

PRAYER MEETING (Seven:14):
Every Wednesday Evening at 7.14pm

BOY'S BRIGADE:

Tuesdays: Anchors 6.00pm - 7.00pm (In church): Juniors 6.30pm - 8.00pm at Madeley Rest Room (Church Street) Company Section (11-15yrs) Fridays 7-9pm in church
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Alternate Tuesdays at 10.00am Bible Study
-14 Cottage Farm Close, Madeley.

COFFEE MORNINGS:

10.30am Every Monday and Thursday in church

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'Talking with the Lord'

Rushing through this old life,
Many places we must be.
So very little time we give
To sit and talk with Thee.

Do you stop awhile each day,
To whisper a prayer of praise?
For it was He who gave this day
He's beside you all the way

Talk about the steps you trod
Introduce Him to your friends
For He will guide and keep you
And the loved ones that you send

Tell Him how dear a friend He is
This King who hears our prayers
For the angels bow low at His Feet
But yet, for our souls He cares

I'm so unworthy of His love
"Why does He love me so?"
I thank Him for this love we share
I pray for all I love, He knows!!

Just walk and talk to Him each day
Through all your work and play
He hears and knows your every
thought
My KING, my Friend always!

(Linda Etling_

And finally: We don't always need to know where we are going as long as we know whom we are following. God is in control. Even when we wind up in strange places or unusual circumstances, the Father is not caught by surprise.

MBC

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Welcome to our services today

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable - if anything is excellent or praiseworthy - think about these things. (Phil 4:8)

Services today

10.30am Morning Service (Teaching Sunday & Communion) led by Keith

6.30pm: Discussion evening

Services next Sunday 28th Feb:

10.30am: ALL AGE worship led by Meena

6.30pm: Prayer and Praise evening

Looking forward:

- **22nd Feb @ 7.30pm:** Church Officers' Meeting
- **27th Feb @ 9am** in church, prayer meeting for MBC and our Mission
- **1st March @ 7.30pm: Church Members' Meeting: AGM (part 2)**
- **Lent Meetings:** at Sutton Hill church on Monday evening 22nd February from 7.30.p.m. to 9.00.p.m and at MBC from 10.30.a.m. - 12.00 midday on Friday 26th February. Coffee and tea will be served from 10.00.a.m

Remember, remember - The Care Bears who are ready to **pray** with you - **chat, visit** or even **just give a hug!** They will also seek to arrange **practical help** when they can do so! We still have a **prayer request box** in church and of course **the cross** to attach your notes to! Please approach one of the Care Bears (listed below) if you would like someone to share with!

Marjorie 630113
Steve 881106
Chrissie 07827409452
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Use a post-it note to stick your prayer request to the cross, or write a note and put it in the prayer request box and one or more of the Care Bears will be there for you.

Taken from the 'Baptist News' (BUGB):

There's a lot happening in Baptist Churches around the country!

BAPTIST churches are engaged in a range of mission activities that are connecting with non-church goers and serving their communities in exciting ways, the latest round of mission project grants has revealed.

Initiatives backed by the Baptist Union of Great Britain (BUGB) last month show churches setting up new cafés, youth clubs, toddler groups and major anniversary projects.

Mission project grants - one off grants to encourage and enable Baptist churches to respond to the mission needs of their community as part of their ongoing work and ministry - are awarded four times a year.

The Revd Kathryn Morgan, mission adviser at the BUGB mission department, assessed the latest batch. She told The Baptist Times, 'At the recent grants meeting, the 19 reports from churches that had previously made use of a mission project grant plus the applications for 11 new grants made exciting reading. 'They told stories of churches providing equipment on their church premises in order to start up toddler groups, youth groups, and luncheon clubs for seniors, as well as cafés and community events where Christians will engage with the public. 'All these churches are imaginatively creating crossing places where they can both provide a valuable service to the community and offer a pathway for exploring the Christian faith.'

Recent beneficiaries include Blenheim Baptist in Leeds, which applied for funds to help set up a 'quality cafŽ' in the church, which is situated in one of the Leeds Metropolitan University complexes. Most of the food areas in the campus are busy, and the church wants to offer a 'haven of peace' for students, staff and passers-by in the bustling area, explained minister, the Revd David Humphries. The church served breakfast to 180 students during Fresher's week (The Baptist Times, October 1), and the plan is part of its wider philosophy is to offer 'hospitality and an attractive Christian community'.

Another application will help fund a new venture by Elliot Crippen, who has set up a monthly informal event at Bourton-on-the Water Baptist.

Elliot, son of minister the Revd Richard Crippen, asked the church leadership if he could use the opportunity of his 14th birthday party to springboard a new, 'low cringe' meeting at the church. Word of mouth has enabled the meeting, called 'Elliot's thing!' to grow, and now the church needs appropriate resources to widen its appeal to those aged between 13 and 19.

The Southern Counties Baptist Association has described it as a 'remarkable initiative...aimed at engaging Elliot's peer group in an imaginative and creative way'.

Approximately two per cent of the money given to the Home Mission appeal is allocated for mission project grants, previously known as 'Against the Stream' or 'Green Shoots' grants.

The Hudson Taylors -

10th Anniversary Tour: BRIDGNORTH Baptist Church

Friday 12 March 2010

Tickets: £6:50 (£4:50 for under 18's)

Noel Richards, Brian Houston & Wayne Drain are back in Bridgnorth for a Praise & Worship Concert as part of their 10th Anniversary Tour. And this time they're bringing Tricia Richards as well!

YOU WILL NEED TO BOOK A TICKET as seating is limited so use the Booking Form (go to: www.bridgnorthbaptist.co.uk) You can also download Posters & Handouts.

Please note: tickets are allocated on a first come - first served basis

There is no reserved seating - (no seats are numbered so come early!)

There is no on-site car parking - car parks are available in Listley Street (200 yards away) Doors open at 6:45pm - the event starts at 7:30pm

Representatives from UCB will also be available at this event with information about their programmes and literature such as "The Word for Today"

*You are my God, and I will give you thanks;
You are my God, and I will exalt you.
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
His love endures for ever.*

(Ps 118)

MBC Morning Service
14.2.10



"We need a bigger church!"

I found this prayer on the 'net' and thought it might just about sum up a lot of our thoughts at the moment, regarding our Mission and our plans to expand *'Lord, we place our days before you, hour by hour. We submit our plans, our responsibilities and our commitments to you. We are hopelessly bogged down and we can't find any way out. There are so many things that we feel that we should be doing and so many desires and dreams we are trying to attain. Lord, will you help us prioritise our days? We need your grace to lay at your feet all those things that we deem as 'good things to do.' We believe that you are a practical God and that you offer us practical solutions. Lead us to your solutions and if we are to reach out to godly friends who have found freedom in this area, we say we are willing to seek their guidance and wisdom. We stand in readiness to heed your directives. Give us ears that humbly listen and give us feet that are swift to walk along the paths you have set before us. Amen'*

(Bette)

If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. 2 Ch. 7:14