

## **Thought for the Day – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

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### **Bruce Dyer – Songs of Praise 8<sup>th</sup> of August**

Songs of praise on the 8<sup>th</sup> of August was really good. We visited a church being built up in a night club in Bradford as a Fresh Expression in the Church of England – it is called Fountains Church.

In Shipley there was a school uniform bank, care of the Salvation Army, meeting many needs.

And there was Bruce Dyer – he was the first million pound teenager when he moved from Watford to Crystal Palace. He played in the Premiership and for many clubs including York and Barnsley.

He was brought up in a deeply Christian home, and came back to faith through the witness of his brother who had been through hard times.

In 2018 he remembered Jeremiah's purchase of some barren land and went out and purchased a sports field, convinced he was being led by God.

He now runs the Salt and Light football academy – reaching out to many youngsters.

He says that his life is the message. (He also runs the Salt and Light church.)

Back in Fountains church we met Dougal the support dog – he goes to whoever needs a cuddle on the Keys of Freedom course.

Let us give thanks for all that is being done in the name of Jesus.