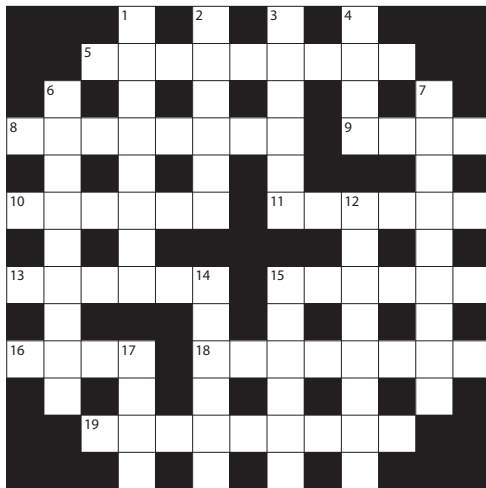


PUZZLES

Congratulations to Mr Christopher Ignatius [Kit] McLoughlin, of Rivonia, South Africa, winner of our 14 August crossword competition. His was the first correct entry drawn at random. He will be receiving copy of the hardback *Oxford Dictionary and Thesaurus* (second edition, RRP £30).

CROSSWORD No. 225

Compiled by Axe



Across

- 5 Light service, mostly, on this Feast day (9)
- 8 Book of chants translated save Adam (8)
- 9 A hard mariner is Jezebel's man (4)
- 10 Pacific missionary one's seen in the market (6)
- 11 Kind of nirvana, popping drugs into port (6)
- 13 Many follow Zebedee's extremes, being fervent (6)
- 15 Valley Josiah destroyed, and numbers captured by him (6)
- 16 Southern Kingdom border town as featured in George Baker piece (4)
- 18 Celibate stay is unfulfilled after old Anglesey (8)
- 19 Decapolis city-types dissolute ranees gallivants around (9)

Down

- 1 Irishman touring African state is Paul's tutor (8)
- 2 Commercial opening for the December programme (6)
- 3 Jewish Exodus celebration around the Sabbath is a pleasing thing (6)
- 4 A tin find west of Galilean town (4)
- 6 Defeated by David, is Zerah dead? (9)
- 7 Where the Thessalonians lived, one area to the south, a spice chap ... (9)
- 12 ... gains due recognition for masses of divine lamb! (5,3)
- 14 Rice of a sort the Chinese family put down in a Judah town ... (6)
- 15 ... the family upliftingly showed the way to one who wrote in Hanoverian times (6)
- 17 4's overthrown, by the sound of it, an ancestor of a race of giants (4)

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● The answers to this week's puzzles and the crossword winner's name will appear in the 25 September issue.

Solution to the 14 August crossword

Across: 5 Beethoven; 8 Tantra; 9 Olivet; 10 Ramadan; 12 Rahab; 14 Herod; 15 Mozetta; 17 Kenite; 18 Canaan; 20 Samaritan. **Down:** 1 Lent; 2 Ithamar; 3 Sodom; 4 Celibate; 6 Hadadezer; 7 Sebastian; 11 Adonijah; 13 Joachim; 16 Merab; 19 Noah.

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Solution to the 14 August puzzle

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