

Preaching Dates

Sat 19 October 2019

Jonathan Groves in Malawi with the Kerusso Trust teaching at Learn2Serve level 4 in Malosa near Zomba, Malawi

Saturday 19 - Monday 21 October 2019

Peter Trotter at church planting and evangelism event in Carand, Romania

20 October 2019

Ian Barr (am) at Johnstone Baptist Church

John Bingham (am) at Maryhill Evangelical Church, Glasgow

Glen Cartwright (am) at Fusion, Newton Mearns Baptist Church

Andrew Chalkley (am) at Campbeltown Community Church

Elizabeth De Silva (am) at South Beach Baptist Church, Saltcoats

Gordon Dickey (am) at Kelso Baptist Church

Sylvia Jones (am) at Chaplaincy Centre at Borders General Hospital.

Richard MacPhee (am) at Uddingston Baptist Church

Dawn Martindale (am) at Rosyth Baptist Church

Charles Sommerville (am) at Cumbernauld Baptist Church

Andrew Swanson (am) at Mansfield Trinity Church of Scotland, Kilwinning

Charles Sommerville (pm) at North Berwick Baptist Church morning and evening

Jonathan Groves (am + pm) at Preaching and Kerusso Trust presentations at Banchory Christian Fellowship Church

John Locke (am + pm) at Denny Baptist Church

Andrea Mill (am + pm) at Islay Baptist Church

George Thomson (am + pm) at Larkhall Baptist Church

Tuesday 22 October 2019

Hazel Brooks (pm) at Airdrie Ebenezer Church

Wednesday 23 October 2019

Charles Sommerville (pm) at Shettleston Baptist Church



“A place has been prepared”

By George Sprott

“I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you to myself; that where I am, there you may be also”.

No doubt we are all familiar with these words which Jesus spoke to his disciples. They were a promise made to his followers at that time, and they are still a promise for all who believe in him today. Of course, the Lord was not speaking about a building project, adding on extra rooms, or making housekeeping arrangements to prepare for visitors.

The work he did to prepare a place for us was done at the cross; work that involved becoming a curse for us (Gal. 3:13); being forsaken of God for us (Matt. 27:46); and laying down his very life for us (John 10:11). It was redemption work, the shedding of his blood as our sin-bearer. That work of Jesus made possible our forgiveness and rebirth as new creations who will one day be with him in glory.

Notice also our Lord's promise is in two parts: the place prepared for us has already been accomplished - and at such a cost - that He cannot fail to fulfil the last part of his promise, to come again for us.

And God's word tells us that the hope we have in the Lord's promise can be like a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls. It enters “inside the veil”, where Jesus, our forerunner, has already gone. He awaits us there, in a place prepared for us, where we will live with him forever. What a day that will be! So let's comfort and encourage one another with these thoughts.

*The beams of Thy appearing,
will signal your return for me.*

*Good Shepherd, lift me to your pierced side,
and bear me home with Thee.*