

The Outlook

*Magazine of Hope Baptist Church
July/August 2009*

*Our mission is to be Christ's body in the community,
demonstrating the Kingdom of God and calling others to
become His disciples*



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Life at Hope

Sundays 10.30am Morning Worship Visitors are always welcome

On the 3rd Sunday of the month we share bread and wine as Jesus called us to do in remembrance of Him.

Family Services are normally on the last Sunday of each month – please check the diary in the centre pages of this magazine.

Coffee and tea are served at the back of the church after the services.

A **crèche** is provided for children under 3 (except in Family Services).

Realm is a vibrant and contemporary service, held once a month. We meet for coffee/tea and cakes at 6.30pm and then begin at 7.00pm. The next Realm is on 19th July.

Community Café Thursdays 10.00 am – 12.00 noon in the Church. All welcome.

Fellowship Groups Small groups meet for bible study, prayer and friendship at various times and days throughout the week. Contact: Andy Saunders 772809

Men's Group Social events for all men in the fellowship and their friends. Contact: David Brown 707577

menZone Men meeting for bible study, prayer and breakfast. Meet monthly on Saturdays at 8am. Contact: Andrew Gardiner 791993

Mums & Babies (0-8 months) Tuesdays 10.00 – 11.30 am Contact: Kelly Hopwood 518254

Open House Meet in the Church Hall on the 3rd Monday of each month at 2.15 pm. £1.50, refreshments included. Contact: Pam Smith 219844

Parents & Toddlers Tuesday 12.45 – 2.45 pm and Wednesday 10.00 am – 12.00 pm and 12.45 – 2.45 pm term time only. Contact: Beryl Brown 778019

Prayer@Hope There is a Prayer Meeting every Monday from 7.00 – 8.00pm in the Prayer Room. Everyone is welcome to come along and pray for our church, our community and our world.

Prayer chains are used to share requests for prayer with the fellowship. Contact: Debbie Houston 709909 or Margaret Pendock 768957.

Women's Rendezvous An informal gathering of ladies from the fellowship and their friends who meet monthly. Contact: Jenny Weeks 777416

Youth@Hope Activities for children and teenagers take place on Sunday mornings at 10.30am and weekday evenings. A full programme of activities is available. Contact: Andrew Gardiner 791993

18s-30s Programme of social activities and a fellowship group. Contact Karen Ponsford 785181

CHANGEABLE OUTLOOK

Mike Munson has at home a copy of the Outlook from April 1937. In the front page the minister and editor, Rev'd Charlie Dyer, writes:

With this issue the Peverell Outlook begins the 11th year of, we venture to hope, its useful service. Thanks to all who have made its continuance possible. We could not do it without the work – the valuable work – of the distributors. During the last 10 years something like 180,000 copies of the Outlook have been circulated. Nor could we do without our advertisers.

How the Outlook has changed! It was then a magazine distributed throughout the whole of Peverell funded by four pages of adverts.. Today many of us receive the Outlook electronically. In 1937 1500 copies were distributed, now it is less than 100. Then the Outlook was about outreach, now it is primarily a means of communication amongst members of the fellowship.

After more than 80 years it has been a big decision to halt production of the Outlook for a year. This decision has been prompted because we have struggled to recruit two editors but it also seems right to spend some time re-evaluating how the church communicates with the community and amongst its members. If at the end of the year, we realise that we have lost something of essential value then of course we will seek to re-start a monthly magazine.

There has been a revolution in the communication industry since 1937 and what worked then may well not be the best way for the church to communicate its message in the 21st century. We thank all those who have edited, printed and distributed the Outlook in recent years. I know that you in particular have questioned the value of this work.

For Hope Baptist in the 1920's and 30's a monthly magazine was a fantastic way to communicate with the local community. This year will give us a great opportunity to reflect on the best way to communicate the gospel in the 2010's.

