

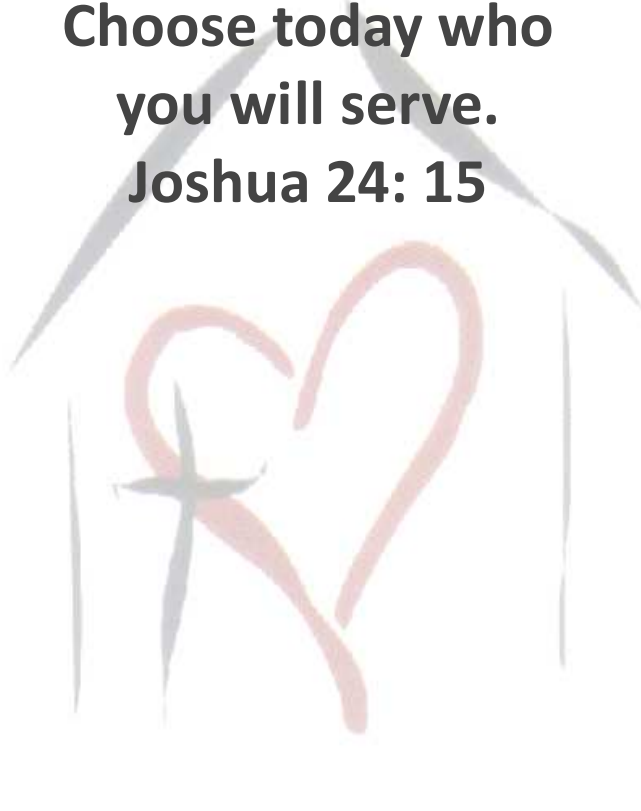


Newsletter

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June 2009

Choose today who
you will serve.
Joshua 24: 15



Visit our Website -
www.rehoboth.org.uk

Time To Choose

When it comes to religion there are plenty of people around ready to air their opinions. Perhaps you have found yourself drawn into a conversation with someone who declares himself to be an atheist with the discussion seeming to end up as an argument. I can remember a couple of times when something like that happened to me. In both cases the atheists proceeded to bombard me with ridiculous questions about God, which, even though one attempted to answer and explain, I was not given the opportunity before another question was fired. It was quite clear that the persons concerned just didn't want to listen to any reasoned statement about Christianity, but to just shout their mocking nonsense the louder. Actually that reminds me of a preacher's sermon notes that were found lying around by someone. He noted comments in the margin to help in his delivery of the message. At one point he read 'Weak point – shout louder!'

There will always be those who are determined not to believe, come what may. They dismiss the claims of Jesus as just another man's ideas. Now, while I can understand that an atheist or sceptic might feel that way, what does amaze me is the number of people who attend church regularly, who have heard those claims of Christ and the promises of eternal life in him, yet who never seem to show any sign, outwardly at any rate, that they believe it and will respond to it.

Can we assume that most people who attend church do at least believe there is a God, or surely they wouldn't be there? Yet, if we believe God exists and has revealed himself to us through the Bible, and if we believe that the Bible clearly teaches that Jesus Christ was God's Son in the flesh, then surely we ought to obey what he says there. We ought to believe in him, repent of our sins, acknowledge our need of his forgiveness and gift of salvation – and then testify to that fact in baptism and service for him.

The Bible is the divinely powerful Word of God, with the authority to transform lives radically, even today, in the 21st century. To those who doubted his words, Jesus lays down this challenge:

“If anyone chooses to do God's will, he will find out whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own.”

John 7:17

Have you made that choice?

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World Mission

caringforlife.co.uk



'Caring for Life' is a work started in Leeds by Peter Parkinson, a former Baptist pastor. The main objective and vision of this work has been, and still is, providing training and work opportunities for people with special needs within a loving and Christ centred environment. Currently they have an Adult Learning Centre, a farm, a café and a farm shop. This work relies on the prayers and giving of God's people.

It is a place where people are discovering and experiencing the love of Jesus and where they are being confronted by the reality of that love, which some have never considered in their lives before. In Peter's words,

"Our call is to help people to lift their eyes above the transient and passing things of this world and to fix them on Jesus."

God - our Refuge and our Strength

Sandra Piggott

An invitation - from Simon & Bethan Mason

God willing, we will be holding a cream tea in our garden in aid of;

The Raising Hope Foundation (registered charity)

...to help raise funds for the orphanage in Ghana.

Date: Sunday 14th June.

Time: 3.30-6pm

Place: 3 Nymans Close, Horsham



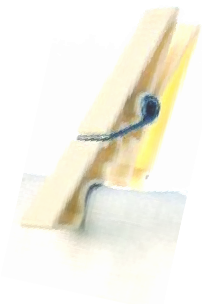
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Everyone welcome. Feel free to bring friends!!!

Simon and Bethan

To him who is able to do
immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine,
according to his power that is at work within us, be glory

Fellowship News



Giving thanks - For Health and Wealth

Pete & Sue Bradstock having recovered from illness and accident.

For heart surgery safely undertaken on Rick Warner. We pray that the surgery undertaken will prove helpful to him day by day.

For the Lord's help for those nearing completion or having completed exams.

Giving thanks - For Answered Prayer

We would like to thank all of you who prayed for our grandson while he was serving in Afghanistan. He is now safely home from his tour of duty and we can testify to God's wonderful peace in our hearts while he was in that hostile environment.

We continue to be amazed at God's grace and answer to prayer. All the praise and glory go to Him, our Father and our Redeemer.

Yours in Christ Jesus,
John & Valerie

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed upon thee, because he trusteth in thee."

