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Reaching our Goal



Tina Stevens
KYB UK President

One month into the new year and I wonder how many people have kept up their new year resolutions.

It amazes me what some people take on in their lives from aiming to lose weight, get fitter or even run a marathon! Someone I know has done several Iron Man challenges involving a 1.4 mile swim followed by a 112 mile bike ride and finishing with a 26.2 mile run, all of which must be completed within 17 hours! I feel exhausted just thinking about it!

Some run for charity like Kevin Sinfield who completed 7 Ultra Marathons recently to raise money and awareness of MND. Others for personal fulfilment. Whatever the reason, they do a vast amount of training for months to prepare themselves for their challenges. They must be dedicated and intentional if they are to succeed. Bad weather or the pull of going out with their mates don't put them off. They are totally focused.

The Bible tells us that we should **'... train like athletes who compete for a prize...'** (1 Corinthians 9:24)

Much of our training is quite straightforward. We need to read God's Word and do what it says.

Are we dedicated and intentional about it or do we 'fit it in' amongst our other tasks of the day?

I have found that when I sit down to read my Bible, my mind starts to fill with what I need to do or who I need to ring. Having a notepad nearby is very helpful to jot those things down. Setting aside a time of the day and sticking to it is also very helpful, or using a reading plan can also keep us focused on our goal to become more like Jesus.

Prayer is also an important part of our training. Jesus himself took time out to go to a quiet place and pray. If he needed to do that, how much more do we? Someone has said that prayer is the Christians' breath. If you stop breathing, you die! How is your prayer life? Do we rush into God's presence, make a few requests before carrying on with your normal day? Prayer is so much more than telling God what we need or bringing others needs to him. It is about building a relationship and taking time in his presence to listen

for his voice. We can be so busy, even with our Christian service, that we don't take time to be quiet before him. Sitting quietly before God can seem strange at first, it takes effort and is well worth it. We have many examples of prayers in the Bible including the Lord's prayer. Paul tells us to 'Cast all your care on God for he cares about you' 1 Peter 5:7. Just like an athlete's training, it takes time to pray and listen to God. It needs dedication and determination. Making prayer a habit, even when we don't feel like it, means we will be prepared when things get tough, like the athlete who trains every day to reach their goal, even in bad weather!

Like the first disciples in Acts, we need the encouragement and support of other believers as we meet together. Olympians often talk about hearing the roar of the crowd spurring them on as they enter the arena. Hebrews tells us '...not to neglect meeting together as is the habit of some.' Meeting together with other believers to worship the Lord is a real blessing and can lift our spirits as we face another week. Hearing God's Word being preached and singing his praises strengthens our spiritual muscles. We can be encouraged and be an encouragement to others as we share what the Lord has done in our lives that week. When things are tough, we can be that arm around the shoulder praying for one another.

Athletes are supported by their trainers who set them targets and stand on the sidelines watching them, telling them how to improve and pointing out errors. We have a coach who is not on the sidelines but who lives within us. We are the temple of the Holy Spirit who is a support, guide and comforter as well as many other things.

In Acts 1, as Jesus was taken back into heaven, he told the disciples to stay in Jerusalem and '*... wait for the gift -- of the Holy Spirit.*' The Holy Spirit is like the wind in John 3:8 '*The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit.*' God has given us the Holy Spirit as our helper (coach). He knows God's heart and ours. He intercedes for us when we don't know what to pray. So often we are thrown off balance and race around trying to live our lives in our own strength, rather than relying on the helper, the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

Paul tells us in **1Corinthians 9:25** '*Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever.*'

We may not make or keep to our New Year's resolutions but let's keep up our spiritual fitness!

(John chapters 14-16 says more about the Spirit's work in our lives.)

A Joy, a Privilege and a Responsibility!



The role of a KYB Area Team Chairman

'Now lift up your eyes and look from the place where you are...' Genesis 13:14a

It has been a joy, a privilege and a responsibility to be the Bristol Chairman for the last 6 years.

It is a joy to work with the wonderful Bristol Team - which has seen quite a few changes over the last few years as people have retired or stepped down, and others have stepped up! The Lord faithfully brings just the right people together, and we always have a blessed time when we meet (on Zoom!)

It is a privilege to serve alongside such committed women, who love to study God's Word and help to bring others into a closer relationship with Him.