Andy Saunders

The 14th Frolicking Footsteppers

And so it came to pass that on the eighteenth day of the fifth month and for the fourteenth consecutive year a group of friends for whom the escapades of their youth offered but a fleeting memory assembled at a point on the North Cornish coast for a week of walking, eating, socialising and generally relaxing. The expedition nerve centre for the 14th Frolicking Footsteppers (aka The Wrinklies) was the Blue Bay Hotel at Mawgan Porth. Some arrived during the latter part of the afternoon, with the final three arriving around 8.30pm. All agreed that finding the centre of Hampton Court Palace Maze might have been easier than reaching the Hotel but a warm welcome and glorious sea views more than made up for any frustration.

And so to Day 2



After a good Cornish breakfast, the more fit and healthy undertook the planned 8 mile walk – from Constantine southwards to Mawgan Porth, taking in the famous Bedruthen Steps. Others completed just part of the walk before tackling a cream tea at the renowned National Trust tearoom overlooking the “ Steps” . The Maritime Museum in Falmouth was the day’ s venue for two of the group who were keen to see the special exhibition about the Titanic. Back in Mawgan Porth the nearest we could come in terms of a “ catastrophe” was seeing one of our support vehicles lose its exhaust. Too much “ hot air” was suggested!

The evening provided the opportunity to share in a meal together at the Hotel and to exchange stories from the day. Oh! And then there was the singing which this year bore an even closer resemblance to “ The Last Night of the Proms” thanks to a specially commissioned Song Book put together by Ray and Lynda (To them we are very grateful)

Day 3 seemed to have come around very quickly

Another fine day weather wise, giving great encouragement to those who had determined to undertake the planned walk, starting and finishing in Padstow via the Camel Estuary and headland. Some chose a shorter walk, whilst others either spent the day in Padstow or ventured in the opposite direction towards Newquay Zoo and Aquarium and Trenance Gardens.

However, the day was not without incident. One of the more extrovert members of the Party paraded unwittingly through the crowded streets of Padstow with one trouser leg tucked inside his walking sock and the other falling lightly on the tip of his shoe! And as if that was not enough, one of the female members of the group became trapped in a rural lavatory! A fine reputation, earned through a lifetime of upright living, was very nearly lost down the pan!

A great thing about these days together is that whatever befalls us there is the coming together at the end of it for a good natter and fine food – and of course the singing.

Mixed activities in glorious sunshine were the feature of Day 4

Seven of the more fit completed the 8 mile walk from Pentire to Mawgen Porth. Two did a shorter walk culminating in their second cream tea of the week! And then there were those who either sampled the produce of a local cider farm or simply took in the beauty of Watergate Bay whilst enjoying a “primus – brewed” cuppa. Also worthy of note was a late afternoon game of “pitch and putt” played in a highly competitive spirit between three acknowledged golfers and one non-golfer. Guess who won?



Day 5 was the day of our return

Underpinning the whole of our week was a great sense of Christian fellowship. We had been in a beautiful part of God's creation and in the company of special friends.

The writer would like to thank:

James, Pippa, Bel and Lisa for looking after us so well.

Beryl, Ann, Marian, Sandra C, Sandra B, Carole, Pam, Cindy, Peter, Adrian, Ray, Mike, John E and Dave for their wonderful company, and especially

Judith and John for planning another early Summer break which was an absolute tonic.

Roll on next year – even though by then more of us are likely to be wearing elasticised support bands and stockings!

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Safe to Grow

At Hope we are required to operate the policy, 'Safe to Grow'

This policy is in place to seek to ensure that children in our care are safe from harm.

It is a requirement that certain officers of the church e.g.; ministers, deacons, church secretary, administrator, caretaker, members of the 'Safe To Grow,' (STG), team - as well as every individual working with children - will be subject to a formal police check through the Criminal Records Bureau, (CRB). Therefore each and every person thus involved must obtain and complete an '*Enhanced Disclosure Application Form*'. These can be obtained from Justine in the church office or from either of the STG co-ordinators.

Margaret Underdown Tel: 01822 854093 or
Debbie Houston Tel: 01752 709909

Following completion of the application forms Margaret or Debbie will meet with the applicant in order to check that the form has been completed appropriately and to scrutinise the relevant ID. The form will then be forwarded to the “Churches’ Agency for Safeguarding” for processing. There is no fee payable by either the individual or the church in respect of volunteer workers.

