

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...

Today is Pentecost Sunday and we are celebrating the coming of the Holy Spirit and the Birthday of the Church.

Please do stay for sandwiches and cake after the service!

'You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you;' Acts 1:8

Next Week...

Simon will be leading, and Geoff will be speaking on 'The Kingdom and Politics'

Life Headlines...

POWER FROM ON HIGH

We have now completed 50 days of prayer leading up to Pentecost when we are remembering the coming of the Holy Spirit and his indwelling Presence for all those for all those who believe.

To encourage us further and deeper in our walk with God and in being more effective for His Kingdom Purposes, we have printed up 4 week's worth of daily readings and reflections. Please use them to reflect on the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in your life. Week 1 is at the Welcome Desk. If you would like it mailed to you please email Julie



POSTCARD DISTRIBUTION

We are going to distribute 1,500 cards around Forest to let people know we are meeting here on Sundays and to invite people to come and be prayed for healing at 12 noon. PLEASE CAN YOU TAKE A BUNDLE AND HELP DISTRIBUTE THEM over the next week or two. Good exercise! :)

Listening Day Workshop

By popular demand, there will be another opportunity to attend an Importance of Listening Day Workshop on Saturday, 11th July.

This is a short introduction to Christian Listening designed to demonstrate how important effective, active listening can be. It is informal and relaxed and will help participants to understand how helpful it can be to have someone just listen to them. It also explores what obstacles may get in the way of good listening.

develop an attitude of listening in their homes, churches and work places

- improve their self-awareness and thereby the quality of their relationships with others
- deepen their relationship with God through listening to Him more effectively

The teaching method is interactive and includes presentation, discussion and opportunities for practicing listening. There are also moments of quiet for listening to God.

It is led by Jenny Scofield and Doug Fletcher, accredited tutors for the Acorn Christian Foundation

For further information and a booking form, please contact Doug Fletcher at dougfletcher@sky.com.

Richard White

Please pray for Richard (the son of Ray & Marilyn) as he has been appointed by the Bishop of Liverpool to the Liverpool Cathedral as the first ever Canon for Mission and Evangelism at any UK Cathedral. The Cathedral is a very busy place, with constant events and services and an average of about 400,000 visitors per year. The aims of the post include the duty to develop a culture of mission and evangelism that is integral to the life of the Cathedral in all its worship and activities, to hold the Cathedral accountable for its missionary and prophetic role in its local society and to give substance to the aspiration that every visitor to the Cathedral encounters God in some way every time they visit the Cathedral.

St John's Church, Broadbridge Heath is hosting a Food Hygiene Course on Monday 22nd and 29th June from 6-9 pm

The course has been arranged particularly with church members in mind as they may be involved in catering with Alpha, Fun Days, Scouts etc.

It is the Level 2 Food Safety in Catering course that is normally offered by Horsham District Council for £76.50

It will be held at St John's Church, Broadbridge Heath, Horsham, from 6-9 pm on Monday 22nd and 29th June (attendance at both sessions is required for the certification) and costs only £30.

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

To book please speak to Frances on 261735.

Can the book of Revelation be a gospel for the environment?

A Day Conference at West Worthing Baptist Church with Simon Woodman, a Tutor at South Wales Baptist College, from 10.30 am to 4 pm on Saturday 6th June 2009 and described as "For those who want to engage with this perplexing book and keep their feet firmly planted in the real world: an invitation to encounter Heaven's economics and Earth's ecology". For more information and to give them an idea of numbers attending, please phone 01903-212760 or email hazelsh@wwbc.myzen.co.uk. If you do attend, then please take a packed lunch.

Open Doors Prayer Group

Thursday 4th June, 2 pm at 48 Homestream House. We shall be praying for suffering Christians in Columbia, Kurdistan, Sudan and Egypt. Do come if you can.

TV/Video Combi unit available (for free) Please come and see Patrick if you are interested.

Horsham Churches Together

The Delegates met together again at All Saints, Roffey, on 29th April 2009.

Rev Kevin Agnew opened the meeting and explained that the beautiful church was built from money given by a parishioner.

The joint events such as Lent Group, Women's World Day of Prayer, Walk of Witness and Healing on the Streets, were well attended and a worthwhile witness to Horsham. There is always room for more people to join in, especially the men are very welcome at the W.W. Day of Prayer (suggestion that the name be changed!).

Richard Webb, Development Officer, had circulated a written report showing the progress made over the last few months. We had hoped to secure premises for the furniture outreach store, this has not yet happened, other avenues are being sought. He had a very interesting meeting with the police, who had contacted us directly through the website, and want to work with the churches. They would like a co-ordinator from HCT to work with the vulnerable in the community. Please visit their website to know more:

www.sussex.police.uk/recruitment/north_jobs.asp

WSSC are compiling a community directory, which they want us to be part of. We are in the process of compiling a Resource Database, which will help us all to know what other churches are doing and are then able to give support to each other. All churches need to be involved, as one body we are a big force.

Healing on the Streets has replaced Healing Rooms in Horsham. A core Team of 12 has been trained for this ministry, many more are needed and if you feel you have the calling and commitment for this wonderful work please contact Revd. Julie Shimizu, 01403 218842.

The next meeting will be on 30th May in the Carfax.

Also in the Carfax on 26th September we are holding a Harvest Festival with

music on the bandstand, local food produce on display, the 'Holy Fools' will be with us again, and much more is being planned along with the Y Centre. We will need this year from the AGM a new Moderator and a new Secretary. Revd. Ewen Souter is moving on to pastures new, and I have done more than the required time, and believe someone else should have a chance to do this service for the Lord. There are Job descriptions available from me, if you are in doubt what this all entails.

Horsham Churches Together needs people to participate and enjoy what is on offer, working together and worshipping together. All churches can have four delegates each, please get involved, we all have something to offer. The AGM is on 23rd July at Brighton Road Baptist Church, everyone is invited to come along, we will have a speaker and lots of interesting discussions.

Please join us.

Brenda Garn. Brenda.garn@btinternet.com

The BU President, -Kingsley Appiagyei is visiting churches in the South-East region on the weekend of 27th & 28th June

If you wanted to see him, he will be at:

- South-East Baptist Association celebration at Tonbridge Baptist Church (Saturday 27th, 7 - 8.30 pm)
- Morning Service at Guildford Baptist Church (Sunday 28th, 10 am)
- Evening Celebration at Chichester Baptist Church. (Sunday 28th, 6.30 pm)

Mandate 2009 - November 14th

If you would like to come, please see Simon.

A deposit of £40 secures your place and ticket.

For those who have already come forward; your deposits would be appreciated ASAP please.

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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.