It is a responsibility as I endeavour to always do the right thing for the ministry, whether that is with people's kind donations and personal data, the plans for events and covid precautions, ensuring KYB guidelines are followed, and decisions such as taking meetings and Bible studies online during lockdown.

In Genesis when Abraham and Lot parted from each other, it appeared that Lot had chosen the better land, but God told Abraham, '...lift up your eyes and look from the place where you are ...' and this has been a theme throughout my tenure.

When the previous Chairman stepped down, there was not an immediate successor. I prayed and sought counsel from wise KYB leaders, and then put myself forward. The joy, privilege and responsibility began! Each Chair brings their own personality and skills to the role. I brought more structure and formality to our team meetings and moved our area events from evenings to mornings to reflect the ladies' preferences to travel during the day. I am quite happy to stand at the front at events to host, but I know not everyone feels comfortable doing that. As a Chair, you can always delegate a task!

Each time a valued member decides to step down, it is a concern how their role will be filled. At first it may seem almost impossible, but the Lord always provides.

I plan to step down this year as there are increasing demands on my time from work and family.

Now let us, 'Lift up our eyes and look from the place where we are ...' - where might God be calling each of us to serve within KYB?

Jane Brittan
Chairman of the Bristol Area Team



Courage to Step Out!



Do you have KYB conferences in your area? Here in the Torbay area we have two KYB days each year. A large team isn't needed to plan these, in fact we have had just four members recently, but there are always ladies who are keen to lend a hand.

In the springtime we hold a Reflective Day and ask a local leader to prepare a short talk on a biblical theme and provide some helpful questions for use during our times of reflection. We set the hall up with chairs and tables, cafe style, and provide refreshments. Ladies are asked to bring their own lunch. This event has always been hugely popular and the quiet break from the busyness of life is really appreciated. We end the day with a time of feedback and prayer, first at our tables then altogether, sharing how God has spoken to us.

In the autumn we hold a day conference. There is an excellent list of KYB speakers available. We ask someone to lead a time of worship and again ladies provide their own lunch. Once the hall, speaker and worship leader are booked and refreshments planned, we decide who will introduce each session. Sometimes we ask the local Christian Bookshop to bring items for sale. There can be time for book

reviews, national and local KYB news and testimonies. Great conversations can be had over coffee and lunch, and new relationships forged. Having a few ladies as welcomers and one or two to be available throughout the day to pray with people, is very helpful.

We have flyers printed which are distributed to local churches. When I first took the publicity role over, our kind NLT folk gave me brilliant advice and encouragement which got me started. So take heart if this task sounds daunting, there is help available.

If there aren't any KYB conferences in your area, perhaps your group could organise one. It is a great opportunity to introduce and promote KYB Bible studies while encouraging and challenging ladies in their Christian faith. It is always a joy to meet fellow believers from around the Bay on these occasions. Scripture tells us to share the good news of Jesus and to spur one another on to meet for study, prayer and praise. Is God calling you to be bold and step out in faith? If so, then the NLT would love to hear from you and help you discern the way forward.

**Jill Opie, Torquay KYB Team
Publicity & Promotion**

Don't Look Back!



Genesis 19:26 recounts the moment Lot's wife turned into a pillar of salt as she looked back towards Sodom and Gomorrah despite an angel's stern warning.

Numbers 11:4 describes a disagreeable rabble of Israelites dissatisfied with God's provision of manna in the desert, wishing they had meat to eat – along with fish, cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions and garlic! The children of Israel, recently freed from slavery in Egypt and heading towards a land of blessing and promise, grumbled, moaned and wished they were back in Egypt.

The Apostle Paul knew the importance of not looking back.

In Philippians 3:12 Paul writes '... I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: forgetting what is behind and straining towards what is ahead, I press on towards the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenwards in Christ Jesus.'

Since his Damascus Road experience, Paul's priority is solely to know Jesus Christ.

Everything else is worthless. His goal and life's purpose is knowing Christ.

Paul knew that God had grasped hold of him to restore their broken relationship. Paul's purpose and passion in life was to know God better and this was exactly what God

wanted for Paul. Their goals are the same.

There is effort involved in grasping and taking hold of something – you might have to chase it down and swim against a tide, it requires effort, discipline, sacrifice and focus. In seeking to know Christ better, Paul is single-minded, pressing on, straining towards what is ahead, he has the prize in mind. He is visualising the moment when he stands face to face with Jesus.

