22nd September 2019

Bethesda Baptist Church

Family News

Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5 v 16-18

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to our services today. Our morning service is being led by Paul Law and a guest speaker Simon Robinson from Shepherd Drive will lead the evening service. Next week both our services will be led by Guy Fairweather.

Refreshments will be in The Key following the morning service. Do join us if you can.

This week

Monday 23rd September

2:30 pm Monday Fellowship (Lower Hall)

Tuesday 24th September

10:00 am Parents & Toddlers (Lower Hall)

11:00 am Eventide devotionals, speaker Enett Mibizi

12:00 noon Prayer Meeting (Key)
7:30 pm Prayer & Bible study (Key)

Wednesday 25th September

10:00 am Coffee break (Lower Hall) times vary Brigades (All rooms)

Sunday 29th September

10.40 am Speaker: Guy Fairweather6.30 pm Speaker: Guy Fairweather10.15 am Prayer in the Deacons' Vestry

& 6.10 pm

10.40 am Sunday School and Crèche

Thank you ..

..to all those who helped in so many ways to make last week's Heritage Day a success. Also to everyone involved in decorating the church for our Harvest services. Thank you for all the items given to Families in Need (FIND) and the gifts to Tearfund which amounted to £377. In addition, refreshments over the weekend raised £165 for the Development Fund.



Bryan and Gwen Garnham have given the Church Flowers this week in memory of loved ones'

Bethesda Website - Recordings of Services



Did you know you can listen to recordings of services by going to the church website www.bethesdaipswich.com/sermons/



LARGE PRINT Bibles and song sheets are available.



There is also a hearing loop.

Therefore my brothers I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to

you. **Acts 13:38**

GAMES MORNING

We are hoping to start board games sessions each Wednesday 10am - 12noon in The Key cafe from 9th October onwards. If you enjoy scrabble, chess, dominos or anything vaguely similar this might be for you. It is on a casual just turn up approach, but the intention is for you to bring along your friends and introduce them to the Bethesda family and to Christ. Hopefully it will also attract complete

strangers to us and so to faith in Christ.

Do you have any spare games which we could use in The Key? If so, please drop them in the café.



Finishing Time



Come and join us! Bring all those unfinished projects and we'll spur each other on to finish. *Knitting*, beading, sewing, patchwork, crochet, cross-stitch etc...



Starts Wednesday 9th October More information soon...





PRAYER REQUEST

Please remember in your prayers

- David and Paula Grant, Peter and Margaret Cornish, Pauline Poulson, Ruby Flory, Joyce Miller, Gordon Curtis and Elsie Bailey also our Bethesda Eventide residents: Mary Gurney, Sylvia Olding and Eileen Button.
- Our speakers today, Paul Law and Simon Robinson, and next week Guy Fairweather.
- Our Minister Andrew Docherty as he and Linda take a well earned break.
- Town Pastors as they offer support and prayer to vulnerable people.



HOLIDAY CLUB

Wed 23rd-Fri 25th October 2019

10 am - 12.30 pm £5 for 3 days (or £2 a day)

Please get in touch for a registration form or download one from our church website. For more information contact: Mel Armstrong or Jenny Mann at holidayclub.bethesda@btconnect.com, or 01473 255035

If you are able to help with our Holiday Club this year please use the sign up sheets at the Information area.

Bethesda Sizewell Weekend

Friday 17th - Sunday 19th APRIL 2020

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free! Get started at: easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/

Pastoral Care

If you are concerned about someone in our Church Family please contact a member of the Pastoral Care team below or a church leader:

May Bowman, Andy and Jill Catto, Rob Haskins, or Coral Sharpe.

Bethesda Prayer Chain

If you would like Bethesda friends to pray for an urgent or time specific issue, please telephone Sharon Andrews .

If there is no answer, please leave a message with your name and number only and Sharon will call you back as soon as possible. Please do not leave the prayer message on the answer machine.



Kitchen Supervisor in The Key

Can you plan and prepare meals? We urgently need someone to cook in The Key, to work 3 days a week, Wednesday to Friday. 15hrs per week. If you are interested please contact Charlie Clarke on 01473 748773 or 07855425018.

The older Girls Brigade section are looking for some additional helpers to assist on Wednesday evenings between 7:30pm and 9:15pm.

If you feel that this is something you could assist with, please speak to Adrian Barnes or Rachel Gooderham.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFTS TO THE LORD FOR HIS WORK: