

A very warm welcome to our service today.

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.

This Week...

Simon is leading and Geoff is speaking on One Purpose of the Church

'And God placed all things under his (Jesus) feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way' Ephesians 1:22,23

Next Week...

Maureen will be leading and Ray will be starting a new series on Books of the Bible with Matthew.

Life Headlines...

Church Members Meeting Wed Sep 16th 7.30 for 8 pm at the Salvation Army Hall

All members should have received a briefing note and an agenda by email, post or hand. If not please speak to Anna or John.

Lunch together after Service - Sun 20th September

Do stay and have lunch together following the Service on Sunday 20th September. Jenny Tuck and Sue Martin will be co-ordinating the food so please see them if you are able to make/bring a plate of food. More details to follow.

Many thanks. *Jenny and Sue*

Harvest Food Appeal

Sunday 20th will be an All Age Service followed by lunch together. Like last year we will be collecting cans and packets/jars of food to give to needy families who find themselves in crisis. This will be distributed by the Easter Team based in Crawley. Please bring your items on that day.

Lacu Roşu 2009 Summer Camp: how did it go?

It probably seems a while ago now - hope you all had a good Summer - but you may be wondering how the camp with the Moldovan young people went. Well wonder no more! We had a fantastic time together and have produced a report, which is available this morning, so make sure you pick up a copy.

It has stretched to a third page this time, but that's because we asked some of the group for their reflections on the camp and how they felt about it, and it was all so encouraging we didn't feel we could leave any out! We've been truly blown away by how the Lord has used this opportunity, and by the enthusiasm and commitment they've taken home with them. We continue to be in touch over the internet, so please pray for them and us as we continue to support each other.

Lacu Roşu 2009 Team (Rob, Jo, Brian, Caroline, Sarah and Amy)

Moldova political update

You may remember that the Moldovan general election re-run also took place while we were at Lacu Roşu. The initial results we heard were not encouraging for the Moldovans, but subsequently it transpired that the four opposition parties had won 53 of the 101 seats (against 41 in April). They have formed a coalition and now successfully elected a speaker for the Parliament. The next step, to be announced soon, is the election of the president, for which 61 votes are required. It was the failure of the Communist party to elect their president in April (as they only had 60 seats) that necessitated this election re-run.

As we know, coalition governments are notoriously fragile, and the political and social future of Moldova still remains very much in the balance. Let us therefore remember the country in our prayers, that stability will be established and corruption can become a thing of the past, so that progress can be made for the benefit of all the people.

PRAISE NIGHTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

For all young people (14+) in the area - coming together to praise, worship, share and learn about faith.

12th of September - at Reigate Baptist church. 7.30 - 10.30 pm

17th of October - at Redhill Baptist church. 7.30 - 10.30 pm

Men's Prayer Breakfast

Saturday morning 12 September at the home of Simon Hill.

I do hope that you will be able to join us as these are always a time of fun, fellowship and blessing.

Ben, who hopes to be becoming a member at the Church Members Meeting on the 16th, has for many years had an interest in Men's Ministry and has agreed to come to our breakfast and share some of his experiences and ideas. I personally am really looking forward to hearing what he had to say.

Please send me, Ray (rwhitetlc@googlemail.com) an e-mail to confirm if you will be joining us for our breakfast so that we can arrange the appropriate amount of calories.....(sorry, healthy nutritious food).

Ray is preaching at Brighton Road Baptist Church this morning and is therefore not at Life, and would appreciate prayer support. Many thanks.