In order to grasp Christ, Paul has to let go of his past mistakes. He had ruined many lives before Christ had taken hold of him. He could not pursue his goal weighed down by guilt and shame. Sometimes we hold on to the past more than we hold on to Christ. Living our Christian lives looking back, cripples us and stops us from moving forward.

Maybe we wish we had done things differently. Perhaps we long for how things used to be. We regret words and actions, or others' words and actions.

We need to be reminded that straining towards the goal is not about 'being' and 'doing' but about 'knowing'. Our goal is knowing Christ. Perhaps for some, this might mean doing less! Some of us like to be busy – if that's you, why not set yourself a challenge – spend less time organising things for God and more time being with God.

Finally, v12 says, 'I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me' – God has saved you and taken hold of you for a purpose; he will not let you go. He has a wonderful future of blessing and promise ahead. Keep going. Don't look back!

**Rachel Bell, Helston Chairman
West Cornwall Area Team**





Sylvia's Faithful Journey with KYB

I first met Sylvia Organ in 1999 when she played for the choir I was in. We became friends and she told me how the Lord was leading her to start a KYB group. Her personal journey with KYB had started a long time before.

In her own words:

"My story starts in 1978 when I heard a talk by a nurse who had done some of her training here in Bristol. Her name was Jean Raddon, and she gave a humorous but compelling talk about reaching isolated women in Australia's outback, encouraging them to come together and learn to study the Bible. I was hugely impressed with the enthusiasm which she and her friend showed for finding out what God was saying and doing in people's lives now. I thought, "This is exactly what I need"; to meet with other like-minded people to read, study and ask questions about how God is talking to us now. God led me along a complicated route until, eventually, I found Elizabeth who agreed to join me and lead the group. That was in September 1999."

Over the intervening years many ladies have joined, some passing through, others staying for a long time. We have both enjoyed the fellowship and learning from God's Word.

Sadly, Sylvia has now had to withdraw from the group due to ill health but her desire is that the ladies continue walking with God, and have a hunger for all He wants to tell them.

Elizabeth Clark
Bristol Area Team,
KYB studies & encourager

Vision Statement

1. To bring women to a personal knowledge of Jesus Christ as Saviour.
2. To deepen and enrich the spiritual lives of women.
3. To equip women for life's challenges so they might be a positive influence in their homes, work and communities.
4. To enable them to play a more effective role in their own churches and in all their service for the Lord.

KYB Newslink Team

Tina Stevens, Sandra Gilbert, Nicky Dixon & Kate Kernaghan

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25 years of Devotion

Recently the West Cornwall KYB Team went out for a meal together to say farewell to Sue Edgeler who was retiring from the team after twenty-five years. Sue isn't disappearing from the KYB scene, she remains on the National Leadership Team, leading a group and as Distributer of the KYB books for the Southwest, we will still see her at our events.

Thinking about her retirement caused me to remember how this journey began. I know it was not with our team but when Sue started attending KYB Conferences in Plymouth before moving to Pool and attending the Helston Conference. I remember her well from those days when she was shy, not putting herself forward and hesitant to do anything 'at the front', but when talking to her, always very keen on KYB. What a joy it was when the day came and she felt she could step out of her comfort zone. Did she



feel capable? I don't think so, but she was willing to be used by God. It was a small beginning but led to being on and then Chair of our local team, Chair of Southwest Regional Team, on the National Team and distributing KYB Books.

God asks each of us to not remain where we feel comfortable, but to step out trusting HIM, knowing he can do with us more than we can ever imagine. I am so thankful that Sue did not stay where she felt comfortable.



Food and Fellowship

Every Monday during term time I have two KYB groups. I don't lead both of the groups, but as we are studying the same book, I am able to take over if the other leader is unable to come. The groups were together on zoom during the pandemic, some remaining on zoom and the rest becoming an in-person group. However, we miss meeting together and having fellowship, so at the end of each term we have a coffee morning or a meal together. Before Christmas we made our plans, everyone agreeing to bring something for our meal

together. What a spread we had, an amazing meal filled with different flavours and colours catering for our various dietary needs. Was the food the highlight? I don't think so, but in a way it was the facilitator, allowing the ladies to sit eating and chatting. As a leader watching everyone, it was such a thrill to see the joy on their faces as they greeted one another, and to hear the ripples of conversation and laughter as they mingled was wonderful and I think a tonic for everyone.

