

## **LIFE IN THE SPIRIT PRAYER MEETING 6 MAY 2020**

### **Reflections on last Sunday's Gospel John 10:1-10**

- We need to listen to Jesus, not other voices that can confuse us
- We need to learn to recognise his voice
- We can trust him to know what we need and to lead us to what is good for us
- He calls us by our name - he knows each of us individually
- He calls and draws us to him - he does not drive us
- He is the gate – we enter into truth through Jesus
- He is our shepherd who brings us back when we go astray
- Just as the shepherds in Israel would lie down in the entrance to the sheepfold to protect the flock from thieves and predators, Jesus guards and defends us against enemies

### **Intercessions. We prayed:**

- For healing of many individuals we know who are currently suffering from coronavirus in hospitals and care homes, and for all others in this situation.
- For healing of members of our prayer group who are ill.
- That all who are fearful about the virus and about their jobs and financial security will receive comfort and support from the Lord.
- That all those who have been trapped in foreign countries will be able to make their way home.
- That the Lord will give strength to all those who are caring for the sick and for people with special needs.
- That people will open their hearts to see that God loves them and is with them in this crisis
- That we will be messengers of hope and good news to those we come into contact with.

### **We gave thanks for:**

- An increase in numbers for Carol's WhatsApp parish group
- The simple childlike trust that we are sheep who can follow Jesus where he leads and do not need to be anxious
- For a miraculous supply of fish to poor people in the Philippines

***And we thank God that 20 people were able to participate in our meeting this week.***