

# *2022 Prayer Writing Competition*

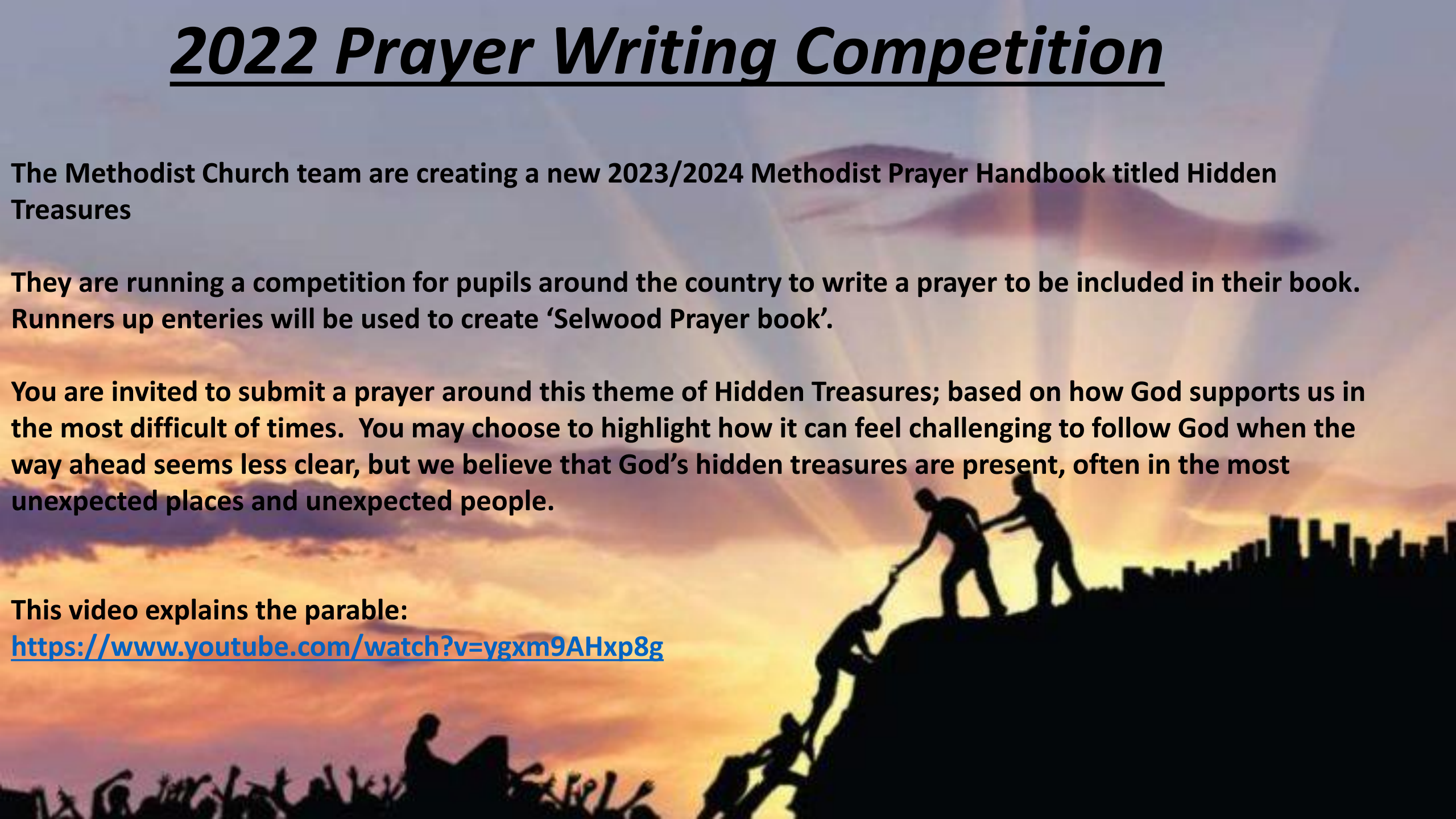
The Methodist Church team are creating a new 2023/2024 Methodist Prayer Handbook titled Hidden Treasures

They are running a competition for pupils around the country to write a prayer to be included in their book. Runners up entries will be used to create 'Selwood Prayer book'.

You are invited to submit a prayer around this theme of Hidden Treasures; based on how God supports us in the most difficult of times. You may choose to highlight how it can feel challenging to follow God when the way ahead seems less clear, but we believe that God's hidden treasures are present, often in the most unexpected places and unexpected people.

This video explains the parable:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ygxm9AHxp8g>



## Rules

Please feel free to craft a prayer that is creative, or poetic in style and includes reflection.

You are welcome to focus on a topic of particular interest to you or one that is currently of a concern to you e.g. caring for the environment or praying for people with specific needs.

Please start your prayer with 'Dear Lord' or 'Dear God' and end with 'Amen'.

Prayers should not exceed 120 words.

Excellent written prayers will also be made into a Selwood Prayer book.

Deadline for the prayers to be in school is January 5<sup>th</sup> 2023.

All pupils that submit a prayer into school and it goes into our school prayer book will earn 4 achievement points.

Pupils that have their prayer included in the Methodist Church book will earn 8 achievement points!

Please hand in your entries to Mrs Hooper in B2.

Good Luck!