Sandra Gilbert, Helston KYB

KYB RESIDENTIAL CONFERENCE

MAY 16-18 2025

THE HAYES, DERBYSHIRE

Urgent: Could we all please register our interest in going to The Hayes by the end of this April, so we can be sure that we have booked enough rooms? Thank you! (Tina & Nicky's contact details are on page 7)



You'll find excellent Bible teaching and fellowship in a beautiful location. Costs are kept to a minimum, but our rooms and food as well as the expenses of our excellent speaker, Tricia Marnham, will total around £250.

The Hayes, like everyone else, has had to increase their prices, but please, don't be put off coming because of the cost - The Hayes has a bursary scheme which can help, but it needs to be applied for a few months in advance.

There'll be a booking form in the Autumn Newslink. Payment will be £125 with the booking form, and the final payment by the end of April 2025, so let's start saving!!



Introducing Tricia Marnham Speaker for our KYB National Conference 2025

Brought up in Northern Ireland, Tricia has worked in the North-East of England, in Brussels and in London. She and her husband, Charles, have two married daughters and five grandchildren. In 2020, they moved to Oxford after 24 years in London where she worked alongside Charles at St Michael's Chester Square, leading the women's work and family life courses. They speak of being 'redeployed not retired' and are greatly enjoying this new season.



Tricia is passionate about what an exciting adventure it is to be a Christian and she loves to show how relevant the Bible is to everyday situations.

PRAYER DIARY

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It's all about hope. Against a backdrop of the dark days we live in, our God offers hope. We believe he has great things planned for us in KYB in the coming days as he has strategically placed us to share the truth of his unending word. So let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. Hebrews 10:23

DAY 1 *Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.*

Thank God that KYB has reason to offer hope in these days because of the truth of God's Word.

Pray for the right people to fill positions locally and nationally: National Studies Distributor & Treasurers in various local teams.

DAY 2 *Romans 12:12 Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.*

Thank God for the work that goes on despite difficulties.

Pray for the International Board and for Sandra as President.

Pray for the work in Europe.

DAY 3 *Jeremiah 29:11 For I know the plans I have for you declares the Lord. Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.*

Thank God for the unity of the NLT.

Pray for them to have vision and be obedient taking the work forward.

Pray for the NLT meetings in March, for wisdom, clarity and forward planning.

DAY 4 *Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.*

Thank God for area teams and new local groups as they establish.

Pray for the provision of new people to take the ministry forward across the nation.

Pray for the relevance of our online ministry via website and Facebook, and new ways to promote KYB.

DAY 5 *1 Eph 1:18 I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you*

Thank God for the faithfulness of the trustees, and pray for a new chairman.

Thank God for the undergirding prayers of the intercessors, and the answers to prayer we've seen in recent days.

Pray for willingness of others to join the trustees or intercessors.

DAY 6 *1 Peter 1:13 Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming.*

Thank God for the hope-filled plans to encourage groups across the nation.

Pray for the encouragement of any groups, or individuals who need extra support.

DAY 7 *Romans 15:4 ... so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.*

Thank God for all KYB events, that they will extend the borders of KYB.

Pray that KYB week will challenge, encourage and grow the work of KYB across the country.

OUR AUTUMN 'REFLECT & REFRESH' GATHERING IN SURREY

Having enjoyed our first half-day 'R&R' event in Spring, Woking KYB Group hosted another in October. Again, we gathered at Kate's lovely home in the village of West End, but because of a change in the weather, we remained indoors this time.

We were delighted to welcome eight guests to join eight of our group members, to explore our theme: 'What a Friend we have in Jesus.' This unfolded during the morning with welcoming refreshments, introductions, a friendly quiz and worship. Three Bible readings gave us opportunity to explore Jesus' deep friendship with a family in Bethany - Martha, Mary and Lazarus, with 'pauses for thought' and sharing.

Activities such as planting little pots of snowdrop and crocus bulbs at the kitchen table; having a go at writing a psalm or prayer at the dining room table or chatting in the lounge, gave us lovely moments to mingle and share.

Our indoor picnics were enhanced with mugs of home-made butternut squash soup, sausage rolls, cheese puffs and cupcakes, for which we thank our group members.

