

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...

is an All Age Service celebrating the Harvest.
Everyone please do stay for lunch together afterwards.

God's 'compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness!' Lamentations 3:22

Next Week...

Rachel will be leading, and Julie will be starting a new series on The life of Abraham with; 'A Great Call: Genesis 12:1-9'

Life Headlines...

Please note that Julie is at a BU Ministers Refreshers Conference from Monday to Wednesday in Derbyshire.

Harvest Food Appeal

All the food collected today will be taken to Crawley and distributed by the Easter Team to be given out to needy families who find themselves in crisis. Thank you.

A Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of Tony Potter

The funeral service will be this Thursday 24th September 2009 at Worthing Crematorium, Kingswood Chapel at 11 am, which will be conducted by Julie Shimizu. As Tony and the Potter family have been connected with businesses involving horses and cattle, a hearse will take the coffin from Freemans to the crematorium and at that point will be transferred to a horse drawn carriage, which will then make it's arrival at the chapel. For those attending it is suggested to arrive there at least 15 minutes earlier at 10.45 am. After the service the family will invite those attending to The Horsham Golf and Fitness Club, which is opposite Hop Oast, Horsham. Donations, in lieu of flowers, may be made which will go towards mission projects supported by either Life Community Baptist Church or Encouragement Ministries International. If anyone requires transport to the service then please contact Anna Pisani.

CARR NEWS on the move and an invite!

Hi All at Life just to let you know that we will have a new address from the 1st October: 18 The Cleavers, Toddington LU5 6ER, email and phone is also changing but watch this space :)

PLUS an invite: Joshua has asked to be baptised and Scott will be doing this on Sunday 25th October (day before his 16th Birthday!) at TBC at 10.30 am. Josh wants anyone that knows him to come and join in and witness his declaration of faith and act of obedience. So there is an open invite to any that can make it from Life - (please let us know if you can come as we are offering lunch afterwards).

Thank you to those of you who have kept in touch over this last year and thank you too, to all those that remember to pray for us - we would value your prayers as we move house again and for Joshua's special day. - Every Blessing *Scott, Fliss, Josh and Simeon* XXXX

An invitation from the local branch of The Gideons International

You are invited to hear about the work of the local Gideons on Saturday 3rd October at St John's Church Hall, Broadbridge Heath, Horsham @4pm followed by tea.
If you require transport please call Peter Humphrey 01444 4000943

Faith in Action Packing sessions have been planned on a variety of days which highlights how one off attendances are fine and no regular commitment is required unless you wish to give it.

If any of these dates suit you we shall be happy to have you join us at the packing room above the garage @76 Hurst Road.

If you want to know more please speak to Frances, Janine or Sue M.

Evening sessions 7-9 pm on **Tuesday 22nd Sept, Thursday 24th Sept, Monday 5th Oct, Thursday 22nd Oct**

Morning sessions 9.30-11.30 am on **Friday 9th Oct, Friday 23rd Oct**

Lacu Roşu 2009 Summer Camp report

We've produced a report on this Summer's camp with the Moldovan young people: if you weren't here last week, or didn't pick up a copy, please make sure you get one from us today. 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're in touch over the internet on an ongoing basis, so please pray for them and us as we continue to support each other.

Rob & Jo for Lacu Roşu 2009 Team

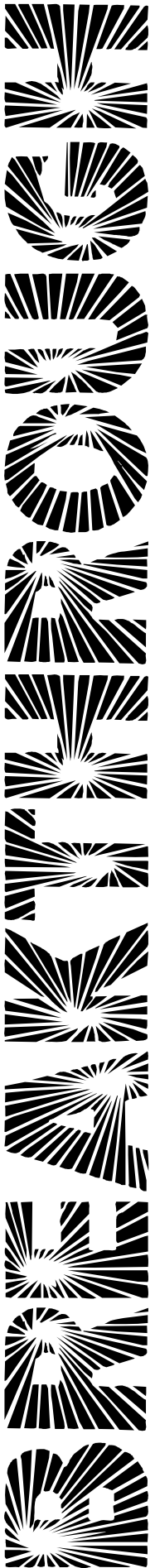
Moldova political update

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 a majority of the seats. They have formed a coalition and successfully elected a speaker for the Parliament. The next step will be the election of the president, but for that they will need the support of some of the Communists, so it will be a testing time politically for the country.

As we know, coalition governments are notoriously fragile, and the future for 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.



