**Glen Waverley Mission Team - Meeting Notes 25-5-20**

***What personal experiences stand out to me from these past 6 weeks (feelings, thoughts, occurrences)?***

Mark - life is slower, more family time, focused on the house, online shopping, online meetings tiring

Anne C - friends and relatives phoning, wanting to talk, men are sharing more, seeing people online, people with fear, getting outdoors and stopping to talk, poetry sharing online, getting to know each other more deeply, lack of goals to be working toward, slower pace has been good

Neil - coped fairly well, office at home, mental health discipline, naturally quiet person, family concerns, learning new things, couldnt go out

Anne N - I had so few worries compared with others, concerned

Ryan - still working, living alone and touch-starved, work procedures have changed

***What church experiences stand out to you?***

Ryan - ministers praying on Youtube - how does it become more than one-sided + sense of community?

Anne C - thanks to ministry team, keeping in contact with neighbours, advantage of watching the service when it suits you, focus on wildlife

Mark - kids activities positive, involved in recording, texting "the peace", cooking lunch while watching church, back into more of a routine of reading the lectionary each week

Neil - impressed with level of willingness of lay members to step up and do things including invovlement of children, daily emails from church - great feedback, changed notice board to a message of hope, hearts on the lawn and to local shops,

Anne N - felt that the church was more outward-looking than usual

***What have you noticed about the Glen Waverley community?***

Anne N - the migrant community began their lockdown earlier

Neil - people now take a very wide circle when walking around you, people wearing masks in the street, car parks empty, shopping restrictions, council cleaning teams

Anne C - neighbours talking while gardening, at the park, neighbours have also withdrawn a bit

Mark - people out in the local park. H**Agenda - 10/6/20**aven't been to GW since March

***Where have you experienced God in these times?***

***How has this time stretched or challenged your faith?***

Ryan - seeing how institutions adapt

Mark - we're all very lucky, making extra donations (social justice), viruses are part of nature, community and connection - will that be different going forward

Anne N - what do bad things happen disproportionately,

Neil - what have I got to say to my congregation? putting a personal perspective on sermons - what do I hear God saying?

***What has been of help for your faith at this time?***

***Luke 10***

Neil - verse 7 - has been going to the same coffee shop, building relationship

Anne C - work where you are and where you're accepted, pay more attention, better get to know the people where you are

Mark - world of the Internet and cyber-celebrities, following and moving on, trying stuff out

Anne N - verse 4 - you just have to be yourself with what you carry inside

Ryan C - ex[ectation that there'll be growth, 10-12 resistance: new virus on the block

**Mission Project - what are you wondering about?**

Neil - how do we work with social distancing?

Mark - what is the good of having a building? online delivery

Anne N - we need connection, face to face, touch vs fear of illness

Anne C - moving beyond local boundaries, the whole world is asking where is God leading us, learnibng from each other

Dev - in what way has the Kingdom of God come near during this time?