With thanks to everyone who came and supported us, we continue to step out for Jesus in Surrey.

Every blessing from Hester, Kate, Sue and our lovely Woking KYB friends.

Hester Clarke, Woking, Surrey

What a friend we have in Jesus; All our sins and griefs to bear!

What a privilege to carry; Everything to God in prayer!

O what peace we often forfeit; O what needless pain we bear

All because we do not carry; Everything to God in prayer



KYB EVENTS CALENDAR

West Cornwall

Saturday 20th April 9.45 - 2.15

'Work In Progress' with speaker Jenny Thompson

Redruth Baptist Church, Cornwall TR15 2SP

Cost: £10

Bring a packed lunch; tea, coffee & cake provided.

Free parking at Trewirgie School, Falmouth Rd

Contact: email kybevents985@gmail.com

Torbay, Devon

Saturday May 11th 10.30 - 2.30

A Reflective Day led by Rose Millard

St Paul's Church, Locarno Ave, Preston TQ3 2DH

Cost: £6 to include tea, coffee & cake

Please bring a packed lunch

Contact: book your place by emailing kybtorquay@gmail.com

or by phoning Mary Walton

Bristol Spring Gathering

May 18th 9.30 for 10am start - 12.30pm

'He Calls Me By Name' led by Esther Carter

Bradley Stoke Evangelical Church, BS32 8BH

Suggested donation £5 (including refreshments)

Contact: Jane Brittan: 07790 884308 / jane.jenkins@ee.co.uk

'Eat Cake, Drink Coffee, Explore Scripture'

Woking

Pray for Hester and the team planning another event this Spring.

Wales

Our 1st KYB on the Move! event

Sandra & Tina encourage KYB groups

Merthyr Tydfil May 14th

Dolgellau May 15th or 16th

West Cornwall

Saturday 28th September 9.45-2.15

Speaker: Lizzie Smallwood

Helston Central Methodist Church

Bring a packed lunch; tea, coffee and cakes provided

Cost: £10

Torquay

19th October 10am-2.30pm

Speaker: Abi Willetts

Upton Vale Baptist Church Hall, Torquay TQ1 3HY

Cost £8, to include tea, coffee and cake

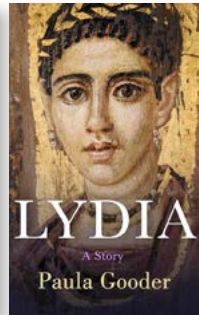
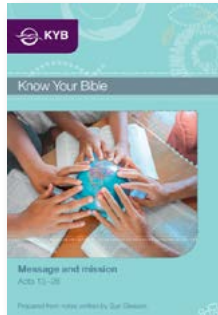
Bring a packed lunch

Joy and Stickability

We recently moved to North Powys following our retirement and I was asked if I would like to join the local KYB group. I thought it would be a lovely way to meet more Christians in the area and that has proved to be the case. It has been a joy to study the Bible together over the last 18 months, from Nehemiah and Jeremiah in the Old Testament to Galatians and Revelation in the New Testament.

The last book we looked at together was Acts 13-28: this has been my favourite so far. It's been good to look at how the early church spread and grew, and the way God worked in the lives of his first missionaries. I remember studying Paul's missionary journeys when I was in school, as I'm sure many of you do, and drawing a map showing where he went. We used very similar maps in our group so that we could follow their journeys around the Roman Province of Asia, into Europe, and finally on to Rome itself.

Life in New Testament times is really quite foreign to us, and several of us found reading Paula Gooder's book, 'Lydia', alongside the study, very useful. It is a story that brings to life what it might have been like to live



then, and the notes in the book help us understand what we are reading more clearly.

We saw how Paul faced trials and persecutions, and how he coped with them as God encouraged him through all the difficulties. I read a comment from Nicky Gumbel recently that said, "Stickability is so important in ministry. It is easy to start off with zeal and enthusiasm, but not everyone has the 'stickability' to endure hard work, difficulties and disappointments and see things through to the end." This sums up Paul's life in a nutshell, and it's something we all need to develop as we grow as Christians.

Sally Saddler
Meifod KYB group,
Mid Wales



Keep them coming!