The Children’ s Advocates are Chris Houston and Sue Syers.

These officers are appointed by the body of church members and are available should anyone wish to share with them any concerns they may have regarding a young person’ s welfare. They are also a resource accessible to any young person who may wish to discuss with them something that is worrying them.

Please be assured that the practices and procedures outlined above are in accordance with national guidelines.

The STG team meet quarterly throughout the year; minutes are taken and presented to the Ministers and Deacons at their meetings. The team members are:

Andrew Gardiner - Minister
Beryl Brown - Church Secretary
Chris Houston – Children’ s Advocate
Sue Syers - Children’ s Advocate
Debbie Houston - STG Co-ordinator
Margaret Underdown - STG Co-ordinator

If anyone is considering helping in any way with any of the 0-16 year old age groups at Hope, in or away from the church, please speak in the first instance to Andrew Gardiner and then to one of the STG co-ordinators in order to process the clearance required.

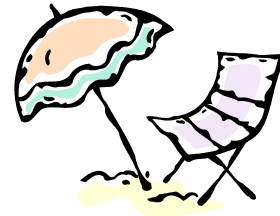
Thank you for your support

Margaret Underdown
Safe to Grow Co-ordinator

Debbie Houston
Safe to Grow Co-
ordinator

July Diary

Sat 04		Church trip to Teignmouth
Sun 05	1030	Morning Worship <i>1 Kings 17</i> The Miracles of Zarephath
Tue 07		Fellowship Groups
Sun 12	1030	Morning Worship <i>1 Kings 18:16-39</i> The Heights of Mount Carmel
Wed 15		Hallelujah Plymouth @ PCC
Sun 19	1030	Morning Worship and Communion The Depths of Horeb <i>1 Kings</i> <i>19:1-18</i>
Tue 21	1930	Church Members Meeting
Sun 26	1030	Family Service



August Diary

Sun 02	1030	Morning Worship <i>John 4:24</i> In Spirit and Truth
Sun 09	1030	Family Service
Sun 16	1030	Morning Worship and Communion Up, Down, In, Out <i>Amos</i> <i>5:23-24</i>
Sun 23	1030	Morning Worship <i>Phil 3:7-11</i>
Sun 30	1030	Family Service



Realm Sunday 19 July

Vibrant and contemporary service starting at 1900
with coffee and cakes from 1830



Weekly events

Tuesday 10 – 11.30am Mums and Babies
Thursday 10 – 12 noon Peverell Community Café

Weekly events term time only

Parent and Toddlers:

Tuesday 1245 – 1445
Wednesday 1000 – 1200
1245 - 1445

HY-Powered (school years 3-6): Thursday 1830 – 2000

The Hype (school years 7 – 9): Friday 1900 – 2130

Re:Act (school years 10 – 13): Friday 2015 – 2200

Open House

Our annual trifle tea is on Monday 20th July in the church hall at 2.15 pm. If you have not joined us before, we invite you to come along. We have organised a “ Summer Quiz” and the trifles, bread and butter and cake are a great tradition enjoyed by all the regulars.

The suggested donation for the tea is £1.50, which will all go to the Soup Run. Hope Baptist Church has a team that provides this service on Monday evenings throughout the year, other churches do it on the other evenings. They take pasties, sandwiches, cake and hot drinks to homeless people in the city centre. It can help 50 to 60 people each evening.

We do not have a meeting in August, so we hope you have a good summer and look forward to seeing you in September.

Music @ Hope

This August it will be one year since we had the first meeting of the Hope Music Team (HMT). The purpose of this team was to oversee all music, PA and multimedia activities within the Church, giving opportunity for people to get involved in this important area of ministry. So what have we done since this was all set up? And what are we currently doing? Read on to find out...

Looking back

There are many things we have done through our music ministry at Hope – here is a selection of them:

One of the highlights last year was the “Creative Christmas” event which saw 2 new songs written by people within our fellowship, one of which was sung at the evening carol service. It was great to see and hear the results of God’s gift of music and lyric writing, given to our people.

