

# EYNESHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter – Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2025

## SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> AUGUST

**MORNING SERVICE** *5<sup>th</sup> Sunday*

**Led by Janet Gaukroger**

**Preacher Stephen Gaukroger**

*‘Jesus and the children’ (Matthew 19: 13-15)*

Come and join us as we celebrate all that we have enjoyed and learned together from the stories of children in the Bible this month. Refreshments will be served BEFORE the service, from 10.15 a.m. so do come early to enjoy croissants, brioche and doughnuts. (And fruit for those who want to be healthy!)

## THIS WEEK

### Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September

**10.00 a.m. COFFEE MORNING** + Derek's cards and bric-a-brac.

**NO NOON COMMUNION** restarts on 11<sup>th</sup> September.

### Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September

**2.30 p.m. INDUCTION SERVICE** for Revd Dr Zoltan Biro at Abbey Baptist Church, Reading: if you want to go, but haven't yet signed the list **please speak to Bob without delay.**

### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September

**9a.m. - 1p.m. GATEHOUSE** Drop donations at 15 Newland Street (*these times only please*). Gatehouse welcomes all the usual donations.

**3.00 p.m. SONGS OF PRAISE** Favourite hymns + refreshments. More offers of cake always very welcome: **please speak to June** so she can co-ordinate.

**3.00 p.m. EMERGENCY ALERT TEST** The UK Government are testing the UK's Emergency Alerts system on Sunday 7 September at 3.00 pm. During the test, mobile phones will vibrate and make a loud siren sound for roughly ten seconds, *even if they are set to silent*. A message will also appear on phone screens, making it clear the alert is only a test. Full details are on <https://www.gov.uk/alerts>.

## **FURTHER AHEAD**

### **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September**

**2.30 - 4.00 p.m. 114 CLUB RE-BOOT!** **earlier start and finish times.** A sociable time playing board games at David and Lin's. We may need to have some flexibility about how we continue to meet from week to week, but any changes will be notified in the newsletter.

### **September 10<sup>th</sup> - December 10<sup>th</sup>**

**7.30 - 9.00 p.m. WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY** with Bob and Janet is back! This autumn we will study the book of Ephesians. September 10<sup>th</sup> through December 10<sup>th</sup>, with one week off in October during half term (Oct 29). Put Wednesdays in your diary! 7.30 - 9.00 p.m. (at Janet's house).

### **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

**9a.m. - 6p.m. OHCT RIDE + STRIDE** (Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust).  
**2.00 p.m. EYNSHAM VILLAGE SHOW** in the Village Hall, Back Lane.

### **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September**

**11:15 a.m. - 2.00 p.m. PILGRIMAGE FOR THE PLANET** by Christian Climate Action (*details sent from SCBA-Southern Counties Baptist Association*) Starts Blackfriars Priory in St Giles, Oxford and ends at St Frideswide Church, Botley Road. There will be 7 prayer stops along the way: you can join or leave at any point. Full details at <https://christianclimateaction.org/events/>

### **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October**

**10.30 a.m. HARVEST SERVICE** at EBC - All-Age Service.  
**3.00 p.m. SONGS OF PRAISE** Favourite Harvest hymns + tea and cake!

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## **AUGUST OASIS**

**A BIG THANK YOU** to all the team from the three churches who worked so hard in running OASIS. It was particularly challenging this year as on the day it was well over 30 degrees! Everyone had a really good time and feedback was overwhelmingly positive.

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## **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

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| 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Mary P.   | 17 <sup>th</sup> | William   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | Angel     | 17 <sup>th</sup> | Lucy      |
| 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Faith     | 19 <sup>th</sup> | Margaret  |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> | Pamela K. | 19 <sup>th</sup> | Noah      |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> | Lisa      | 22 <sup>nd</sup> | Priscilla |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> | Adedotun  | 28 <sup>th</sup> | Rebecca   |

## Update from Zoltan and Marta Biro

“A quick update! The move went as well as moves go. Still lots of unpacking to do. Our new contact details are:

6 Harcourt Drive  
Wokingham  
Berkshire  
RG6 5TJ  
Landline: 0118 304 3678  
Mobile: 07846 653457  
Work Email: [minister.abbeybaptist.reading@gmail.com](mailto:minister.abbeybaptist.reading@gmail.com)

**And ...**

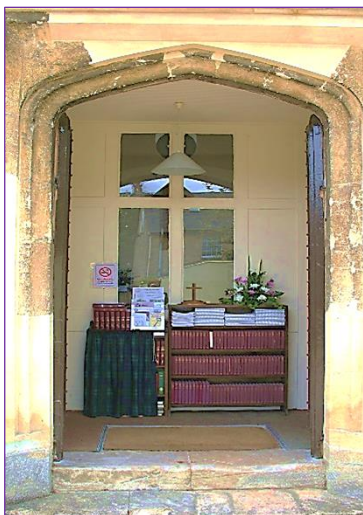
we send CONGRATULATIONS to Patrik who got all As and Bs in his GCSEs !

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## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- EBC Deacons and Transition Team as they liaise with the EBC family in seeking God's will. We pray that His will be made clear to us in the days ahead;
- All in our church family with ongoing health and mobility issues. We particularly pray for those unable to physically get to services because of illness or frailty.
- Those who are worried for themselves or for family members who are ill, or dealing with difficult issues; that they will know they are in our thoughts and prayers and that God's presence is always with them;

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**GATHER US IN** the lost and lonely, the broken and breaking, the tired and aching who long for the nourishment found at your feast.

**GATHER US IN** the done and the doubting, the wishing and wondering, the puzzled and pondering who long for the company found at your feast.

**GATHER US IN** the proud and pretentious, the sure and superior, the never inferior, who long for the levelling found at your feast.

**GATHER US IN** the bright and the bustling, the stirrers, the shakers, the kind laughter makers who long for the deeper joys found at your feast.

**GATHER US IN** from corner or limelight, from mansion or campsite, from fears and obsession, from tears and depression, from untold excesses, from treasured successes, to meet, to eat, be given a seat, be joined to the vine, be offered new wine, become like the least, be found at the feast.

**Amen.**

## **TIME TO GET KNITTING AGAIN ?**



Barbara will be grateful for any knitted items for the Christmas shoebox appeal: children's clothes, adult hats, scarves, mittens etc: **they will be needed by end October.** Please speak to Barbara for more details.

## **ALSO ....**

If anyone already has items for **Bronze Healthcare** please let June have them **as soon as possible** as we hope to send these to Uganda shortly.

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### **MINISTER** - post vacant

[minister@eynshambaptistchurch.co.uk](mailto:minister@eynshambaptistchurch.co.uk)

### **DEACONS**

Maureen Thompson, June Poole and Bob Thiele

### **CONTACTS**

#### **Asylum Welcome**

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

#### **Care and Support**

Denise Launchbury - 01865 881128  
Malcolm & Barbara Cook - 07896 271905  
or 01865 375730

#### **Food Bank**

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

### **Hall Bookings**

Rebecca Carley - 07554 012535  
[bookings@eynshambaptistchurch.co.uk](mailto:bookings@eynshambaptistchurch.co.uk)

### **Lunch Club**

Maureen - 01865 881808  
Pamela - 01865 426203

### **Messy Church**

Maureen - 01865 881808  
June - 01865 375130  
Sue - 07796 955472

### **Newsletter**

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Available on church website and by email  
Print Deadline mid-day Fridays  
(*subject to space/editorial discretion*)

### **Teens**

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