



Extending Mercy

*"If your brother or sister sins against you, rebuke them; and if they repent, forgive them."
Luke 17:3*

Reflecting on how she forgave Manasseh, the man who killed her husband and some of her children in the Rwandan genocide, Beata said, "My forgiving is based on what Jesus did. He took the punishment for every evil act throughout all time. His cross is the place we find victory—the only place!" Manasseh had written to Beata from prison more than once, begging her—and God—for forgiveness as he detailed the regular nightmares that plagued him. At first she could extend no mercy, saying she hated him for killing her family. But then "Jesus intruded into her thoughts," and with God's help, some two years later, she forgave him.

In this, Beata followed Jesus' instruction to His disciples to forgive those who repent. He said that even if they "sin against you seven times in a day and seven times come back to you saying 'I repent,' you must forgive them" (Luke 17:4). But to forgive can be extremely difficult, as we see by the disciples' reaction: "Increase our faith!" (v. 5).

Beata's faith increased as she wrestled in prayer over her inability to forgive. If, like her, we're struggling to forgive, we can ask God through His Holy Spirit to help us to do so. As our faith increases, He helps us to forgive.

By: Amy Boucher Pye - Taken from odb.org



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Announcements / News

- **Upcoming dates:**

Ordination of Elders: 1st May // Baptism: 8th May

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- **Church Re-opening: Plans for April and May.** The first 2 services in April will be live and the last two will be pre-recorded. In May the first three Sabbaths will be live and the last two pre-recorded. The limit for the number who can attend the live services is 50 persons. If you wish to attend the services please contact Audrey Balderstone (abalderstone@btconnect.com) or Roger Murphy (rt.murphy@hotmail.com) who will assist to accommodate you.

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- **We are sorry to announce** the death of Pastor Ron Davey this week. Pastor Davey worked for the SEC up until the 1990's when he retired. Let us keep his wife, Iris, and family in our prayers at this time.



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- **ADRA** As we will not be able to collect door to door for ADRA again this year, Audrey Balderstone has come up with a fund raising idea. She plans to give a donation to ADRA for the birthday of each of her friends and relatives during the year. She is also asking for donations to ADRA instead of birthday presents to her. If you would like to swell the fund for ADRA you could donate in honour of a

friend or family member - or as a 'thank you' present for God's blessings. **To donate please go to Audrey's Just Giving' page:**

<https://justgiving.com/fundraising/Audrey-Balderstone1>

Cradle Roll Programme April 2nd edition Sabbath at 9:45am on [Youtube](#) and [Facebook](#).

SOS mix for sale – contact Pat Walton if you would like to purchase some. All proceeds to the Church Development Fund. Contact Pat on 07788311097 or 01923 672500.

Women's ministry: Please join us for the women's ministry programme tomorrow afternoon, 17th of April from 3-5pm. Looking forward to seeing you. Zoom details - ID - 2509665133 Passcode - 243467

- **The church board have** met to replace Luca Zagara and Lynette Allcock as elders up until the end of this year. They are recommending to the church the names of Dave Burgess and Bernell Bussue. *This is the first reading*
If there are any concerns with the names please contact the pastoral team in the first instance.
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Remembering Maria today, Anna Papaioannou's mother, who died one year ago. A beautiful, sweet mother and a woman of God!

Remembering My Mother

My Mother Seems So Far Away From Me

On That Beautiful White Shore Across The Sea.

*Yet I remember love's soft glow upon her face
And the feel of her touch and tender embrace.*

*When I am weary from the burdens I've borne,
And the path is unclear and I feel so forlorn,
I remember her loving support was always near
And her advice made the path ahead seem clear.*

*When I feel there is no one who seems to care,
Or when the heartache seems too hard to bear,
I remember how she always stood by my side
And would tenderly wipe away the tears I cried.*

When there are moments of great joy and pride

*And I wish my Mother was standing at my side,
I remember she saw more than I thought I could be,
And know I owe my triumphs to her belief in me.*

*When I reminisce about the things she used to say
And I miss her and think she is so far away,
I remember what she gave lives on through me,
And one day I'll see her on the shore across the sea.'*

Anna Papaioannou

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Even when we can't be together, your giving matters.

You should set each giving, then, as you have decided, not with regret or with a sense of duty, for God loves the one who gives gladly, and loves to be able to give you more than you need so that you will always have all you need for yourselves, and more than enough for every good cause. 2 Corin. 9:1-5

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