

14th September 2008

Today's Service

This week, the Moldova Team 2008 lead our service.

**Our Church exists:**

To introduce people to Jesus Christ, equip people with a faith that works in real life and encourage people to make an impact wherever God sends us.

If you would like to visit one of our essential Life Groups where the above takes place then speak to one of the leaders after the service.

**Before Service Prayer Time**

Please feel free to join those who pray before the service at 10:15 am in the coffee lounge.

**After Service Prayer**

The Prayer team are available to pray individually with people after the service, so please go to the back at the end of the service.

**Weekly Prayer Diary**

If you have any important Prayer needs for a particular day and would like them added to the weekly Prayer Diary, please see Paul Stacey.

**Contact Info**

If you have any articles, stories or any other item that you wish to include in Breakthrough, please contact Matt, either by snail-mail, e-mail, telephone, or find him in church.

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featuring: Life message board

Spread the word!  
Tell your Friends!

A very warm welcome to our service today which is when our Life groups come together for worship.

If you're visiting us for the first time, you are invited to fill in a visitors card, which you'll find in the reception area. If you have children under 3, you're invited to take them to our parent & baby room when the other children leave. Please ask someone from the welcome team to show you where this room is. After the service, please feel free to stay behind and join us for a coffee.

*Praise the Lord, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples. For great is his love toward us and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever. Praise the Lord. Psalm 117*

**Life Latest...**



Welcome to our service this morning!

We'd like to wish you a warm welcome to today's service. We'll be hearing about this Summer's projects to Moldova, with various members of the team taking part, so things may be a little different from usual!

We hope you enjoy our time together and learn a little more about our work with our friends in Moldova. There's so much to tell, so we've also produced a report (please pick up a copy), and we've also suggested it would be good to visit Life Groups to

share more, so watch out for that or come and speak to one of the team.

Another event to mention:

**Friends of Agape: Abingdon School, Sat. 11 Oct. 3:00-5:00 pm**

On 11 Oct., we hope to have Nicu and Liuba with us for the third gathering of Friends of Agape, the national network of supporters for Agape and their work in Moldova. If you'd like to go, please speak to Rob and Jo, who are part of the Steering Group for FOA, as we need a few drivers to take the young people over. Details are also in the report.

*Moldova 2008 Team*



An Evening of Worship and Celebration Sep 28<sup>th</sup> 6.30 pm at Crawley Baptist Church

**SOUTH EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION GATWICK CLUSTER**

We are part of SEBA and our region's 10 or so local Baptist churches are holding this event and we are of course all invited to it. In fact it will be embarrassing if no-one from Life goes to it! This is the first meeting of this new cluster of churches. It is good and important to meet with other churches from time to time like this so if you can possibly come *please, please* do. Please speak to Julie if you think you can make it.

After service short special church meeting 21<sup>st</sup> September

As a church we will be voting on the proposal outlined at the last CMM for Wally Fahrer and Ray White to come onto the Leadership Team until the end of March.

A postal vote is available for those who attended the meeting but are not able to be at the service on 21<sup>st</sup> September. Please ask for one from Anna Pisani.

Please be in prayer for these nominations.

Interim Advisory Group

If you would like a copy of the Terms of Reference for the Interim Group please ask Alan to email one or give one to you.

The New Autumn rotas are out today. Please pick one up at the Welcome desk

Youth leaders and assistants meeting: TONIGHT, 8 pm at Rob & Jo's

A quick reminder that all leaders and assistants with the DOGs and FROGs groups are invited to Rob & Jo's (34 Hurst Ave.) this evening. As you may know, the set up is changing a little. We have the basic things sorted, and a plan for the first few weeks of term, so we need to discuss options for the future and how we can all work together effectively to encourage our young people. Please do make it if you can.

**Future Diary Dates**

Sunday 14th September	Wildlife and Youth leaders meeting
Sunday 21st September	Interim Group meeting
Saturday 27th September	Ladies Prayer Breakfast 8-10 at Sue Martin's
Sunday 28th September	SEBA worship and celebration evening 6.30 pm
Sunday 12th October	Harvest Thanksgiving Life Lunch

## SOUTH EASTERN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION GATWICK CLUSTER

You are warmly invited to:

An Evening of Worship and Celebration at Crawley Baptist Church on Sunday 28th September at 6.30 pm

With Norman Tharby and Stuart Davison

This is the first meeting of the new cluster and it would be great to see as many folk as possible from our churches.

