



## Wesley's Blog

Ever wondered about the abbreviation ASAP? Generally we think of it in terms of even more hurry and stress in our lives, but maybe if we think of this abbreviation in a different manner, we will begin to find a new way to deal with those rough days along the way.

There's work to do, deadlines to meet,  
You've got no time to spare.  
But as you hurry and scurry  
ASAP - Always Say A Prayer

In the midst of family chaos,  
'Quality time' is rare  
Do your best, let God do the rest  
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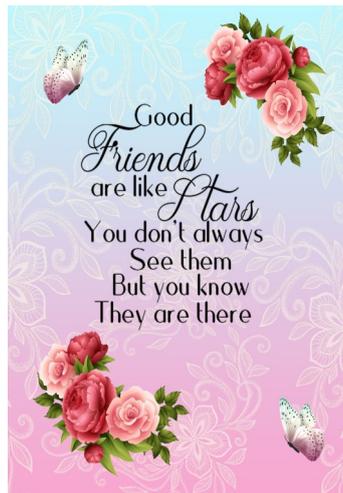
It may seem like your worries  
Are more than you can bear.  
Slow down and take a breather  
ASAP - Always Say A Prayer

God knows how stressful life is  
He wants to ease our cares  
And He'll respond to all your needs  
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Wesley has had some busy Zoom services recently. First he said goodbye to Rev Tim Boocock as he left to become superintendent in Darlington. He also said goodbye to Rev Godfrey Nicholson as he 'sits down' and moves to retirement. Last Sunday he welcomed Rev Pete Braiser and Deacon Guy Austin-Bride and their families, who have joined us. We wish everyone happiness in the new stage of their journey.

'Thank God for stubble fields!' The clergyman was smiling as he said these words and of course he meant exactly what he said. A field of stubble may not be as beautiful as a field of waving, golden grain, but it tells us the harvest has been safely brought in and we can all share the farmer's relief and pride in a job well done. Let's think of these words as we catch sight of the bare fields this autumn.

Dear Lord,  
As I stand before You, in Your grace, don't let me do or say anything that might hurt someone today. Help me to remember that You love me and forgive all my deeds, no matter how unkind they might be. Teach me as I am Your disciple, and help me remember Your teaching so I can pass it down to others with blessings and thankfulness. Amen.



Four students walked in halfway through the history test at the local college. 'Sorry', they said, 'we had a flat tyre.' An understanding man, the tutor said that if they could all answer just one question correctly, he would give them each an 'A' for the exam. The students agreed. So the tutor handed each one a piece of paper, placed them in four different corners and said, 'Write down which tyre was flat.'

A little girl and her father were walking along in the evening. She was fascinated by the stars and kept looking up at them, but made no comment until her father asked what she was thinking. She replied, 'If the bottom side of heaven is so beautiful, how wonderful the other side must be.'

**Little Pests**  
When asked by the teacher why he was scratching his head, Fred replied that he had lice or, as he preferred to call them, arithmetic bugs, for they added to his misery, subtracted from his pleasure, divided his attention and multiplied.

A kindergarten teacher gave her class a 'show and tell' exercise. Each pupil was instructed to bring an object to share with the class that represented their religion. The first pupil got up in front of the class and said, 'My name is Benjamin. I am Jewish and this is The Star of David.' The second pupil got up and said, 'My name is Mary. I am Catholic and this is a Rosary.' The third pupil got up and said, 'My name is Tommy. I am a Methodist and this is a casserole.'

When, in 1958, Bishop Roger Wilson asked for his personal mail to be forwarded, he said his new address would be The Palace, Chichester. The girl asked him, 'Would that be a dance hall or a cinema?'