Encountering God Growing in faith Making a difference



Horsham Churches Together

The Annual General Meeting took place at the Brighton Road Baptist Church, when eighteen churches were represented. The new curate at St Mary's Peter Francis was introduced to the meeting. The Revd. Ewen Souter will stay on as Moderator for a further year but a secretary is still needed; please contact Brenda on the email below. The Rotary Club are interested in taking over the Christmas Post as their charity, along with assistance from HDC, Swan Walk Management and the Museum. We are asking with the Post Office re legality of selling the stamps. Once this is confirmed we will need the assistance of all members from HCVT Churches to deliver.

The Treasurer gave his report and we have funds available for this year's event to take place.

The Deputy Moderator, Terry Garn, gave an overall reflection on what we had achieved this year together, which was quite considerable. Carols in the Carfax are going ahead as planned with the Councils assistance. Healing in the Streets is continuing on its monthly sessions in the Carfax with many positive responses. For all of these things we need churches and congregations to participate together.

Richard Webb, Development Officer, is doing a wonderful job, and has secured Tanfield Motors and £1000 grant for Horsham Matters Ltd. David Sheldon, the neighbourhood co-ordinator for Partnering Older People Projects and District Councillor, gave us a talk on his work. This involves working with voluntary support groups across the area. For more information on this, visit the website www.horshampop.org.uk
Other News from the Churches:

Salvation Army welcomed Capt's Ian & Susan Woodgate and their family on the 12th August. Southwater and St. Andrews Methodist Churches have a new Family Worker starting in September. Brighton Road Baptist Church welcomes the Revd Tim Carter & his family as their new Minister starting on 1st November. St Leonards celebrated 70 years of church life in August, however Revd Peter Apted is retiring due to ill health. St Margaret's, Warnham, Revd Christopher Loveless is recovering well from his recent operation. Slinfold & Barns Green Churches are holding their Harvest Festival Supper at Barns Green Village Hall on 10th October. They are still looking for the right Minister and prayer was asked for. London Road Methodist Church has the Revd Paul Cockburn. As their new Minister who is also the Superintendent of the Dorking and Horsham Circuit, starting from September.

Bishop Mark Sowerby was welcomed as the Bishop of Horsham on the 3rd September.

Revd Guy Bridgwater reported the Team Parish review is near completion and decisions will be made by October 3rd
Brenda Garn. Brenda.garn@btinternet.com

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

The Centre is needing an early morning (or, possibly, evening) cleaner to cover time off.

2 hours per day, Monday - Friday (October 5th - 23rd inclusive)
£6.00 per hour

For further information please contact Doug Fletcher at The Centre
The Cafe @ The Centre, 4 - 5 South Street, HORSHAM, RH12 1NR, 01403 218821. crownbookshorsham.co.uk

Tonbridge Baptist Church have a 2 day conference entitled 'A Radical Agenda for the 21st Century Church', 9-10 October, with guest speaker Malcolm Duncan.

More details can be found on their website

www.tbc-online.org.uk/Radicalagenda.php

or on our SEBA website

<http://www.seba-baptist.org.uk/diary/tonbridge.html>

Guildford Baptist Church (Millmead Centre), in conjunction with London School of Theology, have arranged a one-day conference exploring origins from a Christian perspective.

Speakers include Professor Keith Fox, Dr Arthur Jones, Dr John Peet and Revd Dr Jules Gomes.

The conference will be held at the Millmead Centre on Saturday 7 November 10 am-5.30 pm - booking is essential!

A poster is being sent out in the next SEBA mailing (due out this week) via the Church Secretaries.

For further information, and to book, visit

www.guildfordcreationconference.com

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.

PRAISE NIGHTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

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

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

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 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.

Wordlive website (wordlive@scriptureunion.org.uk)

Scripture Union send daily bible readings and devotional comments by email. I find them quite helpful to read each day. You might too. *Julie*

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.

Future Diary Dates...

Saturday 24th October	<u>Ladies Away Day</u> (not now 17th due to a double booking on their part!) at Ockley
Sunday 1st November	<u>All Age Service and lunch together</u>
Wednesday 25th November	<u>Church Members Meeting</u>
Sunday 20th December	<u>All Age Service and lunch together</u>
Wednesday 24th February	<u>Church Members Meeting</u>
Wednesday 26th May	<u>Church Members Meeting</u>

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

Elisha, 19 who had been in the Osare orphanage since he was a baby but was now working and living outside the orphanage, was murdered on his way home from work. Rob and Jo had sponsored Elisha for a few years until he was 15. Julie gave the address by phone at the funeral yesterday. Please pray for the orphanage family in their sorrow and loss.

Tony Potter

Tony's funeral will be on Thursday 24th 11 am at Worthing Crematorium. Please arrive early to see the horse drawn hearse which has been arranged to carry the coffin. Please continue to pray for the family as it is, of course, very hard for them, especially for his daughters.

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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.flife.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.