



## Seeing with New Eyes

*"[Don't look] to your own interests but each of you to the interests of . . . others." Philipians 2:4*

A video game, one that's become a cultural phenomenon, places a hundred players on a virtual island to compete until one player remains. Whenever a player eliminates you from the contest, you can continue to watch through that player's vantage point. As one journalist notes, "When you step into another player's shoes and inhabit their point of view, the emotional register . . . shifts from self-preservation to . . . communal solidarity. . . . You begin to feel invested in the stranger who, not too long ago, did you in."

Transformation happens whenever we open ourselves to see another's experience, looking beyond our own vision and encountering another's pain, fear, or hopes. When we follow Jesus' example and "do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit" and instead "in humility value others above [our]selves," then we notice things we would have missed otherwise (Philipians 2:3). Our concerns broaden. We ask different questions. Rather than being preoccupied with only our own needs or angst, we become invested in others' well-being. Rather than looking to "[our] own interests," we become committed "to the interests of . . . others" (v. 4). Rather than protecting what we assume we need to thrive, we joyfully pursue whatever helps others flourish.

With this transformed vision, we gain compassion for others. We discover new ways to love our family. We may even make a friend out of an enemy!

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## Announcements / News

- Upcoming dates:**  
**Ordination of Elders: 1st May // Baptism: 8th May**
  
- 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](mailto:abalderstone@btconnect.com)) or Roger Murphy ([rt.murphy@hotmail.com](mailto:rt.murphy@hotmail.com)) who will assist to accommodate you.
  
- Lockdown News April** [Read here](#)

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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>

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□ **Cradle Roll Programme April 3rd edition** Sabbath at 9:45am on [Youtube](#) and [Facebook](#).

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□ **Women's Ministry:** There is no programme this weekend, the next women's ministry programme will be on the 1st of May 2021. Looking forward to seeing you then.

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- **The family prayer basket has gone to Jacqueline Dean and her family.**  
*"We pray that God's Name will be forever praised for His Kindness and Love to us. We pray that we will cherish Jesus more and more in our lives and trust Him for everything. We pray for reconciliation and healing for each one of our family and friends, that His leading and love in our lives will enable us to fulfil God's best plans for us. For Jacqueline, Duncan, Sophie, Ellie, Robert, Rebecca, Marcus and Mateo"*

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- **Terry Menkens** is stepping down from the board of elders from immediate effect due to ill health. We wish to thank Terry for his valuable and effective years of service, and we are praying for his swift recovery.

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- **Post Recommendations**  
Elders being recommended to replace Lynette Allcock and Luca Zagara until the end of 2021: Dave Burgess, Bernel Bussue. *This is the second reading*  
**Membership Transfer**



Mr Joseph Ngondo from Nottingham Central Church to SPC. *This is the first reading*



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