

Reading and prayer 6th November 2020

We who are strong ought to put up with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Each of us must please our neighbour for the good purpose of building up the neighbour. For Christ did not please himself; but, as it is written, “The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.” For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 15:1-6

Father God, we thank you that you have set us in communities, which give us friends and neighbours. May we each be for each other that which is needed and helps to build up. Forgive us when we judge harshly, lack patience and do not love each other as you commanded us to do. Let your Word dwell in our hearts that we may be encouraged in our faith, growing more like Jesus, loving, caring, and glorifying you his Father. Amen

