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The Outlook

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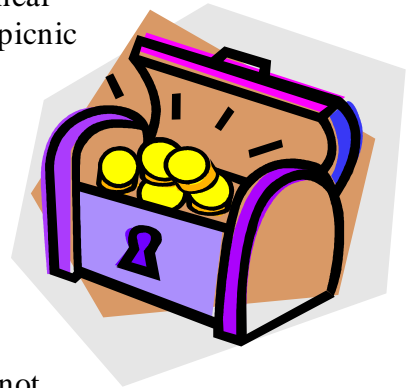
Our mission is to be Christ's body in the community demonstrating the Kingdom of God and calling others to become his disciples.

May Bank Holiday Treasure Hunt

Monday 7th May

Start 2pm at the Cremyll Ferry Car Park in Stonehouse.
To eventually meet on the Hoe, on the grass near
Smeaton's Tower, between 4 and 5 pm for a picnic
tea.

- To link with the Year of Living
Generously this year's treasure hunt
will be on foot and not a driving
event.
- There will be people on the Hoe to
organise games, from 2pm, for those not
taking part in the treasure hunt, or people can just relax and
enjoy the view.
- It will be best if people can arrange to be dropped off at the
Cremyll Ferry Car park at 2pm, as car parking is limited,
however we will arrange to have the church minibus to ferry
people back there from the Hoe if necessary. The church
minibus will leave from the church at 1.30pm for anyone
wanting a lift to Stonehouse. Please let Richard or Mary know
as space is limited.



In the event of wet weather the treasure hunt will be cancelled.

Any questions contact
Richard or Mary Simpson Tel no. 780214.

WOMEN' S RENDEZVOUS

At our May meeting the speaker will be Deborah Ingram. Deborah went to Mozambique last year with Osee and Paul Sumner to see the conditions that exist there in the refugee camps and in the capital.

Deborah will be joined by Louise (Osee' s wife) when she comes to WR and they will tell us about the visit to Mozambique and how the Church of All Nations hopes to raise enough money to build two schools in the country - one in the refugee camp that was visited and one in the capital. Already enough money has been raised to build one school (Paul told us about this on Easter Sunday during our service at Hope) and it is hoped that the money will soon be available to build the other school.

All ladies from the church are invited to join Women' s Rendezvous or just come along to our meetings and listen to the speaker and have a cup of tea/coffee and a chat.

Our June and July meetings will be held at Bovisand in the garden of Merrillyn' s chalet overlooking the Sound and at Jenny and Ron' s garden (27 Honicknowle Lane) when we will enjoy a barbeque (weather permitting).

For a programme of Women' s Rendezvous meetings see Jenny or Marian.

We would like to thank everyone who contributes regularly on a Sunday Morning

Communion

- 20 *Prayer* – Richard Simpson
Servers – Ron Dalton, Mark Henagulph and Helen Pugh
Set-up *Wash-up*
Peter and Beryl Brown Peter Mann and Estelle Robinson

Flowers

- 06 Flower Fund
13 Myra Conbeer. In loving memory of her husband, Bill.
20 Flower Fund
27 Ron and Jenny Weeks. Loving Birthday Remembrance of both
their mothers.

Coffee

- 06 Patrick Cann and Beryl Brown
13 Pat Taylor and Sandra Brown
20 John and Carol Eastcott
27 Sheila Boddington and Marion Brown

Crèche

- 06 Kelly Hopwood and Jean Bartlett
13 Julie Harrall and Beverly Townsend
20 Jackie May and Leontine Amissale
27 Luisa Davies and Helen Pugh

3-5's

- 06 Barbara Smith, Margaret Underdown & Shirley Mann
13 Amanda Harris, Sheena Kingdon & Shirley Mann
20 Sandy Lashbrook, Mel Hatherell & Claire Knight
27 Barbara Smith, Margaret Underdown & Shirley Mann

5-7' s

- 06 Sarah Aldersley and Julie Harrall
- 13 Jenny Saunders and Judy Tregoning
- 20 Sarah Alderseley and Sandra Brown
- 27 Jenny Saunders and Julie Harrall

Transport

- 06 Mike Lummis / Mike Munson
- 13 David Brown / Richard Simpson
- 20 Mike Munson / Mike Lummis
- 27 Richard Simpson / David Brown

Duty Steward

- 06 Wilf Smale
- 13 Nicky Hatherell
- 20 Ron Dalton
- 27 Beryl Brown

Welcome Stewards

- 06 Trevor Fray, Marian Brown and Gill Knight
- 13 Salli Lummis, Peter Mann and Val Hart
- 20 Margaret Tripp, Graham Dodd and Pat Dodd
- 27 Pam Smith, Tim Hart and Beryl Chun

Welcome Steward – Young person

- 06 Holly Bowman-Powell
- 13 Robert Canning
- 20 Jemma Aldersley
- 27 David Simpson

Holy Ghosts

I recently watched Nick Broomfield's film Ghosts. It recreates the story of Ai Qin, an illegal immigrant from China to the UK. Ai Qin's family pay \$5000 to have her smuggled into the country where she works in the UK's food industry which is heavily dependent on underpaid, migrant labour. Eventually she starts work cockle-picking at Morecambe Bay and is one of the survivors of the 2004 Morecambe Bay cockling disaster, in which 23 illegal workers lost their lives.

