**Cheltenham-Mentone Mission Team 29-5-20**

Jay, Greg, Nancie, Graeme, Craig, Jo-anne, David, Jenny, Fiona

**Q1 - Personal**

Fiona - **anxiety** for self, family and others, lots of "what ifs", isolation, feeling useless, couldn't get out there, family moved in, pregnant daughter

Jenny - enjoyed being home, still going to work, gardening, sewing, bike riding,

missed connections with family and friends, Zoom catchups

Grant - not a great deal has changed, fear for workers with lost jobs or hours, miss f2f contact with family and friends

David - its been dead easy, good not to have to go out, garden etc, all we can do is the next right thing, concern for others, closing or closer? community

Jo-anne - initial frustration, then settled down, relearnt to cook and sew, each day I contact someone (39 so far)

Nancie - lives alone, isolation the biggest thing, normally a busy life, tired of talking on the phone, needed face to face, walked with a friend local streets, become an expert on the local community, has been good to slow down a bit

Graeme - initial isolation and fear, not quite the same now, 3 very close people have passed away

Greg - positive isolation, more walking, isolation from family and friends,

**Q2 - Church Experiences**

Greg - Preaching Zoom service different

Graeme - remaining connected through phone and online

Nancie - great (worship online) but makes you lazy

Fiona - Zoom has been brilliant, hopw it will continue, people calling each other, online newsletter brilliant

David - as a musician working harder than ever, getting immense pleasure from it

Jo-anne - maintaining routine, getting dressed up

Jenny - Zoom is great, seeing everybody, worshipping together, missed the singing, newsletter fantastic, but miss community

**Q3 - Wider community**

Nancie - public transport works, shopping centres, most shops closed, ghost town, anything we thought we needed to do will have changed, people speak on the streets, younger people make a path for you to walk

Jenny - saying hello to people in the street and they reply

Jo-anne - neighbours reaching out - barter system, asking "how are you going?", bike riding

David - alarming increase in alcolhol purchase and use, racism by others, blme of hoax, an opportunity for church

Fiona - people making an effort to supoort local shops, families walking together more, more talking amongst neighbours

Grant - has the community discovered importance of menial jobs?

**Q4 - Faith experience**

Jo-anne - strengthened, felt that God was here helping us, praying more, being guided more

David - business as usual

Nancie - had to dig deep and sit quietly and talk to God, felt God was the only person you can talk too, drawing on the Bible

Fiona - God has a hand in all of this, there are going to be some amazing developments, Sacred Space website

Greg - found writings helpful, more time to reflect

Graeme - have tried to build hope, reaching out to our neighbours