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Theme: WHOLE LIFE WORSHIP **#4 Worship Inspires Our Everyday Speech**

Simon Writes 4th March 2018

I have just read a historical novel which I thoroughly enjoyed and so I thought I'd use this space to share my enthusiasm! It is called War & Turpentine (a translation from the original Dutch Oorlog & Terpentijn) by the Flemish writer Stefan Hertmans.

If you are interested in the First World War and the effect it had on the local Belgium population, then this is a book to read. If you also are intrigued by the French-Dutch language issue, you will discover what a major part it played in the war disaster. If you like to read about painters and their art, I recommend this book. And if you want a tragic love story, then this book provides that too!

'Shortly before his death at the age of 90, Stefan Hertmans' grandfather gave him a set of notebooks. As Stefan began to read about Urbain – so quiet & reserved in life – he learned of his grandfather's heroics in the First World War, the loss of his great love, and his later years spent seeking solace in art & painting. Gradually, a portrait emerged of the grandfather he had never fully known. War & Turpentine lovingly reconstructs a man's interior life, at once so deeply personal and yet so evocative of many of his generation, affected by the long shadow of war.'

This book spoke to me. My grandfather was in the First World War and returned a remote & distant figure. Living in Belgium I have become fascinated by the effect of the war on this country. A book that is as well written as this one is worth the read! The New York Times described it as 'a masterly book about memory, art, love & war.'

Our Services Today

9am Holy Communion @
Church Centre.
10.30am Morning Worship
Luke 6: 43-45
James 5: 13-20

Next Week 11th March
9.00am & 10.30am @ BSB.

Memory Verse

1 Corinthians 13v13

And now these three
remain: faith, hope and love.
But the greatest of these is
love

Collect Lent 3 Eternal God,
give us insight to discern
your will for us, to give up
what harms us, and to seek
the perfection we are
promised in Jesus Christ our
Lord. **Amen.**

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

.....our distribution of Bibles that the Word of God may be alive for those who receive them.

.....the follow up for those who responded during The Turning mission outreach in Brussels. Pray for protection for all who took steps towards Jesus Christ and that they would want to continue & walk closely with him.

.....Sam & Sara Hargreaves as they come to lead our Whole Life Worship weekend, next weekend!

.....all mourn the death of Billy Graham, giving thanks for his evangelistic zeal and desire to share the message of Jesus Christ to the many millions who would listen. Please pray for faithful & godly evangelists to minister to our age & time.

.....our own frontline (the situations this week we will find ourselves in, as we live & speak for Christ).

St Paul's Annual General Meeting

this year will be held after our 10.30am morning service on Sunday April 22nd. If you feel you're a member of this Church please join the Electoral Roll. You can then vote at the meeting! We are looking for a new Church Warden.

Taize Service @ St Jan's Church
7.30pm Wed 7th March. All Welcome.

Lent collection. All our basket collections through the period of Lent will be going towards the Bishop Robert's Lent Appeal aiding the plight of unaccompanied child migrants in the Calais area. Please give generously to this vital work.

Save the Date! Sam and Sara Hargreaves from Engage Worship will be coming to St Paul's to lead a Worship Workshop on Saturday 10th Mar 12-5.30pm. This worship workshop is open to any who may be thinking of getting involved in either team (worship and/or sound), or indeed anyone who is just keen to learn more about worship in general?

Join us for a sponsored cycle ride in Nairobi, Kenya from: 7th – 15th July. In addition to the ride you will have the opportunity to:

- Collaborate with local cycling clubs & churches
- Teach children in the slums to ride a bike and make simple repairs
- Experience AE's impact through slum projects
- Tour independently

To get more information or to join the team please contact: Lynn Nwagbara at lnwagbara@aeint.org. Donations can be sent to African Enterprise Europe vzw account: BE71 3101 6614 9669 with the communication 'maternity clinic'.
www.africanenterprise.com

Second-hand clothes for babies and children up to 5 years old are urgently required by Alternatives, an organisation which supports mothers in need in Brussels. Please contact Elaine Lambert at lambert@telenet.be if you can help.

Volunteer Management Workshop.

Open to all who manage teams involving volunteers. Tuesday evenings 17th and 24th April 8-10pm St. Paul's Church Centre, Please see Ann Start for more information.

Lifestream 2018 Summer Festival, Herentals, Belgium. July 29th – Aug 3rd
www.life-stream.eu

VBS Save the date. 20-24th August 2018.