

# TOGETHERNESS



This was a headline a few months ago when our PM said that the world must work together to create a vaccine to protect us from the coronavirus that was sweeping the world.

Hallelujah!!!! We now have exciting news and at last we do have vaccines on the way that will allow us to once again meet together with our families, friends and for worship. One news report commented on the incredible speed these

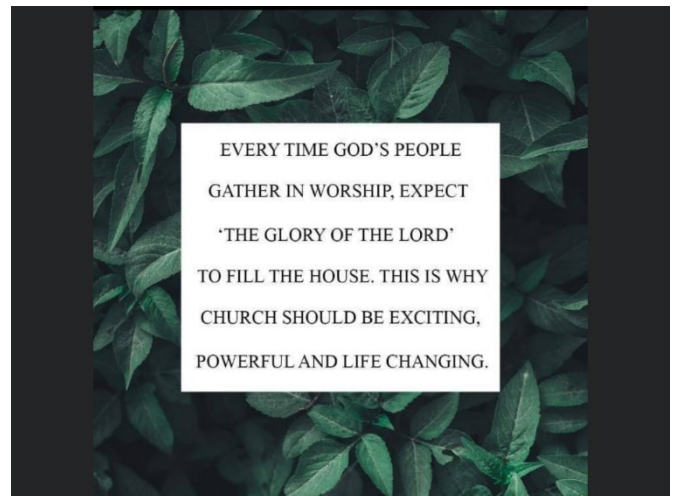
vaccines have been developed and described this as a result of “scientists all over the world working together and sharing ideas”.

It reminded me that as good as we maybe on our own, when we work together we are brilliant.

Majors Steve and Marian have been teaching us about the APEST gifts, where each one of us have God given gifts of Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Shepherd or Teacher. As good as these gifts are individually, when we work together for God’s Kingdom, God will use us in ways we could never envisage, building his church and our Corps at Hadleigh – reaching out to our whole community.

Togetherness is important and when we join together to worship, sing, play our instruments, listen to God’s word and pray, we know that God has promised he will always be with us.

In the prayer course we reflected on Matthew 18 when Jesus said ***“When two of you get together on anything at all on earth and make a prayer of it, my father in heaven goes into action; and when two or three of you are together because of me, you can be sure I’ll be there”.***



We also discussed that even Jesus wanted his disciples by his side when he went to pray in the Garden of Gethsemane (Matthew 26). **“Then Jesus went with them to a garden called Gethsemane and told his disciples, “Stay here while I go over there and pray”. Taking along Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, he plunged into sorry”.**

The last few months have been far from easy. However, God has been with each one of us every step of the way, and I know that we have all been supporting each other in prayer and reaching out via telephone, zoom, facetime etc. However its good to know that very soon in 2021, we can once again be **TOGETHER** 😊.