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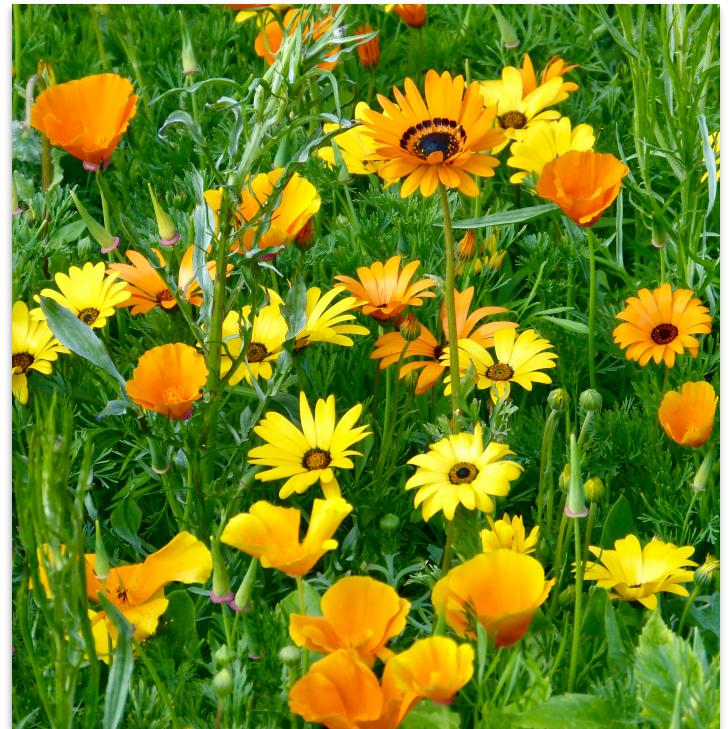
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The Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age"

Matthew 28:18-20

As I write young people will be awaiting their A Level and GCSE results. In some respects, their futures dependent on the grades given to them by the examiners. Speaking to one young person who will be receiving their results this weekend their attitude was very matter of fact. Whatever the results, they were assured a place at University. Maybe not at their first choice, but they would be able to carry on their studies at another institution in the UK.

I found their response refreshing. They are a follower of Jesus and their faith and trust in Him was



evident. I'm in His hands and He knows the best place for me to go. In October I will have been with CIS for 14 years and also turn 60. I know that's hard to believe but it's true! In over 30 years of ministry with children and young people I can honestly say that I, with my wife Jane, have known God's leading, guiding and presence. There have been times of anxiety as we've stepped out and followed His call not knowing what was ahead. But as someone once said,

"We don't know what the future holds, but we know who holds the future."

As we commence a new academic

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year I am reminded of the words of Jesus in His Great Commission to His Disciples at the end of Matthew 28. After the instructions Jesus assures them that He will be with them, in all situations and circumstances. And the same is true for us. Jesus is with us, will be with us, in all that is to come this coming year.

Here are some things to thank God for and to pray for.

Please thank God ...

- ▶ for all those involved in educating the children and young people in the schools in Letchworth and District
- ▶ for the holiday clubs and camps that children and young people were able to access over the Summer, and for all that they would have learnt
- ▶ for all those involved in working with young people and children in our churches
- ▶ for Kevin How who is stepping down as a Trustee after being involved with the ministry of CIS right from the outset
- ▶ for the Trustees who continue to oversee the ministry of CIS; Chris Jenkins (Chair), Crista Haak, Roger Aldridge, Ashley and Chris Croft, Penny Bainbridge and Martin Money (Treasurer)

Please pray for...

- ▶ all pupils and staff as they return to school after the Summer break

- ▶ all young people who received their A level and GCSE results, as they make plans for the future, and particularly those who are going to university for the first time
 - ▶ all pupils, particularly those in Year 7, and staff who have moved on to new schools
 - ▶ those moving on to College, Gap Year or Employment
 - ▶ the Trustees as they meet together on the 13th September
 - ▶ forthcoming assemblies:- **St. Francis College Prep.** 19th and 23rd September and 17th October; **Grange Academy** 21st September and 19th October; **Etonbury Academy** 10th -14th October (6 Year Group Assemblies); **Norton St. Nicholas** 11th October
- Other assemblies still to be booked or confirmed at Pix Brook Academy and Roecroft Lower School*
- ▶ the CIS Annual Celebration at Grange Baptist Church Tuesday 11th October 2022 at 7:30pm
 - ▶ Christopher as he prepares for the new term and all that is to come

Thank you for your continued prayer and practical support

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