



News from the Warren's in Malta

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News & Prayer Update

Welcome to the latest news update from the Warren's in Malta.

We do apologise for the delay in getting this out to you. We had intended to write this for February but we've had a really great start to the year and have been really busy. Things are moving in preparation for the opening of the school and so have we - been moving again, that is!

We moved house a few weeks ago and are in a penthouse in the main tourist part of Malta - ***Please see our new address details on the back page.*** Now we have the view that we always wanted - overlooking St Paul's Island, Gozo and Comino. We are located literally two minutes from the sea and two to three minutes from our church and all the local shops. We still have a twin room available for visitors and would love to see you this year.

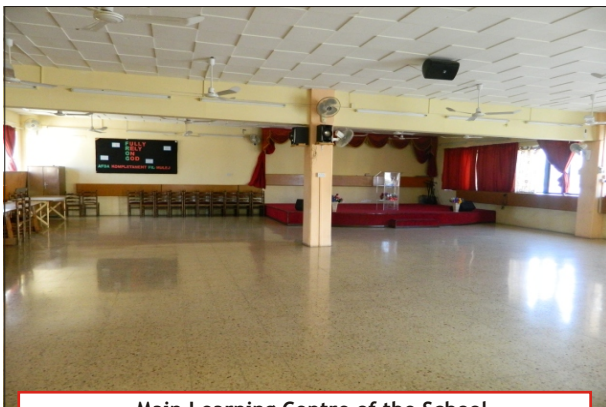


Our View of St Paul's Island, Comino and Gozo

Accelerated Christian Academy

We are making steady but sure progress with the setting up of the Christian School. After attending a training session at Swindon in January, we are now beginning to understand the day-to-day running of a school. Our Pastor, Vince Fenech is a great help to us as he was involved in the school before. We now have keys to the building which will enable us to do some minor repairs to the student workstations and re-decoration throughout. The roof-top games area is in need of a major overhaul to make it safe for students to play basketball or football, this involves the erection of wire netting to the perimeter.

There has already been some interest from some local people asking for more information about the school and curriculum. We are seeing God working through this and are really excited as things begin to fall in place. We are expecting to open the school in September ready for the new school year and realise that this will soon be upon us, so we need to be ready.



Main Learning Centre of the School

We are planning to travel to Swindon again in May for another training session which will last for five days. We would value your prayers for this as there will be a lot of information for us to take in over the week. Please pray for our school, especially the students and teachers/helpers that we'll need, also for the provision of all the equipment and curriculum resources. Please feel free to contact us if there's any practical help you can offer.



Plenty Of Work To Do - Peter Tidying the Games Area



One Of The Small Learning Centres

Family News

During this time of training and setting up the school, **Peter** is continuing to teach English at a local language school and has begun an English class in the church to teach our foreign church members and locals. This has been going so well that he has had to add an additional class. On top of this are the normal church activities of preaching/teaching every Sunday and leading worship in the week as well.

Last time we asked you to pray about a better job for **Debbie**, she has now started a new job at a call centre for a leading global bank. She has a one hour journey to work every day by bus and although it is very different from any previous work she has done, she is enjoying the challenge. Debbie has made many new friends and is excited about this new opportunity.

Jo continues coaching young boys in football but has moved up a year, taking the under nines, which she seems to prefer as they speak better English than the younger ones and she can communicate easier with them.

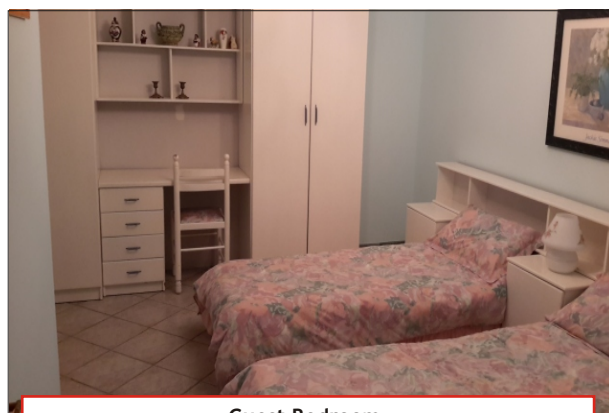
We are looking forward to some warmer and drier weather as we have had an unusually cold, wet winter. We even had a few flakes of snow on New Year's Eve, which has not happened for fifty years! With our house move we can now see the beach and even in the cooler weather the blue sea still looks very tempting.