The film is titled ' Ghosts' after the immigrants nickname for the pale faced British people they encounter. It also describes something of the other worldly existence of the Chinese themselves. As illegal immigrants they are off the radar of the authorities and largely ignored by the people who they live near and work with.

The documentary that accompanies the DVD shows how accurate the film is in revealing how the language barrier and their illegal status separate the Chinese from the Ghosts except where the Ghosts have an opportunity to exploit them or where they feel threatened by them.

Watching the film I longed for the presence of even one holy ghost, one who like Jesus would value them as people made in God's image and see beyond the labels of foreigner and illegal.

As we celebrate the coming of God's Spirit, the Holy Ghost, who broke down all barriers between nationalities, I pray He will empower us to see people as God sees them, to see beyond the label and to show hospitality to strangers – to become holy ghosts.

Andy Saunders

INVITATION

Prayer Partners & Triplets Open Evening

23 May 2007
7.30 – 8.30 pm
At Hope

All Welcome!

Please come whether you are part of an existing Partnership or Triplet or if you would like to find out more about what the Partners and Triplets are all about. It will be a very informal get together, tea, coffee and cake and a chance to talk, share encouragements and ask questions.

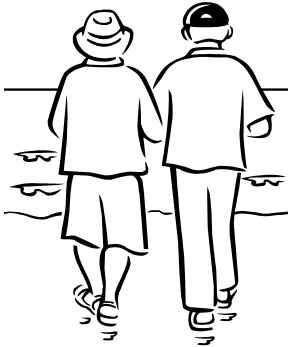
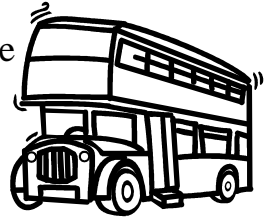
RSVP

To either Jenny Saunders or Cheryl Williams
By Sunday 20.05.2007

Teignmouth 2007 - Saturday 30th June

Our annual ‘church family’ day trip is once again to Teignmouth...

This ideal town has the advantage of the shops, including many takeaways and cafes, being right next to the beach – a perfect venue whatever the weather!



Bring a packed lunch or buy yourself something – you choose: then go to the beach for the traditional races and games, or hit the shops, before all joining together for tea in the church hall. A list will be circulated later for you to choose what you would like to contribute to this shared meal.

We will be leaving on the double-decker bus at 10.30am prompt from the bus bay on Outland Rd, since buses can no longer stop outside the church. Later we will leave Teignmouth at 6pm for the return journey, arriving back tired but happy at approx 7pm.

All are welcome on this trip and for the fourth year the prices are the same - £5.50 for adults and £3.50 for children. For those who prefer to make their own way we ask for a £1.50 per person contribution towards costs. Please note we cannot take any unaccompanied children.



If you have any questions, or to book your place please speak to Debbie Houston or Nicky Hatherell.

Prayer Calendar



South West Baptist Association,
Wonford Baptist Chapel,
36-38 Wonford Street,
EXETER EX2 5DL
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Email: chris@swbaptists.org.uk

Please use this calendar in your daily or weekly prayers, or in your fellowship.

If you would like to receive the calendar by email please email me at

chris@swbaptists.org.uk; I will be pleased to add you to the emailing list.

29th April – 5th May

CREWKERNE & MISTERTON BAPTIST CHURCH, Somerset

Please join us in giving thanks to the Lord that, despite major disappointments over the rate of progress in disposing of the Crewkerne buildings, the church fellowship remains committed to the need for different facilities. We are grateful also for encouraging involvement in our men's group and our women's fellowship as well as a good start to our Club Rock group for young people from school year 6 upwards.

Prayer would be valued for a continued desire for unity at a time in which congregational diversity is increasing.

SWBA TEAM AND WIDER BAPTIST FAMILY

This week please remember the Association Team. Please pray for wisdom as we seek to work with churches all around the south west in a wide variety of challenges, issues and projects. We are always grateful for your prayerful support. Pray for those churches currently seeking ministers, and for Jez as he prayerfully seeks to facilitate this process through the National Settlement Team.

Remember also the Baptist Assembly this week, being held in Brighton 4th -7th May. Jonathan Edwards will be the keynote speaker on Sunday evening.