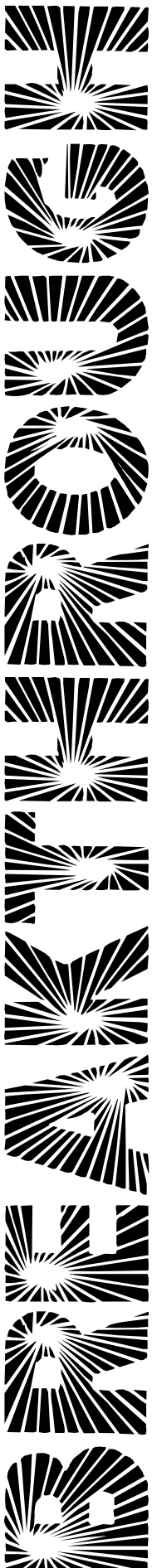
Horsham Churches Together Events in the Carfax

Harvest Festival - Saturday 3rd October

Animals, Produce & Worship. Time: TBA

Christmas Celebration - Saturday 28th November

Procession & Carols. Marshals will be needed. If you can help, please contact Terry Garn on 01403 265194


Encountering God Growing in faith Making a difference



Space to Pray - first Saturday morning of each month

Prayer nurtures our relationship with God and must precede and accompany all we seek to do for him as a church and as individuals. To encourage prayer Life have asked to use the Chapel at BRBC once a month on a Saturday morning 8.30 - 9.30 am.

We will have silent prayer - making time to come apart for a while to meet with God and then pray together for the last 20 minutes or so.

So, unless BRBC have something special on that day, the dates will be Oct 3, Nov 7th, Dec 5th, Jan 2, Feb 6th and then we'll review this.

Please make a note of these dates and set aside the time to come for all or part of the hour.

Digging Deeper evenings

We would like to have occasional group evenings where we have an opportunity to discuss, explore, question, and dig a bit deeper into certain topics for those who are interested to do so. One person, who is more informed on the topic, will introduce it and then be there to answer questions and guide the discussions.

The first for your diaries will be:

Sunday 13th September: Israel and the Church led through by Wally

Sunday 8th November: The New World Order? led through by Geoff

Sunday 17th January: Creation and Evolution led through by Kevin Tuck

The time will be 7.30-9 pm. The venue for 13th September will be Ben and Lyn Pickstock's. 13A Causeway RH12 IHE. Tel 251256. Other venues are to be arranged and ideas for future topics are welcome. Please speak to one of the LT.

WHAT IS MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER?

A 'Marriage Encounter' is a weekend away from home, family. In a comfortable, distraction-free environment, a couple is encouraged to develop their communication skills.

It is not a retreat or seminar, but a programme designed to give couples the opportunity to examine their lives together, their strengths and weaknesses, and their attitudes toward each other. It is a positive and affirming weekend. Couples share privately with their spouse and *do not* share any aspects of their marriages with the group.

ABOUT THE WEEKEND

The weekend is presented by a team of lay couples and a pastoral couple who have all experienced the weekend themselves. These couples share their own experiences and deal with issues important to all marriages. The weekend begins on Friday evening and ends on Sunday afternoon.

WHAT DOES THE WEEKEND COST?

The weekend will be paid for by donations from couples on previous weekends. There is only one fixed charge, the registration fee at the time of booking. On the weekend itself, costs are explained and you have the opportunity to make an anonymous donation of whatever you can manage. So there is no need to miss out on a weekend because you think you cannot afford it.

Weekend Dates are as follows:

Oct 2-4 2009 Oast Houses, near Hastings.

Nov 6-8 2009 Hothorpe Hall, Leicestershire

Feb 12-14 2010 Glenfall House, Cheltenham, Glos

Jul 9-11 2010 Bawtry Hall, near Doncaster

Sep 24-26 2010 Glenfall House, Cheltenham, Glos



Easter Retreat and Reflections at Ashburnham Saturday March 27th (TBC)

We are planning to have a day for as many as wanted and could come together, to retreat, walk, pray, reflect and spend time together.

"GROWING OLD GRACEFULLY"

Saturday 19 September 2009 from 9.30 am - 4.30 pm

This day of encouragement, information and re-sourcing for people looking to share their faith with, and to meet the spiritual needs of older people, has been organised jointly by PARCHE and Victoria Baptist Church, Eastbourne. There will be workshop sessions on the spiritual care of the terminally ill, evangelism in residential care homes, Alpha for Seniors, and working with the elderly mentally infirm. The cost is £5 per person to include teas/coffees/etc - please bring a packed lunch. For further information and a registration form please contact the office at Victoria Baptist Church, Eldon Road, Eastbourne, BN21 1UE, telephone number 01323 737974 or email office@victoriabaptist.org.uk.