## Greetings and Thanks from Toddington

The Carr family want to say a BIG thank you for all of Life's kindness over the last months. Thank you for the wonderful final service and send off - special thanks to the early morning bakers (of scones). Thank you for the generous gift of money which has been very useful during this time of transition and settling in here at Toddington. Also "Shelia" our Australian SATNAV has taken us down some very interesting routes - we've already grown to rely upon her navigational skill - and yes Mr Fry - Scott does try to listen and obey! Thank you too for all the cards and even the flowers that arrived from one family at Life - a few days after the boxes were all being emptied. Gradually we are settling in and the boys too into their new schools - for them it has been really daunting but they seem to be managing admirably. We've even had our first "turn off the M1 guests" from Horsham! A family returning home from Yorkshire decided to drop by for a coffee and their timing was perfect - a real boost to us all.

**IMPORTANT** - please join us on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September - 3 pm for Scott's induction service, caterers are booked in the nearby hall for afterwards and we'd love as many as possible to come and stay for tea - perhaps to have a nose around the lovely village? **BUT** - please speak to Eric **this morning** after the service - as he is taking names and numbers to give to us this afternoon so that we can prepare properly.

We have now finalised out new contact details so please note: 9 Mander Close, Toddington, LU5 6AX. Tel: 01525 876849, Scott's new mobile: 07777679703, emails: [scottcarr@btinternet.com](mailto:scottcarr@btinternet.com), [fliiscarr@btinternet.com](mailto:fliiscarr@btinternet.com), [jpgcarr@btinternet.com](mailto:jpgcarr@btinternet.com) and [simeoncarr@btinternet.com](mailto:simeoncarr@btinternet.com)!

## A new series of Beginners Pilates Classes starts this week at Trafalgar Road Baptist Church on Thursday lunchtimes from 12.30-1.30 pm.

Pilates is a floor based exercise method which offers: improved posture, flexibility and balance; strong toned muscles; relief and recovery from injury.

For more information or to reserve a place contact Frances on 01403 261735, 07973 285913 or [fjfray@btopenworld.com](mailto:fjfray@btopenworld.com)

## "THE STAND"

"THE STAND" is an event being held at the Birmingham NEC on November 8<sup>th</sup>. It is aimed at raising awareness of all types of slavery throughout the world under the banner of Hope for Justice and Stop the Traffik. The evening will not only raise awareness but also challenge and be a time when we can hear God speaking through music and guest speakers such as Baroness Cox. Please contact Alan Cruickshank (H.251618) if you would like information on joining the South East Baptist Association group going to the event (travelling by coach from Brighton/Worthing) - tickets are £45 or £40 if you book before September 15<sup>th</sup>.

## 'Sanctum (re:connect)' - Christian worship done differently

The next Sanctum (re:connect) event will take place on Sunday 28th September from 8 to 9pm at the 'Y Centre' on Albion Way in Horsham. These events provide ideas, space and time to help us explore worshipping God in different ways, but ask Alan Cruickshank if you would like to know more. So that you can put it in your diaries, the following Sanctum (re:connect) will be on Sunday November 30th - and watch out for information on 'Sanctum (:lite)', which will be a shorter, simpler but more frequent version.

## Faith in Action

We'll be meeting to prepare and pack clothes at 76 Hurst Road on

Friday 19th and 26th September 9.30-11.30

Tuesday 23rd and 30th September 7-9 pm

Do please come even if you just want to see what it's all about.

Friends and neighbours are welcome too.

Frances

## Ladies Craft evening

Sue Penberthy and Sue Fahrer are prepared to have an evening teaching us how to make cards and other crafts. It will be a very good opportunity to invite friends. The date is yet to be decided but it will probably be in October. Please be in prayer about who you could invite.

