

LONDON CONVENTION

Saturday 19th October 2019



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*THE multitude saw but the cross of olive-wood
The Man of Sorrows bore, nor knew
how underneath, Close-pressed upon His
heart, a hidden cross He wore, A dark and
bleeding weight of sin and human woe,
Made heavier with the sentence of God's
broken law, And crowned with thorns of
scornful and malicious hate, A cross the
world's Redeemer found on Jordan's brink,
Nor laid it down until He came to Calvary.*

*Ofttimes it seemed He almost craved some
human aid, Some sympathizing heart to
share that cruel cross. Jerusalem, Jerusalem,
hadst thou but known What time that
cross bore heaviest on the yearning heart Of
Him, thy King!--And yet, O, slow of faith
and hard Of heart, "Ye would not,"--and the
King passed on His way;And of the people,
there was none with Him, He trod Alone
the winepress of this dark world's shame
and woe!*

*O, chosen three, had ye but watched with
Him "one hour," That awful night in dark
Gethsemane, ye might Have lightened some
the cruel weight of that dread cross, Have
known and shared with Him that agonizing
woe, Alas! Alas! Your eyes were heavy, and
ye slept. So now, "sleep on and take your
rest," ye weary ones, A holy angel's wing
hath eased the hidden cross, Your Master,
strengthened, waits that other cross to bear!*

*Which cross bore heavier on the way to
Calvary, The cross the cruel Roman soldiers
laid upon That blessed One? Ah! no, it was
the unseen cross That crushed Him to the
earth, that wrung from those pale lips The
agonizing cry, "My God, My God, oh, why
Hast Thou forsaken Me?" In grief Earth
rent her breast, The sun grew dark. 'Tis
finished, and the price is paid, The hidden
cross had pierced that loving, tender heart!*

*"Take up thy cross and follow Me," the
Master said. Ah, yes, His faithful Bride
must also bear a cross, The hidden cross,
made not of life's vicissitudes Alone, its ills
and pain, its loss and poverty, The outward
signs the multitude behold; Ah! no, we
follow in His steps, who went before Us in
the narrow way. We, too, must bear the
woe,*

*Be touched with feeling of the world's
infirmity, Its weary weight of sin and curse
of broken law. Let us, therefore, go forth
to Him, "without the gate," Lay down our
lives in sacrifice, spend and be spent, And,
while we clasp this cross more closely to our
breast, Press on toward Calvary, for there
our Bridegroom waits To take the cross of
woe, and give the Crown of Joy!*

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Theme of the Convention

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10.00-10.20	Morning Worship	Br. Kerry Matthews
10.20-10.30	Chairman's welcome	Br. Jeremy Chandar
10.30-10.45	<i>Break</i>	
10.45-11.20	Discourse ."Count the Cost" Luke 14: 2	Br. Kerry Matthews
11.20-12.00	Testimony Meeting	Br. Jeremy Chandar
12.00-2.00	<i>Lunch</i>	
2.00-2.20	Business Meeting	Br. Jeremy Chandar
2.20-2.45	Praise <i>(Musician-accordionist Bro. Viktor Caus)</i>	Br. Kerry Matthews
2.45-3.45	Discourse "Solomon's wisdom" 1 Kings 10:1	Br. Jeremy Chandar
3.45-4.00	<i>Break</i>	
4.00-4.30	Closing remarks and Love Feast	Br. Jeremy Chandar

The Laodicean Messenger

The memory of the righteous is blessed – Prov. 10:7 (NKJV)

Charles Taze Russell (16 February 1852 – 31 October 1916). As often said, he could not remember a time from his childhood's first memories onward when he was not consecrated. [PT 1934 p.146]

Paul Samuel L. Johnson (4 October 1873 – 22 October 1950). He taught others well and also helped them to observe the proverb, "He that distinguishes clearly teaches clearly". [PT 1950 p.187]



THE MEETING PLACE

Evreham Adult Learning Centre, Swallow St, Iver SL0 0HS



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