

# EYNESHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter  
Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022



## SATURDAY 1<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER

**10 - 12 Tweens Breakfast Club** for 10-13 year olds.

## TUESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

**3.00 p.m. 114 Club** at David and Lin's.

## THURSDAY 6<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

**12 noon Communion** short reflective service at which all are welcome.

## SATURDAY 8<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

**9.30 a.m. - 12 noon Church Clean and Garden Tidy.** Please come along and lend a hand if you can.

## SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER

**12.00 noon Church Meeting.**

## SATURDAY 29<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

**10-12 One World Week Sale** in the Square (if fine).

## SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER



**COMMUNION SERVICE**  
at 10.30 a.m.

Led by Janet Gaukroger  
Preacher - Revd Dr Zoltan Biro

The Harvest is plentiful (Matthew 9: 27-38)

**Monetary gifts will go to BMS.**  
**Non-perishable food items will go to Eynsham Food Bank.**

### **'THE WORK OF OUR HANDS'**

As part of our celebration of Harvest please bring to church something that demonstrates 'the work of your hands'. Fruit, vegetables or flowers from your garden; something that symbolises the paid work you do; examples of a hobby or passion ... you get the idea! We will not be keeping whatever you bring - we simply want a visual of the breadth of what we represent - so please take it home with you afterwards.

**LUNCH**  
**will follow the service**

*The service is Livestreamed. If you prefer not to be on camera please let us know.*

## BIRTHDAYS IN OCTOBER

Marta - 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Denise L. - 18<sup>th</sup>  
Nick W. - 20<sup>th</sup>  
Kathy - 24<sup>th</sup>  
Richard - 27<sup>th</sup>

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## PHIL WHITTAKER

Phil's Funeral will take place on FRIDAY 7<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER at 12.30 p.m. in St. Leonard's Church, Eynsham and will be conducted by Revd Dr Zoltan Biro of Eynsham Baptist Church. **COMMITTAL SERVICE** at 2.00 p.m. at North Oxford Crematorium (Tackley) All are welcome to attend either service. *Men to wear snazzy ties.* Refreshments follow at 3.00 p.m. in Eynsham Baptist Church.

Phil was a loved and respected member of EBC and will be much missed. We send our love and sympathy to Rose praying that she will know God's comfort and sustaining peace.

## **CHRISTMAS CARDS**

Sample cards from the Community of St Clare at Freeland are displayed in the hall so please sign the form if you would like to place an order: money due on delivery. More information is available from Denise.

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While we give thanks for the good things we enjoy, let us not forget to pray for those who do not have even the basics. We pray for the work of aid agencies in this country and around the world who are seeking to improve people's lives.

## **Harvest Field**

All around, confusion,  
All around, helplessness,  
People lost in the bad news of  
every day.

Longing for purpose,  
Searching for security and significance  
Here in the white field of our  
generation.

The harvest is still great,  
The workers are still few,  
But the Lord of the harvest  
Is the same  
Yesterday, today and forever,  
And this is his field.

He planted, he will give growth  
If we will be his workforce  
And go out into the field – where he  
already is –  
To gather the harvest  
Of his kingdom compassion.

Lord of the harvest,  
In your grace, we pray,  
Send us.

*Daphne Kitching*

## **ASYLUM WELCOME**

Asylum Welcome directly helped 2,300 people over the last year, and there is a heart-rending story behind almost each one of them.

We can be proud that EBC is one of many local churches, community groups and individuals who support this 'welcoming' of refugees, often families, from Syria, Afghanistan, Ukraine and many other countries, who arrive in Oxford and Oxfordshire.

The welcoming 'drop in' centre in Magdalen Road offers crucial advice on the UK asylum process – which for everyone leads to the key decision affecting their future here. That Home Office decision apart, Asylum Welcome offers help in a range of other practical ways: English lessons, groceries from the foodbank, money from the hardship fund, a bicycle to get around, the youth club, help at school and college, laptops for education, help in resettlement, in finding employment... and so on. No surprise that many of the current volunteers came to Britain as refugees. There is also important work to strengthen refugee groups themselves so they can better help their own communities.

Asylum Welcome's Annual Review of the last year makes interesting reading. It summarises the different services, the numbers, and what is spent on each of the services. I've put a few copies on our Sunday morning 'coffee table', so we can better inform ourselves how well our support is used.

## **Marcus Thompson**

Donations for Asylum Welcome are always welcomed: speak to Marcus on 01865 881808 for more information.

## **EYNESHAM FOOD BANK**

**Call on 07450 328530 for help.** Food donations are welcomed at Co-op, Spar, Market Garden and Tesco. Contact Bob Thiele on 07738 063083 for details of how to give financially.

## **DAILY HOPE - 0800 804 8044**

The Church of England's **FREE 24 hour phone line** offering music, prayers, reflections and services.

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