

# EYNESHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2023



## SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER

### **10.30 a.m. COMMUNION SERVICE**

Led by Revd Dr Zoltan Biro

**HARVEST SERIES: Joy that surpasses all understanding:** the source of joy is God  
(Psalm 63: 1-5, Galatians 5: 22-23)

Livestream:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXSLz5V86D98t1FqLLAwWlg/live>

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## TUESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

**10.30 - 12.00 noon BMS Coffee Morning** in the hall.

**3.00 p.m. 114 Club** at David & Lin's. A sociable time playing rummikub & crib.

## THURSDAY 7<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

**12.00 noon Communion** a short, reflective service - all are welcome.

**12.30 - 1.00 p.m. Time of Prayer** in the church hall. As from Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September, there will be a church prayer meeting twice a month on 1st & 4th Thursdays led by Malcolm and Barbara Cook. If you are not able to come to the church, perhaps you could pray with us wherever you may be. We have the assurance that as we pray together God will respond in blessing.

## FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

**5 - 7 p.m. Tweens** youth group meet for games, food and discussion. Please pray for these young people as they negotiate modern life, and for Zoltan, June and Sue as they help them learn more of God's love for them.

## SATURDAY 9<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

**OHCT Ride and Stride** (Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust).

## SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

### **EBC 'AWAY DAY' AT HOME!**

**10.30 - 11.15 a.m. All-Age Family Service**

**11.15 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.** Conversation with younger families about their needs, lifestyle.

**12.30 p.m. - 1.30 p.m. Bring & Share Lunch** for everyone.

**1.45 p.m. - 2.45 p.m.** a conversation about Care and Support at EBC.

**3.00 p.m. Songs of Praise** - Café Style service with tea & cake when we are joined by people from the other churches.

## SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

**12.00 noon Special Church Meeting** - A time to pray and reflect together on the future ministry and mission following the issues raised at the last Church Meeting. The meeting will be facilitated by Revd Clare Hooper, Co-Team Leader SCBA.

## SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

**10.30 a.m. Harvest Service at EBC.** Donations welcomed for Eynsham Food Bank, monetary donations for BMS.

**3.00 - 5.00 p.m. Harvest Event in the Square** with BBQ and visiting farm! A village event arranged by Eynsham's 3 Churches.

## SATURDAY 21<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER

**10 - 12 One World Week Sale**, in the Square if fine, otherwise in EBC. June has taken over organizing this and she would be glad of offers of help to run the stalls, or of items for sale. The Tweens will be having a stall for Bronze Healthcare and would appreciate any bric-a-brac or toiletries, jewellery, scarves, knitted items etc. Please speak to June if you can help.

**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- Mary P. - 1<sup>st</sup>
- Angel - 2<sup>nd</sup>
- William - 17<sup>th</sup>
- Lucy - 17<sup>th</sup>
- Margaret H. - 19<sup>th</sup>
- Noah - 19<sup>th</sup>
- Rebecca - 28<sup>th</sup>



We pray for God's guidance in all we do at EBC and that His will might be done in our mission and witness.

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We pray especially for members of our church family who are ill or sad; for all who are anxious; for those struggling with difficult decisions and for the bereaved. We pray that all would know God's peace, comfort and leading.

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We pray for our junior church who might be nervous at the start of a new school term. Perhaps they are worried about starting school for the first time, about changing schools, or about the challenges they might face in the school environment. May they know that God is always with them.

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*If anyone has an issue for which they would like the church to pray, please let Lin know and it can be included in the weekly newsletter. Initials could be given if appropriate, but identifying names will not be shared without express permission.*

**CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES**

Sending shoeboxes to Romania, Moldova, Ukraine and Bulgaria. If you could help by a) filling a box, or b) could provide some items to go in the boxes, that would be greatly appreciated: see the list below. Any monetary donations are also very welcome. **EMPTY SHOEBOXES** are urgently needed too so please check your lofts and garages! Please speak to Gill or Sheila for more information.

**N.B. if you are actually filling a box yourself you need to pick up a leaflet from church which has full instructions and which needs to go with the box. Boxes need to be done before 5<sup>th</sup> November ready for shipping.**

Thank you.



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1. We want everyone to receive a fun and useful box of new and unused gifts so every shoebox should contain all items in this blue box.

<input type="checkbox"/> Gloves or Scarf or Hat (new or knitted) <input type="checkbox"/> Sweets or Chocolates (BB June 2024 EU Origin) <input type="checkbox"/> Soap & Flannel	<input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrushes & Toothpaste <input type="checkbox"/> Candles or Tealights & Holders* <input type="checkbox"/> Small Games (Travel Size Draughts/Dominoes/Playing Cards)
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\*Holder is for safety and stability

2. Then please **ADD 5 or more items** (at least one of each item) from the **Red Box** for a **Family Shoebox** OR from the **Purple Box** to make a **Unisex Elderly Shoebox**.

**FAMILY**

- Colouring Pads (A5)
- Crayons/Pencils (with rubber and sharpener)
- Small Toys (yo-yo, skipping rope, toy cars)
- Soft toy/teddy (with CE label)
- Tape Measure/DIY Tool
- Sewing Kit
- Shampoo (max 300ml)
- Solar-Powered Calculator
- Safety Razors
- Hairbrush/Comb
- Other Gifts .....

OR

**ELDERLY (UNISEX)**

- Reading Glasses/Magnifier (max +2 strength)
- Mug/Wooden Spoon/Cutlery
- Sensory Item (eg Bean Bag, Lavender Bag, Stress Ball etc)
- Hot Water Bottle
- Work Gloves
- Pen and Paper
- Socks/Tights (NEW)
- Wind-Up Radio/Torch
- Shampoo (max 300ml)
- Scissors/Nail Clippers
- Safety Razors
- Other Gifts .....

For other gift ideas go to [www.linktohope.co.uk](http://www.linktohope.co.uk)  
 Please try to reduce the amount of packaging in your shoebox.

## **CONTACTS**

### **EYNESHAM FOOD BANK**

Call on **07450 328530** if needing help. Food donations welcomed in Co-op, Spar and Market Garden  
<https://bit.ly/Eynsham-FB>

### **ASYLUM WELCOME**

Marcus Thompson 01865 881808  
<https://www.asylum-welcome.org/>

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

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

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