Another great event was our “Songs of Praise” evening which was extremely well attended and saw the “Hope Sings!” choir feature a couple of songs. Watch out for another Songs of Praise event later in the year – planned for 11th October.

The Youth Band is an avenue for teenagers to get together and share their talents and passion for music with each other. They met regularly over the last few months and provided the band for one of the services a few months ago. There was a great deal of positive feedback from the congregation who would certainly like to hear them again!

Hope has provided a band for 2 services at other Churches over the last 6 months. It’s an honour and a blessing to share with and assist others who haven’t got the benefit of many musicians.

The “Tekkies” have been working hard behind the scenes to ensure the smooth running of our PA and multimedia equipment. The desk at the back has been extended to include the laptop and other

fascinating electrical kit to meet the challenges of this technological age.

Looking forward

The main focus for the HMT at the moment is to seek God's guidance as to our vision for the next few years. It will be good to document this before we begin to look at spending any money, so that what we do spend will fit with the vision. The Church has recently decided to allocate half of the Thank Offering to our audio-visual equipment within the Sanctuary. We have to ensure that this money is spent wisely. (Those that attend on a Sunday morning will know that the projector is in need of an upgrade – and this will be our first priority! It may have even been replaced by the time you read this.)

Currently there are a number of songs “out there” written by people within the church. It will be great to introduce these into our services over the coming months but if you'd like a preview of them then please come along to the next Realm on 19th July where we'll hear them for the first time.

The rota to determine who will feature in the band or on the desk each week will no doubt continue to be a headache! We need to avoid people's holidays; other absences and those people rota'd separately to do youth work – but Justine Spence and Mark Henagulph do a great job in this area. At the last count we have 22 musicians and 9 on the PA / multimedia team. As a result of the recent Service Questionnaire 5 more people have shown an interest in getting involved and it will be great to get them on board over the next few weeks and months.

And finally - during the first 3 weeks of July we would like to trial a slightly different format for the commencement of our services. We're going to look at the band starting up at around 10.25 and then leading a period of praise until around 10.40, when one of the ministers will take over. This will allow for a flow of sung worship without interruption as we enter into the presence of God and prepare ourselves to meet with Him. It will also mean that new

songs (including those written by our own people) can be introduced on occasions, taught to the congregation before all singing together.

To ensure we are always reviewing and challenging ourselves we would always welcome any feedback on anything we do. If you have a comment or suggestion please feel free to approach any one of us. We' d be happy to discuss any of the various aspects with you.

These are exciting times in our music making and multimedia creations at Hope. We pray that we will use our talents effectively for the glory of God and for his purpose.

God bless

Hope Music Team

Kevin Ponsford

Amanda Harris

Mark Henagulph

Dave Ponsford

Paul Snell

Justine Spence

Women' s Rendezvous

July

Our July meeting is on Wednesday 22nd July 7pm. It is to be a guided tour of Ford Park Cemetery led by Pat Luxford of the Ford Park Cemetery Trust. If weather is wet Pat Luxford will give a talk at the Hope Church 7:30pm.

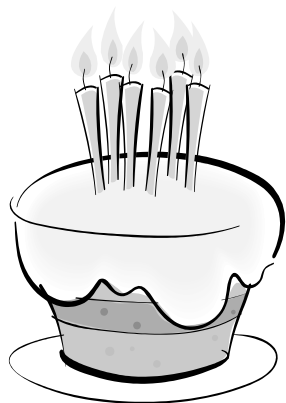
Contact Merrilyn Duook 778409 if in any doubt about the weather.

August

No meeting in August

What is BMS Birthdays?

The birthday scheme means that you get a card on your special day. Enclosed with this is a gift envelope in which you agree to make a donation to BMS (Medical). I would encourage you to seriously consider joining this scheme – especially seeing how many countries need medical help these days. Please contact me if you would like more information.



