

PLEASE HELP YOURSELVES

By Bill Pugh



A notice written on a cardboard box placed at our front gate.

An invitation for passersby to help themselves to grape fruit which covered our tree at the back.

Ripening, waiting to be picked.

A strong wind blew at night and in the morning many covered our lawn nearby.

After we had picked them up in several buckets, we had many to give away.

I went up and down to our neighbours, but still there were many left over.

We filled the cardboard box and invited passersby to help themselves.

And we did it several times and each morning we filled the box again.

We had no idea who took them but certainly our abundance was welcomed by passersby.

Fresh and free fruit shared with our wider community.

Reflection:

We are aware of our stewardship and giving for our local needs as a church. Sometimes we are challenged to go further. To act outside the box. Mission has no borders.

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