



Living out the Gospel

This year we've had some amazing times looking through God's Word – we've delved into the Presence of God, Prophecy, Prayer and Praise and Worship. Then we've thought about how we can become more like Jesus. Finally we've looked at the life of David to consider what it means to be a 'man after God's own heart'.

But all this needs to translate into real life, as individuals and as the fellowship of God's people at All Saints. So for the next 3 months we're going to be focusing on two key very practical issues. First God's Earth and how we care for it. The Bible tells us that God has placed us on Earth to tend it and take care of it. But how can we do that to honour the Creation Mandate in the face of so many environmental challenges? So we'll be spending four weeks thinking about Caring for God's Eareth, with a combination of biblical teaching and practical help and advice on how we can life more sustainably.

Then from November we'll be focusing on one of the Apostle Paul's most practical letters – *Philippians*. What does it mean to live out the Gospel together as God's people in the 21st Century? As we delve into Paul's letter we'll discover that a 2000 letter has practical advice for <u>us which</u> is bang up to date.

Sunday mornings at All Saints - 8.00 and 10.30



- Nov 17 Philippians 1 Living out the Gospel
- Nov 24 Philippians 2 Imitating Christ
- Dec 1 Philippians 3 Pressing on towards the Goal (plus Christingle at 4.00pm)
- Dec 8 Philippians 4 Rejoicing in everything (followed by the All Saints Christmas Lunch





Why does this matter to Christians?





God wants us to care for the Earth ...

- because he cares desperately about the Earth
- because he cares desperately about us



'In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters." Genesis 1.1-2

'God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth."" Genesis 1,28

'God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good.'

Genesis 1.31a

'Then the Lord God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to cultivate it and keep it.'

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'abad' - means to labour or work or serve 'Then the Lord God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to cultivate it and keep it.'

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'shamar' - means to look after, care, observe



Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God — this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Romans 12.1-2



Climate Stewards helps you to offset unavoidable carbon emissions by supporting community forestry, water filter and cookstove projects in the developing world.





Our projects

Uganda



In Uganda we partner with A Rocha Uganda to supply biosand water filters to communities around Kampala. As well as providing clean water to each family, each filter saves approximately 1 tonne of CO₂ per year.

Nepal



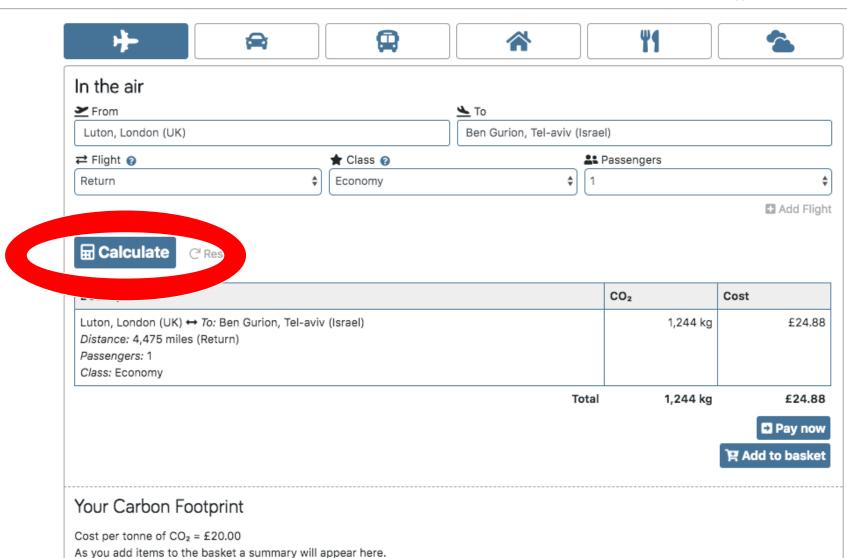
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Kenya



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Ghana



In Ghana we continue to partner with A Rocha Ghana to run environmental clubs at the schools where we planted over 30,000 trees between 2007 and 2018. Students study in these new, local forests.

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Mexico



In Mexico, our partner Scolel'te works with smallholder farmers whos are paid to create, restore and preserve indigenous forests through agroforestry. This project creates new habitat, protects watersheds and helps build resilient local communities.