Marian Brown

BMS Birthdays

01 July Mrs Jean Potter
02 Aug Mrs Marion Brown

Church Flowers for July

05 Mr Michael Holland. In Loving Memory of his wife Anne
12
19
26 Miss Dorothy Camfield. Remembering her family, with love

Church Flowers for August

02 Mrs Anne Javan. In Loving Memory of her parents on the Anniversary of their Wedding.
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16 Glenda and Allan Davies
23 John and Judith Pinch. In Loving Memory of Mrs Gwen Pidsley, and to celebrate their daughter' s birthday
30 Mrs Pat Taylor

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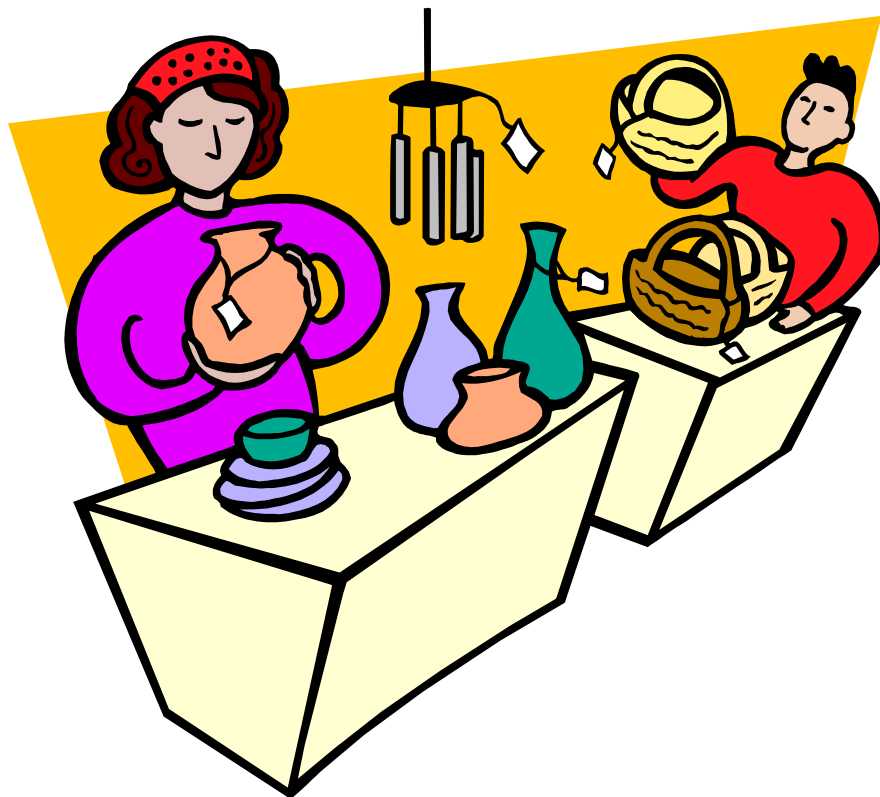
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10am till 12noon

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Merrilyn Duook 778409
to avoid disappointment



Who' s Who at Hope

Minister	Andy Saunders	772809
Minister	Andrew Gardiner	791993
Secretary	Beryl Brown	778019
Treasurer	Tony Jopson	781792
ALPHA	Andy Saunders	772809
Administrator	Justine Spence	708090
Booking Secretary	via Church Office	708090
Caretaker	Honore Iyakaremye	
Children' s Advocates	Chris Houston	709909
	Sue Syers	
	703077	
Fellowship Groups	Andy Saunders	772809
Flower Co-ordinator	Pam Smith	219844
Men' s Group	David Brown	707577
menZone	Andrew Gardiner	791993
Minibus Bookings	Paul & Nicky Hatherell	770186
Mums and Babies	Kelly Hopwood	518254
Open House	Pam Smith	219844
Parents and Toddlers	Beryl Brown	778090
Prayer Chain	Margaret Pendock	768957
Safe to Grow	Margaret Underdown	01822 -
Co-ordinators		854093
	Debbie Houston	709909
The Outlook	Claire Preston	700739
Women' s Rendezvous	Jenny Weeks	777416
Youth@Hope	Andrew Gardiner	791993

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