… and finally

ADVANCE NOTICE - Our annual general meeting will take place on Thursday, July 25th at 7pm. As you know our diaconate has shrunk to 5 over the past year - and that means we are all getting very tired! Can you help? Is God calling you to join the team? Do you recognise gifts in other people that indicate that they might be suitable to share in the responsibility of guiding this church? If this rings a bell, then please talk to one of the deacons and we will tell you more!

John and Brenda need to be re-elected at the meeting but they will need to be proposed and seconded by church members – and that is the responsibility of the membership rather than the deacons. Nomination forms will be available at the back of the church or from Clive. New possible deacons will also need to be proposed and seconded.

FIRST RESPONDER – Simon will be acting as first responder for all urgent matters, so do contact him in the case of emergencies. For less urgent problems, please use our pastoral care system by contacting your pastoral group coordinator.

WE NEED YOUR PRAYERS – Brian Goldsmith has next hospital appointment on Monday (the day after my 88th birthday!) with a a skin specialist as part of an ongoing treatment plan. Mary Bullock is also is currently residing at the Royal Garden Hotel as she struggles to get over her recent infection. Peter Kaufman is back at home but still struggling to get over his recent illness. He has to rest a lot but Joyce feels he is beginning to get a little stronger and he evened started to do crosswords again. Joyce is also feeling extremely tired, so pray for them both. Malcom and Barbara still urgently need our prayers as Malcolm continues to struggle and Barbara is mentally and physically drained. Please pray for God's guidance as to the next steps they should take. Pray too for God's peace to descend on their home and that they feel His presence with them. t's been a difficult week for many of our congregation. Mavis continues to struggle and also needs our prayers. Please pray for healing, Mo also needs our prayers as she settles in at Westergate House Care Home, Fontwell.

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ABC NEWS



'Evangelism is one beggar telling another beggar where to get bread.' Charles Spurgeon.

Sunday 9th June 2024

Series: Bold Witness - Empowering Every Believer to Evangelise

"The Heart of Evangelism"

Romans 10:1-15 & 2 Corinthians 5:20

Paul Cox

THIS WEEKEND'S WORSHIP SERVICE – Brenda's band will be leading worship at our service. Today we will be returning to our series, Bold Witness - Empowering Every Believer to Evangelise, as we continue to emphasise the importance of personal evangelism within our family, friend and neighbours. Today we will be welcoming Paul Cox, the minister of Southbourne Free Church, as he preaches to us on "The heart of the Gospel" based on Romans 10:1-15 and 2 Corinthians 5:20. In a reciprocal arrangement , Simon is preaching at Southbourne Free Church this morning.

Of course, we do hope you can join us for the service in the church but if you can't actually join us, you will be able to access the service at any time by going to: https://www.aldwickbaptist.co.uk/category/current-sermons

TODAY'S FLOWERS – The flowers today have been donated by Daphne in memory of her twin brother Graham.

"EXCELLENCE IN SAFEGUARDING" TRAINING COURSE - Saturday 6th July - We are extremely grateful for all those who volunteer to help out with various activities in the church involving young people and vulnerable adults. In fact without you, we would not be in a position to provide these activities. That said we are, as a church, responsible for those in our charge and more so if we are involved directly with young people and adults who are particularly vulnerable.

To this end we are holding a training event in our church on Saturday 6th July. The day will be divided into morning and afternoon sessions providing training in Levels 2 and 3.

At the back of the church there are details of the course and information to help in deciding who will need to attend the training, whether for the whole day or half a day. Should you have any questions please see either John Smith or Bev McAlpine.

FRANK IS OUT AND ABOUT – Frank continues on he one mission to take God's word into our local primary schools and would welcome your prayers. This week he will be at Fishbourne on Tuesday and Nyewood on Thursday. Do pray for safe travel and open hearts.

SEBA HOME MISSION FOCUS FOR JUNE 2024 - Every month we receive a Home Mission Focus from Paul Kerley which is usually in the form of a short video from one of our Home Mission supported churches. This month the SEBA Focus is on Good News where their Minister is Revd. Neil Hilton To view the video click on one of the following links.

https://www.seba-baptist.org.uk/?show_media=324719&show_file=360940

or https://youtu.be/bvT-09EOnZs

This week, Arthur reminds us that we have a glorious future to look forward to where we will find "everlasting happiness".

"Everlasting Happiness"

I have a vision of Heaven,
What a glorious place to be,
Love and joy
For all eternity.
No more fear, no more doubt.
No more temptation.
Beautiful music with choirs of angels
Singing beyond imagination.
Love will overwhelm us.
No more sorrow, no more pain
And how wonderful to be
With our loved ones once again.
Yes, I have a vision of Heaven.
No words can really express.
For the everlasting happiness.

Arthur Magee

IT'S HERE – Our SUMMER TREASURE HUNT & CREAM TEA CELEBRATION – NEXT SATURDAY – Our popular Treasure Hunt and Cream Tea Celebration for people of all ages within our church congregation and community returns next Saturday. This year we will be adding to the Treasure Hunt and cream tea a Bouncy Castle with a slide for the children as well as a number of other attractions which can be enjoyed by all - including the vintage van which made an appearance at a previous celebration. This is your last call to book a slot for you and your friends. There is no charge for this event - it is our privilege to ask you to be our guest and we look forward to seeing a good number of you next Saturday – BUT YOU MUST BOOK! Please email or contact Clive if you want to make a late booking. Clive's details are on the back of the news sheet.

DAVID AND THE DENTIST – Please continue to pray for David as he has can continue to pray for his forthcoming dental treatment as he has two fillings due on Thurs 10th June, and two extractions due on wed 26th June. David would like to thank you for your prayers and for your generous help will his expenses.