

**PRAYER MEETING (Seven:14)**  
**Every Wednesday Evening at 7.14 pm**  
**BOY'S BRIGADE**

**Tuesdays: Anchors 6.00 pm - 7.00pm (In church)**  
**Juniors 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm at Madeley Rest Room (Church Street)**  
**Company Section (11 - 15yrs) Fridays 7-9pm in church**  
**Contact: Wayne Trumpeter - 07824 618061**  
**COFFEE MORNINGS**  
**10.30 am Every Monday and Thursday in Church**

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*'There was a time...'*

*There was a time of waiting in the darkness.  
A time when man waited in the shadows,  
And all creation groaned in sadness.  
There was waiting for Love to speak again--for  
Love to breathe again.  
And kings and nations and empires rose and  
faded in the shadows.  
And Love waited and watched.  
Finally, there came a time when Love spoke  
again.  
A Word from eternity--a Word to a girl named  
Mary.  
And all creation waited in hushed silence for the  
girl's answer. And Mary spoke her yes.  
And Love watched over Mary.  
And so there came a time when Love breathed  
again  
When Love breathed new life into Mary's yes.  
And a new day dawned for the World  
A day when light returned to darkness, when life  
returned to dispel death  
And so a day came when Love became man--a  
mother bore a child.  
And Love watched over Love--a Father watched  
His Son.  
And, lastly, there came a time when you and I  
became a part of time.  
Now is the time that you and I wait.  
And as we wait to celebrate what was at one  
time, we become a part of that time  
A time when a new dawn and a new dream and  
a new creation began for man.  
And as a part of time, Love waits and Love  
watches over us.  
Fr J Breighner (abridged)*

# MBC

**6th December 2009**

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*A warm WELCOME in Jesus' Name to all our services*

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be made rich.  
2 Corinthians 8:9



*2nd Sunday in Advent*

**This morning:**

10.30am Morning Service led by Keith  
6.30pm - Evening Service led by Keith  
7.30pm - Christmas Carols at the Brewery Inn, Coalport - everyone welcome to join in.

**Next Sunday:**

13th Dec **10.30am:** Ministry Sunday  
**6.30pm: Darby Singers Community Choir - Christmas concert at MBC.**

**Notes for the Diary**

16th Dec 7.00pm Carol Singing - in Woodside - meet at the Park Lane Centre. St. Michael's event, STAC invited to join in.  
**18 Dec 6.30pm** Carol Singing - Telford Town Centre - we meet with other churches and the Salvation Army band outside House of Fraser (by the fountain) **WANTED - a few hundred Christians!**  
19 Sat 11.00am Carol singing in Madeley shopping centre (outside Tesco). STAC event.  
20th December 10.30am **ALL AGE Service** (Meena) + Communion  
**6.30pm Carol Service**  
23 Wed 6.00pm Carol Singing in Hills Lane. Meet at church 6.00pm for prayer, Hills lane at 6.30pm. MBC event, STAC invited to join in.  
24th Dec 7.30pm Communion Service led by John and Bron Battye at MBC.  
25th December **10.00am Christmas Day Family Service**  
27th December **10.30am End of Year Service No evening Service**  
31st December **8pm - Social - bring food to share, then at 11.00.p.m. Watchnight Service**  
**Friday 1st January 2010: Communion at 10.00am**



## Our World Neighbourhood Nursery Limited Annual General Meeting and Christmas Play

You are invited to the Annual General Meeting for the Nursery, to be held at **9.30 a.m. on Friday 11 December 2009**, at Madeley Baptist Church. The AGM will be followed by the play "Jesus Christmas Party" at approximately 10.00 a.m. Refreshments will be available. As you are an associate member of the nursery, if you attend the AGM you will be able to vote in the elections for committee members

### UNWANTED MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS?

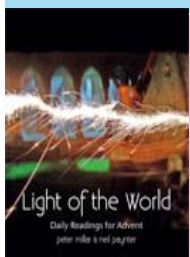
Are there any unwanted musical instruments in your churches, lying there abandoned? If so, you could give them to a Raffa, a Christian charity who will send them to Jamaica and Africa where there is a need. If you have any please call Kenneth Laing on 07930 190450, email [ken@raffa.org.uk](mailto:ken@raffa.org.uk) web site [www.raffa.org.uk](http://www.raffa.org.uk)

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Wear Next Community Shop in Oakengates is looking for Volunteers to help at their shop, especially on Saturdays. Previous retail experience is helpful but not necessary as training will be provided. Travel expenses and lunch (when working a full day) are paid. Please contact June Tranter at Meeting Point House on 01952 291904.

### SOFA SURFERS VARIETY NIGHT 2010

The Salvation Army Oakengates are currently organising its 5th Sofa Surfers Variety Night in aid of The Salvation Army Kip Project, Telford. They are looking for musicians from local churches to take part and would appreciate hearing from anyone interested. In particular those playing string and wind instruments would be most welcome to join with a variety of other artists in taking part free of charge to support this vital work with the homeless in the borough of Telford and Wrekin. The event is to be held at **The Salvation Army Halls in Lion Street, Oakengates on Friday 29th January 2010 at 7pm**. Admission will be by donation ticket (£4 or a family ticket for £6). All those interested are invited to contact Alan on 01952 506 234.



Light of the World by Peter Millar and Neil Paynter. Advent is a special time in the Christian year, traditionally, in the days of Advent there has been an emphasis on the coming of light. May these readings enlarge your hope, and bring you to Christmas morning with Christ's light steadily illuminating your path. Contact [www.ioanabooks.com](http://www.ioanabooks.com), £11.50. 0141 332 6292

### MBC CHRISTMAS DINNER

On Saturday night 28th November, we all got together at the Cuckoo Oak for a Church family Christmas dinner, organised by Ben and Ann Trumpeter. We all had a brilliant time together, and special thanks to Ben and Ann for all the hard work they put in to organise this event. Here are some photos of the night....



Ben, Paul & Howard



Helen & Meena



Edwin, Bette & Jacque



Pearl, Chrissie and Iris

And then, on Sunday morning - we had a baptism service, and here are some photos of that happy event.



Acknowledging Jesus as their Lord and Saviour, Chris Chrawshay-Williams, Angela Hulme and Richard Hulme were baptised on Sunday 29th November. Let's continue to lift these newly baptised Christians up in our prayers for their continued walk with our Lord.

For many more photographs and event dates etc., check out our website - [www.madeleybaptist.org.uk](http://www.madeleybaptist.org.uk)