B&B Project

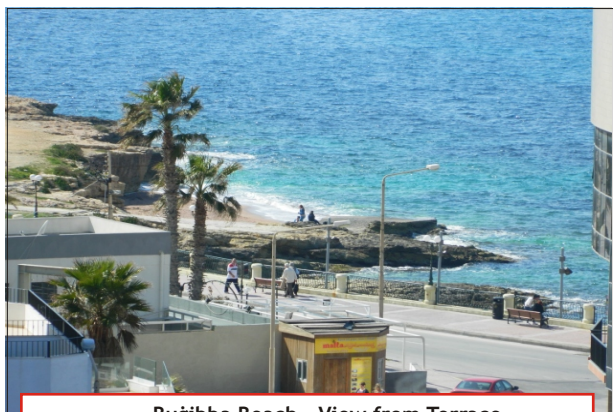
As already mentioned, we still have a room available for guests to come and stay in our B&B project.

We are right in the heart of Qawra / Bugibba, just minutes away from the promenade, beach and bus terminus with wonderful views of St Paul's Bay and islands including our neighbours Comino and Gozo.

Accommodation in our air-conditioned, double-glazed penthouse consists of a twin, en-suite bedroom with tea/coffee making facilities. We supply a continental style breakfast with cereals, fresh seasonal fruit, toast and jams etc. For other meals or snacks there are plenty of places to eat nearby, from fast food outlets to restaurants serving freshly caught local fish or traditional Maltese dishes. Guests are also welcome to use our modern fully equipped kitchen if they prefer to cook for themselves.



Guest Bedroom



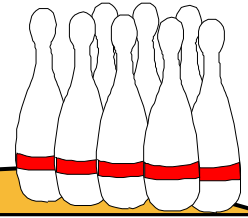
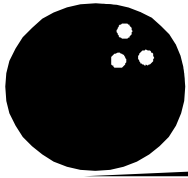
Bugibba Beach - View from Terrace

During the warmer months you are most welcome to use our private jacuzzi on the front terrace, or soak up the sun on our large roof terrace. There is also a pool table inside which can be used. We are very relaxed here and hope that you have a pleasant and enjoyable holiday.

E-mail us for prices and availability, and we look forward to seeing you.

An Easter Message:

The Greatest Victory



A.W. Tozer once wrote, "Nothing deforms and twists the soul more than a low or unworthy conception of God". Many people will say that they love God with all of their hearts and all of their beings and yet find it very difficult to believe the things that He says.

How many times have you heard preached from John's Gospel that God loves you so much that He was willing to die for you, to take your place so that you might not perish but have everlasting life. That's true - He did. We embrace that and receive from God the forgiveness of our sins and everlasting life. We believe it and accept it and receive it.

If we believe that God loves us that much that He would leave the splendour and glory of Heaven to come as a man and die, so that we don't have to. How can we then believe that this same God would want to see us struggling with life, sick and riddled with diseases or broke and in desperate need. How can we say with one breath that God is all love and then say that God wants us sick, broke and suffering. It just doesn't add up - any parent that truly loves their children would not want to see their child suffer or be in need, and if any those things should happen we would immediately go to them and help relieve the suffering and pain. Is God any different? How low can our conception of God get - Tozer said: that type of attitude deforms and twists the soul.

We believe that Jesus died to save us, but do we really understand what that means? Too many people for too long have understood that to only mean we have forgiveness of sins. That's right but it is just a part of what salvation is. The Greek word for salvation is 'soteria' and in its fulness encompasses deliverance, preservation, soundness, health, prosperity, happiness and general well-being. The word is used in both a material, temporal sense and in a spiritual, eternal sense. Salvation is something that we can enjoy in the present now and in the eternal future. The word has its origins from the Greek word 'sozo' meaning to save, heal, preserve and make whole.