## Horsham Churches Together

The AGM held at the Barn in the causeway, was chaired by Brian White as outgoing moderator of HCT. As is normal for the annual meeting, nominations are received in advance and voted on in the meeting, for the positions of moderator and deputy moderator, as well as fresh faces for the executive group. This year was no exception except that out of 30 member churches with a total congregation/membership of 4,500 people **NOT ONE NOMINATION WAS RECEIVED** for any of the positions. Prayerful consideration must be acknowledged by all members to rectify this situation in the very near future so that God's word can continue to be spread with Love and Joy throughout this district. You are asked to reflect on these positions carefully, and if you feel called, please respond! The New Constitution 2008 was adopted with a unanimous decision. This can be viewed on our website, [www.horshamchurches.co.uk](http://www.horshamchurches.co.uk).

The guest speaker this year, Mike Checkland, gave an excellent talk on the work of the Y Centre, in Albion Way. He thanked the Churches for their initial support in funding the 48 rooms to equip them with furniture and other utilities. All of the rooms are full with a waiting list of over 50. The residents are helped with work experience, and other projects such as Art work, Princes Trust, regular resident meetings and their own newsletter. Through development, Horsham now have closer links with Hove YMCA. The next stages are for two of the offices to be converted into bed & breakfast places for a maximum stay of 28 days. "Night Stop" is to be introduced giving a 3 night accommodation by volunteers in their own homes. The Café will remain closed for the time being, as the franchise is handled by Beeches who cater for conferences and other activities. There is a need for a residents lounge, as they can only congregate in the foyer at the moment.

The young people were entertained with 'Pop and Play school' for 4 weeks during the summer holiday.

The ongoing 'Y' activities in the community need support from all of the Churches with volunteers for fund raising. There are always speakers available to give talks to clubs and churches to give a full awareness of what the 'Y' is doing in our Town. On display at the meeting, were decorated shoe boxes, designed to give to the residents for Christmas. We are asked to take a box and fill with small presents, and a list is provided for ideas. If you would like to take a box, they can be obtained from the 'Y' at any time, or email [loveinabox@horsham.org.uk](mailto:loveinabox@horsham.org.uk) for further information or call Debbie on 01403 213 407.

Richard Webb, Development Officer, updated the work in progress for "Worshipping Together", with the Council wishing us to be involved in Parkfest next year, and offering their continued support of our outdoor events at Easter & Christmas.

"Working Together" is planned to have a centralised charity, called 'Horsham Matters' which Neil Currie had initially set up and offered to HCT. It will be an umbrella for all legal activities where Trustees will be appointed, and volunteers called for. Other work is going on with the Council as some of the proposals for the Western Development need to be addressed. A Youth Club in Broadbridge Heath is starting in September, as a need has been located there, to help young people off the streets.

## Reports from affiliated groups:

The Centre is looking to expand this year with more volunteers needed.

Debt Advice the unseen ministry, have moved out of the premises in South Street, and are now in Brighton Road.

Oasis Pregnancy Counselling is increasing in their support for young people, helping out with baby clothes and equipment donated.

Let's Go has now disbanded and Neil Currie was thanked for all the work he had done in the Community.

United Puppets are continuing their work in the Schools and Care homes with much success.

Christian Aid raised a marvellous sum of £13,130.15p  
Kirsten McCorkell is now co-ordinator for Women's World Day of Prayer, and a vote of thanks was given to Audrey Fowler for the great work she had done. *Brenda Garn, Secretary.*

## **Horsham Healing Rooms every Sunday 4 - 5:30 pm (except bank holidays) at the Y Centre**

### **Church Family Life...**

*This section of the Breakthrough is a place where you can place prayer requests, house moves, phone number changes and general information and news. Please contact the editor with entries.*

**Geoff and Jill Baker** celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on 13<sup>th</sup> September. We thank God for them and for the wonderful example they have set of a godly, faithful marriage.

**Melissa** has now moved to near Portsmouth. Please pray that she will settle in well and the right medication will continue to be found to keep her seizures at bay. But lets never give up praying for her and Jasmine's complete, miraculous healing.

### **The Life Leadership Team**

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