Thanks to all who contributed to this Newslink issue. It's so good to hear your news and testimonies, witnessing to God in our lives. Keep them coming! A photo of your group or event, or review of a KYB study you've just finished; please send word documents and photos as a separate jpg or png by the end of August. Email them to Nicky or Tina (contact details on page 7).

A Fresh Insight into Nehemiah

Have you studied the book of Nehemiah before? The initial response from our KYB group was: "Yes, I've read it before and I know the story". However, we are really pleased that we thought again, as God gave us a fresh insight into Nehemiah which we found both informative and inspiring. It has provoked lively discussions and the questions are so relevant to much that is happening in the world today. We have learnt such a lot from Nehemiah's example of totally relying on God when problems arise. He was a strong leader who didn't cower in the face of opposition. He prayed first, then acted, trusting God for the outcome.

Here are a few further thoughts from members of our group:

"Studying Nehemiah has helped me to focus, to hang in there and not give up no matter what happens."

"The study of Nehemiah has reminded me of the importance of constant, earnest prayer, of the need to work together with courage and determination and to keep my eyes on God."

"I found the last chapter particularly relevant and challenging, as there had been a slow falling away from what had been such an encouraging situation. But then the people repented and recommitted themselves to God."

Well done Sue Gleeson. Thank you for writing such helpful study material.

Jill Opie, Torquay
KYB group leader



Know Your Bible Studies Development

Romans 1:12 New Living Translation: 'When we get together, I want to encourage you in your faith, but I also want to be encouraged by yours.'



As I write this, January is coming to an end. I am preparing to contact KYB groups who do not have the support of an area team, and will be offering to put them in touch with other nearby groups. The National Leadership Team are praying that as we link groups together, they will be able to encourage one another as we all seek to know God's Word better. I will be able to share more about this with you in our next edition of Newslink. I am praying that this contact with the KYB groups will give me many opportunities to get out and about to meet with some of our wonderful groups!

Another exciting event recently has been the publication of our new study, 'Finding Treasure: Christ in the Old Testament'. One of my KYB groups has just started this study and we have already had our eyes opened as to how the whole Bible points to Christ. I'm sure we are going to be greatly blessed and encouraged as we explore this topic more.

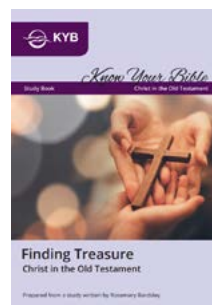
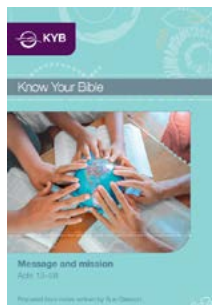
Sue Hoyles, Bristol KYB Studies Development Officer

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KYB verse for the year

Matthew 24:35: “Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away”

In a time when people are worried and anxious about our world as we know it, Jesus has already spoken to reassure us that God’s Word is eternal. He says we can expect heaven and earth to pass away, (Rev 6:14) BUT (and don’t you just love the buts in the Bible?) that his Word will not. This gives us such security and stability for these times.

In the original Greek the implication is that the universe, planet, climate is likely to disappear or perish, BUT God has a plan (Rev 21:4) and his words, his calculations, his reasoning and his purposes will surpass everything else and prove to be true.

We see nations in turmoil, strange changes in climate patterns, BUT we can be absolutely sure God is not taken by surprise or phased by events. Luke 1:37 ‘No word from God will ever fail’ or Isaiah 55:11 ‘No word of mine will be unfulfilled.’ Jesus himself said, ‘I am the Alpha & Omega,’ and he ultimately is the final word.

As women who love and seek to live the word of God, we can have absolute confidence, in these days, that to share its truth can bring comfort, peace, hope and blessed assurance to anyone trying to make sense of what is happening in our world.

Lesley Searle, KYB Prayer Coordinator

KYB Week June 9-15 2024

After the awesome response to last year’s KYB week, we hope groups will join us in praying for, celebrating and inviting others to get a taste of Know Your Bible. This year’s theme will be growth and flourishing, inspired by Psalm 1 verse 3. More information will be emailed to groups, and on the website in early May. Please send in photos and news of your celebration.

Online KYB groups

For anyone without a KYB group, there is an online group meeting on Friday mornings and another every Monday afternoon. If you would like to join either of them, contact the office: admin@knowyourbible.org.uk

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