6th – 12th May

TRURO BAPTIST CHURCH, Cornwall

Truro Baptist Church - These are exciting times in the life of the church: weekly attendance is increasing, there are growing numbers of people requesting membership and baptism, and we are involving more people in teams to develop children's work and do practical tasks. For all these things we give God the glory. Please pray for us as we rise to these challenges, and ask that we will be outward-focused.

LYME REGIS BAPTIST CHURCH, Dorset

No entry received

13th – 19th May

CHADDLEWOOD COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH, Plymouth

Pray for the new members recently elected to our church leadership team.

We are thinking about how we can be a more permanent presence in the school where we meet. Pray for wisdom and creative thinking as we work this through.

"Impact" our club for 7-11 year olds is thriving. We now need to think about provision for those who will be leaving the group in the autumn

TORRINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH, North Devon

TBC has been through quite a difficult 18 months, but despite this the church is moving on is hopeful and prayerful for the future. Please pray for our new deacons, for direction and wisdom as to how to continue to build up the church and one another as we seek to work out what it means to be church in the ongoing context of mission.

20th – 26th May

HALCON BAPTIST CHURCH, Taunton

We praise the Lord that this is a time new beginnings. Here at Halcon we now have a Pastoral Team and a Ministry Team. At the end of April, here at the Crossway Centre, plans are being made to start a Teenage Pregnancy and Young People Clinic. It is hoped that a nurse will be employed to head up this pilot project. We have been meeting with the Primary Care Trust and other local agencies to also have two Health Visitors who will be available at the clinic on Tuesdays during the Coffee Morning; and Thursday mornings while Bumps and Babes are in progress. Pray that the Lord will gel all of this together so that as folk come into our buildings to seek assistance on a practical level, it will in turn lead to a living knowledge of Him.

EXWICK COMMUNITY CHURCH, Exeter

ECC ministers in an area of Exeter that has great evangelistic potential (there are only 2 small churches serving 8500+ people). We meet at the local Junior School site which will be replaced by a brand new school building at the end of the year. Please pray that we make the right decisions regarding venue, are united as we move and catch the evangelistic vision.

27th May – 2nd June

BROADCLYST BAPTIST CHURCH, Nr Exeter

No entry received

PRESTON BAPTIST CHURCH, Paignton

*Continue to **pray** for the church in this the first year of a new ministry team, as we seek to listen and learn from the history of the church, discover gifts and abilities and as we come together to discern the "shape" of the church for the years to come.*

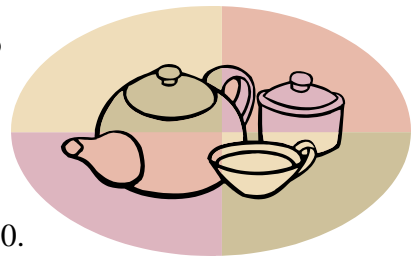
***Praise** God for a good leaders away day recently in Lustleigh, for a thriving pre school who have just received quality assurance grade 3 and have over 70 on our books. Praise for Alpha and post Alpha for its leaders and those who attend. Praise God for a baptism of one of our young adults on 22nd April, pray that it will make connections into others lives and Praise God for another young adult who is considering joining a BMS summer team this year. **Pray** for our working group who are looking into new possibilities for the present coffee lounge area and its links to all those who use the premises daily and our local community.*

Open House

We invite you to join us for afternoon tea on Monday 21st May, at 2.15pm in the Church hall. We are hoping to arrange a speaker, and the suggested donation for the tea is £1.50.

If you would like a lift on the day, please telephone me, Pam Smith on tel 219844, to arrange a pick up time.

Our annual outing for a cream tea is going to be on Monday 2nd July when we are going to Tamar View Nursery, Saltash. Adrian and I checked it out recently and there are lots of goodies on offer other than a cream tea if you prefer, prices start from about £1.50. A pot of tea, two scones, cream and jam is £3.90.



We will start to take bookings and arrange lifts at Open House on 21st May, or see Marian Brown or me after that date. Hope you can join us.

Coffee Morning

Could you spare a couple of hours once a month to help run the Thursday Coffee Morning?

The Coffee Morning runs from 10.15am, to 12noon, but you would need to be available about half an hour before hand to get the water on, cups out, biscuits ready etc. and stay until about 12.15 to make sure everything is tidied away afterwards. If you are able to help or would like more information, please contact Pam Walters (tel 526760).

Soup Run

We are urgently in need of clean supermarket carrier bags and blankets. If you can help with this in any way we would be very grateful.

Marion

The Revue Players:

Following the success of our pantomime, Jack and the Beanstalk, our next show is to be a Revue entitled "Those were the Days", written by our very own Andy Coles. This Revue will follow a family on a musical journey from the 1930s to the 1980s, giving everyone plenty of opportunity for lots of singing and dancing with songs like "The Sunny Side of the Street" from the 1930s, "Tulips from Amsterdam" from the 1950s and "YMCA" from the 1970s, to name just a few.