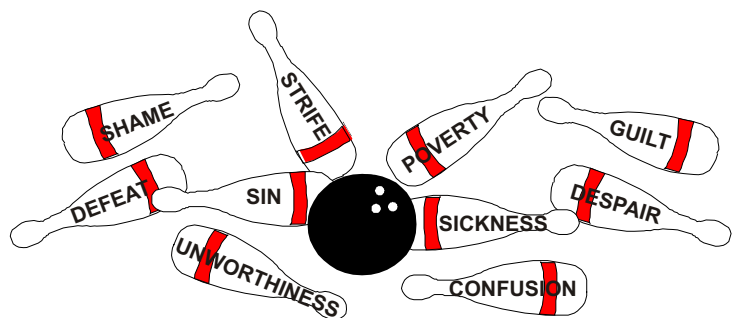
When we say that Jesus is our Saviour, we are

actually saying that Jesus is our healer, our preserver, our deliverer from the curse of sin and from poverty. He's our provider, the One who gives us soundness of mind, the bringer of peace and happiness. I think that encompasses just about everything that we face in life, don't you?

A few years ago we took Debbie ten pin bowling on her birthday - the object of each round of the game is to knock down as many skittles as possible. If you manage to knock all ten skittles down with just one ball you score a strike. None of us are experts and over the twenty rounds we played we managed to get about two or three strikes between the four of us.

If we use the analogy of the skittles, when Jesus died on the cross He scored a perfect strike. He knocked out every skittle of poverty, every skittle of sickness and disease, every skittle of confusion and strife. He won the greatest victory ever - so that you can enjoy the fulness of your salvation, your *soteria*.

Don't say that God wants you sick or broke in order to teach you a lesson, that's a slur on His nature. He knocked out sickness so that you can enjoy fulness of health, He took poverty and lack so that you can live well and be a blessing to others. The devil wants you to believe that there



are some skittles still standing, but Jesus scored a strike. Get into God's word - if you can find a promise of blessing, healing, or deliverance for some situation you are facing, you can count on it that God will bring it to pass for you. Get rid of that low conception of God and start believing that He will do whatever He says He will do for you. Enter into the fulness of your salvation and enjoy the full benefits of that greatest victory ever.

Church & Ministry News



Peter preaching at our church in Qawra

We had a really good trip to UK last November and made some more contacts. It was great to meet up with family and friends old and new. We shared at a number of churches and groups on the visit for which we were grateful.

On the journey home from our meeting at Highbridge in the West Country we stopped off at the Christian Education offices in Swindon. From that 'off-chance' visit to their offices, our vision towards the school began picking up momentum and immediately on returning to Malta we began to set things in motion ready for a September opening.

As already mentioned we have another training session to attend at Swindon in May.

We continue to minister at our church in Qawra every week, leading worship time on Sunday and Wednesday evenings and teaching every week. The messages from each teaching series are available for download from our website, along with any study notes.

Peter and Debbie joined with Pastor Johny, from London, in Gozo at the end of January, where we were privileged to lead a young man to the Lord, pray with others for the Holy Spirit and teach a session of the Alpha course.

Our church is being blessed with visitors every week and new locals have also recently joined us. There is plenty to do both in ministry and practically. At the time of writing the Bible study and Sunday School area is being redecorated after some gypsum was replaced on the walls.



Christmas Party at our House

Some of you have asked how you can support us with a financial gift. The easiest ways to get gifts to us are:

- **Direct to our UK bank account** either over the counter or by telephone/internet banking. Please drop us a quick email if you use this service so we can check safe arrival.
Account details:
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Sort code: **40-47-04** Account#: **51433210**
Account name: **P D Warren**
- **Or through our website:** www.voice-faith.com Follow the link to 'sowing into the ministry' where you will see a donation button. By using this facility your gift can be made by debit /credit card or online Paypal account.

PLEASE PRAY FOR US

- that God will supply all our necessary living expenses..
- that God will continue to bless the B&B project by sending us Christian workers and their families who need a break.
- for the needs of the ACA Christian School, specially for those students and teachers that will join us.
- Pray that our contact with the locals will bring them into a relationship with the Lord.



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