The ACTS of the APOSTLES - not to be missed!

Last year Holy Trinity Church Lower Beeding was visited by the professional actor and director Ian Cullen. After working with a group of young people during the day, in the evening Ian used his strong trained voice to give a dramatic reading of the words of Saint Paul's *First Epistle to the Corinthians*. The audience of all ages were amazed and overwhelmed by the power of this rendering, which both invigorated the listeners and also shed new light on both familiar and unfamiliar parts of the apostle's letter. Ian himself was impressed by the scope of Holy Trinity Church as a performance space; he is now returning, together with his wife Yvonne Quenet, on Saturday 19th September to give a rehearsed reading of parts of the *ACTS OF THE APOSTLES*, linked with the Gospel of its writer Saint Luke and interspersed with passages from the *BOOK OF PSALMS*.

Ian Cullen's professional experience has ranged on TV from *Z Cars* (as DC Skinner) to *Family Affairs*; in the theatre from the Royal Shakespeare Company to West End comedies such as *Run For Your Wife* and more seriously playing the title role in a *Life of Saint Paul* (at the Westminster Theatre). He recently won a Gold Award for his work on the Hatikvah Productions documentary *The Forsaken Promise*; for the subsequent Hatikvah film *The Destiny of Britain* Ian provided the commentary as well as playing the role of Lord Shaftesbury.

Ian's wife is the actress Yvonne Quenet, who also appeared in *The Destiny of Britain*. After early experience in rep, she joined and toured with the National Theatre Company in many notable productions. She now works alongside Ian on workshops and productions for the Surrey Heath Young Actors' Company (SHYAC) based in Camberley.

This one-off rendering of the *ACTS OF THE APOSTLES* will take place at **HOLY TRINITY CHURCH Lower Beeding** on the evening of **SATURDAY 19th SEPTEMBER 2009 at 7.30 pm**.

There are no tickets (or reservations) for the performance, but there will be a Retiring Collection in aid of the Church Roof Fund, which this year needs money to match a sum offered by English Heritage for the inspection and repair of the roof of Holy Trinity.

The church is located in the neighbourhood of the PLOUGH public house on the corner of Sandygate Lane; there is a Car Park at the rear of the church, approached by a road through the Churchyard. The post code (of the Vicarage) is RH13 6NU.

Future Diary Dates...

Monday 6th September

Life Group Leaders Meeting 8 pm at Julie's.

Saturday 12th September

Men's Prayer Breakfast 7.30 am at The Hill's home.

Wednesday 16th September

Church Members Meeting

Sunday 20th September

All Age Service and lunch together (note change from Sep 13th)

Saturday 24th October

Ladies Away Day (not now 17th due to a double booking on their part!) at Ockley

Sunday 1st November

All Age Service and lunch together

Wednesday 25th November

Church Members Meeting

Sunday 20th December

All Age Service and lunch together

Wednesday 24th February

Church Members Meeting

Wednesday 26th May

Church Members Meeting

Church Family Life... for prayer requests, house moves, phone number changes and other general information and news.

Tony Potter 1951 - 2009

It is hard to come to terms with the fact that Tony Potter is not with us anymore. We will miss him. Most will have heard that Tony died last Saturday night. The cause of death was due to heart disease which caused a leakage which subsequently resulted in a clot to the brain. The evidence suggests that the death was sudden and instantaneous which meant that he would not have suffered. The funeral will take place on Thursday 24th 11 am at Worthing Crematorium, after his daughter and family have returned from their special holiday to Florida with Alfie. Please continue to pray for his daughters and grandchildren at this extreme painful time for them.

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Breakthrough

If you have an item that you wish to include in Breakthrough, please contact Matt, either by post (29 Lambs Farm Road, Horsham, West Sussex, RH12 4DB), e-mail (break@thru.fslife.co.uk), telephone (01403 262660), or find him in church. The deadline is Thursday noon. Items received after this will be published in the following week's edition.