



The Campaigners - 1922 - 2022



on message

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Who do you say I am?

How do you find out about a person that you meet for the first time?

You would probably begin by asking a few key questions along the lines of what's your name, where are you from and what do you do? These key facts are basic in defining who we are as individuals and a start in establishing what makes us tick.

In Matthew 16 we read that Jesus asked his disciples, "who do you say I am?" to which Peter responds, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God." As Campaigners we have steadfastly shared the message about this man from Galilee, the Saviour of the World, the Son of the Living God, who can and has changed the hearts and lives of Campaigner members for a hundred years. We have thousands of stories of young people who bear testimony to this promise and the difference having a living Faith in the Living God can make. Like Peter, the rock and foundation of the church, our prayer going forward into the next 100 years must be to be more resolute, even more dynamic in our mission call to go out into the world and make disciples. If we are to truly live up to our 'Campaigner' name, then this is our calling - this is our purpose because this is who we are. Our one hundred years Celebration has to be a time where we re-commit ourselves to the cause. Looking 'Unto Him' with a resolve to support the church and sometimes to be church, to thousands more young people in the future.

Jesus promised Peter that upon this rock I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it. And I will give you the keys of the Kingdom of Heaven. As we go to camp in a few weeks time, as we return to our Campaigner groups in September for the new term, as we celebrate on Saturday, October 1st at St Paul's, Slough and as we prayerfully make plans for 2023 and beyond, let us be confident with ourselves that we are ready and willing to continue in our mission challenge.



*At the Name of Jesus, every knee shall bow
Every tongue confess Him, King of Glory now.*

Tim Greenhalgh



for your prayers this month

I will build my church

Matthew 16: 18

- Give thanks for the 41 young people and leaders who have now booked in to our Viney Hill Camp week starting on July 30th. Pray for safety, protection, enjoyment, peaceful nights, great friendships and, above all, for the effectiveness of the Christian teaching.
- *Pray for the camp team that they will have the stamina, wisdom and team spirit to lead and make this year's camp memorable for all the right reasons. The leaders on camp are: myself, Tim Greenhalgh (CO), Paul Martin (First Aid), Joy Howell (Junos & CrossTrax Chaplain), Steve Jacob (Delta Chaplain), Maureen Cottrell, Toni Pointer (Adj), Julie Witchalls (Adj), John Kingston, Susie Jacob, Sheila Armstrong and Doff Alexander.*
- Pray for the preparations being made for the 100 years Celebration at St Pauls, Slough on Saturday 1st October. Pray that this would be a fitting tribute to the work of so many committed Campaigner leaders over the years and a time to give thanks for all the blessings we have witnessed. Pray too for the huge opportunity this occasion will be to springboard the calling and ministry of The Campaigners into the next 100 years.
- *Give thanks for the faithful team of Trustees who were reappointed at the recent Campaigner AGM. Your trustees are Joy Howell (Chairperson & Safeguarding recruiter), myself, Tim as Secretary, Laurence Witchalls (Treasurer & Vice Chair) Doff Alexander, Sheila Armstrong, Iris Challis (Safeguarding Lead) Maureen Cottrell and Julie Witchalls.*
- I will build my church and the powers of hell will not conquer it. We are aware that there are powers of darkness out there that could cause us to lose heart or to water down our ministry. We ask that as we seek to play our part in building God's Kingdom, that you pray for protection from anything that would hinder the work we are committed to.
- *If you would like to pray for the leaders and young people by name during camp week, please let me know I will send you a list of the campers and programme.*
- On Message will take a break in August and return in September
- Finally, please pray for my wife Ros and myself as we move home from Welford to Ross on Wye during the week before camp!



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