This Revue is to be held at the Plymouth Athenaeum Theatre from Thursday 10th May to Saturday 12th May with performances at 7.30 p.m. each evening and a matinee at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday. The seats are all at the special price of £6.

The Revue Players meet weekly at Hope Baptist Church on Wednesday evenings.

**Plymouth & SE Cornwall
Baptist District
Connections**

Church – Metherell Baptist – May 2007

Items of Prayer for Thanksgiving:

It is with great regret that we have to sell the church buildings. We thank God for the fact that for nearly two hundred years believers from Metherell, Harrowbarrow and the surrounding district have worshipped and witnessed in the chapel and dozens of children have been taught about Christ in the Sunday School Hall.

We give thanks for the assistance being given by the Association tea at 'the office'.

Items of prayer for intercession:

Although the buildings are to be sold the church plans to continue as a house group and we ask for your prayers as we make this fact known and we seek to present the claims of Christ in our villages. Any help with this new venture would be much appreciated.

Pray that we might have wisdom in disposing of various items e.g. two pianos, chairs, equipment for youth club activities (small sized snooker table, a rather old table tennis table) among other things.

Prayer focus:

As we celebrate Pentecost pray for an openness to the leading of God's Spirit.

Remember those in the fellowship who are looking for employment.

Remember all those who have recently been bereaved.

On May 23 there is an open evening for prayer partners/triplets - pray this work will be strengthened and new people to join.

The River Dart camping weekend is 1-3rd June. Pray for the growth of friendship and fellowship.

The Alpha course has started well, pray for the five people on the course.

Give thanks for Fellowship Group Leaders and pray for their encouragement and vision.

Its the last Growing Leaders on May 8. Pray all participants will be able to put their learning into practice.

Youth

Pray for David Evans and Paul Snell in their Chaplaincy roles at the University and Hospital.

The mission teams to Romania and Bulgaria are being finalised - pray for Kathryn and Mark in their leadership roles and for financial provision.

Give thanks that we are on track to meet our budget for 2007 and pray we will be able to pay the final bills for the building project.

May Diary

Tue	01	10.00	Mum' s and Babies Group**
		1.00	Parent and Toddler Group*
Wed	02	10.00	Mum' s and Babies Group**
		1.00	Parent and Toddler Group*
Thur	03	10.15	Coffee Morning**
		6.30 – 8.30	Hy Powered*
Fri	04	7.00-8.30	The Hype *
		8.15-10.00	Re Act*
Sun	06	10.30	Morning Worship
Sun	13	10.30	Morning Worship
Wed	16	7.30	Women' s rendezvous
Sun	20	10.30	Morning Worship
Mon	21	2.15	Open House
Sun	27	10.30	Morning Worship

*These meetings meet weekly **during term time only**

** These meetings meet weekly **all through the year**

Life at Hope
Sunday 10.30am Morning Worship
Visitors are always welcome

On the 3rd Sunday of the month we join together in taking communion, as we remember that the Lord Jesus Christ died for us.

Family Services are at 10.30am on the last Sunday of each month, Coffee and tea are served after all morning services.

Crèche is provided for children under 3 during all morning services except all age (family) services.

Youth@Hope

Activities for children and teenagers take place on Sunday mornings (during the 10.30am service) and weekday evenings. Full programmes of activities are available. For more information contact Andrew Gardiner on 791993

Prayer Groups

Meet together on Tuesday afternoons, before Sunday morning services in the Guildroom and on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month at 7.30pm. Prayer Triplets also meet regularly. For more info contact Jenny Saunders - 772809
Prayer Chains are used extensively. Contact Margaret Tripp on 768957

Mums and Babies (0-8months) meet on Tuesdays 10-11.30am

Coffee Morning

Thursday 10.15-12 noon in the Church Hall – all welcome.

Parent and Toddler Groups

Meet for 2 sessions each Wednesday and on Tuesday afternoons, term time only. Contact Beryl Brown 778019

Women' s Rendezvous

An informal gathering of ladies from the fellowship and their friends who meet monthly. Contact Jenny Weeks – 777417

Men' s Group

A group for all men in the fellowship and their friends meeting for social events. Contact David Brown – 707577

Open House

In the Church Hall on the third Monday of each month at 2.15pm – refreshments included £1.50 – all welcome.

Fellowship Groups - Contact Andy Saunders – 772809 for details

The Outlook

This months Outlook was compiled by Claire Worrall and printed by our administrator Jackie May.

June' s Outlook will be put together by Helen Pugh

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who will need your articles and information by:

12 noon Monday 25 June

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