

# EYNESHAM BAPTIST CHURCH



Newsletter – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2024

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## Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**10 - 12** A session for those interested in helping with care & support. All are welcome.

## SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2024

**9.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. Gatehouse** drop off donations at 15 Newland Street - *only at these times please*. Gatehouse also welcome men's warm clothing, hats, scarfs etc.

### **10.30. a.m. SERVICE at EBC**

Led by Janet Gaukroger  
Preacher Revd Zoltan Biro

**Unity in Christ.** Christological perspective: Unity happens around the cross  
(Philippians. 2: 1-12)

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

**3.00 p.m.**



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## THIS WEEK

### Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2024

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

### Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**8.00 p.m. Online Bible Study** - Week 3:  
Unity around the Cross (Philippians 2:1 -12)  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88379697959>  
(Meeting ID: 883 7969 7959 – no password)

**N.B.** We are considering a 7pm start time (*from next week*) and could also move to a different day if that is helpful. Please email Nick direct about this on [njwood@hotmail.com](mailto:njwood@hotmail.com)

### Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**10.30 a.m. Bible Study** led by Zoltan.  
Meets on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays in the hall - all are welcome.

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

**12.30 - 1.00 p.m. Prayer Time** on 1<sup>st</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays: we meet in the hall, but are encouraged to pray where we are.

## Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**GROWING LEADERS** Cluster Course  
Our church is part of the North Oxfordshire Baptist Cluster, and as a cluster we want to encourage, equip and empower new and emerging leaders to make a difference on their frontlines in our region - whether this is the church, community or workplace. To help do this we're planning to run the Growing Leaders course (a resource from CPAS) over 2024. It will be for anyone who has an inkling that God might be wanting to grow in them a potential or confirmed leadership gift and so influence others for the sake of the Kingdom.

The course is free and **starts on 27<sup>th</sup> January 2024**, but involves a commitment to attending two Saturday away days (9am - 4.30pm), and eight Tuesday evening sessions (7.15pm for 7.30pm start - 9.30pm). There are also a few simple projects to complete, and participants will be linked up with a mentor or peer mentor to help them reflect between sessions. **To find out more please speak to Zoltan.**

## FURTHER AHEAD

### Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February

**10.30 a.m. Coffee Morning** in the hall.

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**12.00 noon Church Lunch** and open discussion.

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**12.00 noon Special Church Meeting** looking at future ministry and mission of the church.

### Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024

**Lent Away Day** at Freeland Convent. There will be a signing-up form in due course.

## Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March

**9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. First Aid Training at EBC** in the hall. Thames Training will be running a basic First Aid course for all of us involved with groups for children, young people or adults in the church. We need qualified First Aiders to comply with our Safeguarding and Health and Safety procedures. There is a signing up list available at coffee time after church. Numbers are limited to about 15. For more details please speak to Maureen.

## Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024

**12.00 p.m. Church AGM** Some of our Deacons will be standing down at this meeting so we will have vacancies on the Diaconate which need to be filled. Please prayerfully consider if you are being called to this important role in the life of the church. You can nominate yourself or someone else. **Nomination forms will be available on the coffee table from 4<sup>th</sup> February and nominations close on 18<sup>th</sup> February.**

## EVEN FURTHER AHEAD !

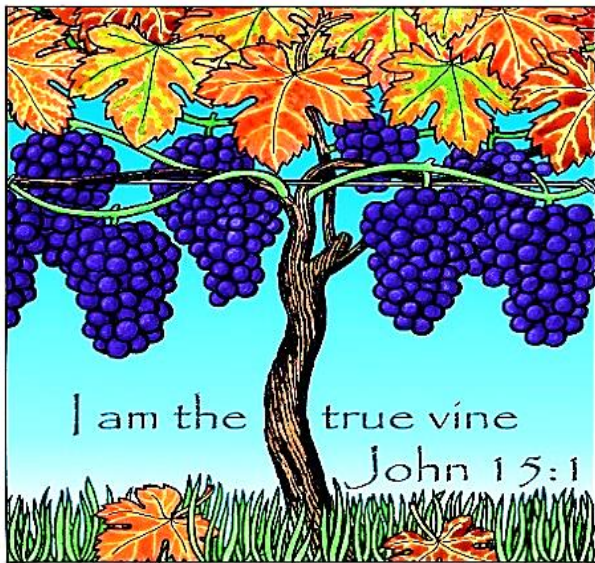
### Friday 17<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024

**Baptist Assembly** at Telford. Zoltan will already be attending as our minister but, as was mentioned at the recent church meeting, anyone from EBC is welcome to attend as EBC's delegate, expenses paid by the church. Please speak to Zoltan or one of the Deacons **as soon as possible** as places quickly get booked up.



Please continue to hold Grace in your prayers, and all other members of our church family who are ill at present.

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**  
18<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024



This year's Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has been prepared by the Monastic Community of Grandchamp in Switzerland. The theme, "**Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit**", based on John 15:1-17, expresses their vocation to prayer, reconciliation and unity in the Church and the human family, to which we can all aspire.

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**SHOEBOXES**

If you want to re-gift anything you received this Christmas there is a box in Church until the end of January.

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**Please note** Sue Law's correct email address is [suelawebc@yahoo.com](mailto:suelawebc@yahoo.com) Correspondence sent to any previous email address may not receive a response.

**CONTACT NUMBERS**

**EYNESHAM FOOD BANK**

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

**ASYLUM WELCOME**

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