Isaiah 26: 3 (KJV)

Continue Praying for -

Gerald Flauteur who has a cataract operation on 1st June, asking that it will be successful and that he might know the peace of the Lord in it.

The Christianity Explored course which has now commenced asking, that it will be helpful to those undertaking it and a blessing to all those involved.

Those yet to secure new jobs and those whose job security is uncertain.



Association Prayer Diary

June 07 WANDSWORTH (R Pountney) We give thanks for a wonderful baptism service held on Easter Sunday where we celebrated not only the great victory of the gospel as our Lord revealed His authority over death but we witnessed the relevance of that great event in the lives of our young people through their testimony. We thank God too for another young lady who was baptised on Sunday 26th April which was our mission Sunday.

The AGBC(EA) Annual Tents Meetings are scheduled for 5th and 6th of June.

14 KING'S LANGLEY (M Davies) Please pray:
That three new children attending our Sunday School will receive blessing from the teaching; for their parents - contacted through the door to door visitation in March and for our outreach at our monthly coffee mornings and the book table in the High Street and at the Carnival on Saturday 20th June. Give thanks for our 175th Anniversary service on Saturday 4th July and for another year of rich blessing to the Church and also for 12 young folk attending the Youth Club and who here the Gospel every week.

21 SOUTHEND (R Ninnis) We are grateful to God for every evidence of his love amongst us ~ we would particularly ask you to pray for our youth work as we consider ways of reorganising it.

28 THAMESMEAD We are thankful for new activities: a teen group, a children's club and a discussion Bible study group. Pray God may bless these and our Sunday meetings.

Spring Harvest 2010

DIFFERENT EYES

It may seem early to think about next Spring, but booking for Spring Harvest opens **10th June 2009**.

Jo Curtis will be placing our bookings and needs to know if you are coming before that date.

If you're not sure what to do, or would like more information, have a word with Jo on 07732 902 584

Or, you can go to the Spring Harvest website for details www.springharvest.org

Dates for 2010 Spring Harvest:

Week 1: Saturday 3 - Thursday 8 April 2010

Week 2: Thursday 8 - Tuesday 13 April 2010

Week 3: Tuesday 13 - Sunday 18 April 2010

JUNE CALENDAR

Monday	1st	10.30am	Little Verse & LV 2 (Rehoboth)
Wednesday	3rd	8.00pm	Prayer & Bible Study : 186 New Street
Thursday	4th	8.00pm 8.00pm	Banner Group Tear Fund Supporters Group: Rehoboth
Friday	5th	10.30am 7.00pm 8.00pm	WAM Bible Study: 54 Blakesfarm Rd. S'water Christianity Explored: Barrington House Pathfinders
Saturday	6th	8.30am	Men's Breakfast: David Wilcox (GBM Macedonia)
SUNDAY	7th	10.30am 6.30pm	WORSHIP SERVICES Brian Moody (Epsom) + Communion Brian Moody (Epsom)
Monday	8th	10.30am	Little Verse & LV 2 (Rehoboth)
Tuesday	9th	2.30pm	Afternoon Fellowship: Carol Shepherd
Wednesday	10th	8.00pm	Prayer & Bible Study: 16 Little Bridges Close, Southwater
Friday	12th	10.00am 7.00pm 8.00pm	WAM Bible Study: 70 Blackbridge Lane Christianity Explored: Barrington House Pathfinders
Saturday	13th	8.30am	Early Prayer - Led by Rachel Cooke
SUNDAY	14th	10.30am 6.30pm 3.30 –6.00pm 8.00pm	WORSHIP SERVICES Jonathan Gooch (Bromley) Jonathan Gooch (Bromley) Cream tea 3 Nymans Close (see item) Outreach UK prayer meeting 8pm
Monday	15th	8.00pm	Horsham Christian Singers: Broadbridge Heath Village Centre
Wednesday	17th	10.30am 8.00pm	Gillette House Service Church Members Meeting

Friday	19th	10.30am 7.00pm 8.00pm	WAM B/S: 8 Uppark Gardens Christianity Explored: Barrington House Pathfinders
Saturday	20th	8.30am	Early Prayer - Led by Kevin Borrett
SUNDAY	21st	10.30am 6.30pm	WORSHIP SERVICES Kevin Borrett David Ansell + Communion
Monday	22nd	10.30am	Little Verse & LV 2 (Rehoboth)
Tuesday	23rd	2.30pm	Afternoon Fellowship: Kevin Rand
Wednesday	24th	10.30am 8.00pm	Greenways Service Prayer & Bible Study: 165 Tanbridge Park
Friday	26th	10.00am 7.00pm 8.00pm	WAM Coffee: 9 Macleod Rd Christianity Explored: Barrington House Pathfinders
Saturday	27th	8.30am 4.30—6.30pm	Early Prayer - Led by Kevin Borrett Church Barbecue in church garden
SUNDAY	28th	10.30am 6.30pm	WORSHIP SERVICES Mark Drury Mark Drury
Monday	29th	10.30am	Little Verse & LV 2 (Rehoboth)

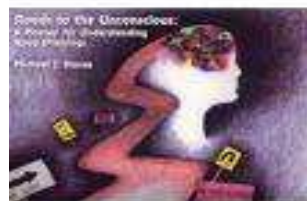
Preaching out

7th Charwood David Ansell
21st Copthorne Steve Piggott pm
28th Twickenham S S Ann Steve Piggott pm



Roads for prayer:

Oakhill Road and Clarence Road





GENERAL INFORMATION

Sunday Morning Worship

Our young people join us for the first part of our Sunday morning services and then have their own groups:-

Crèche: Babies and Toddlers
Primary: Pre-school, Reception & Years 1 & 2
Junior: Years 3, 4 & 5
Intermediate: Years 6, 7 & 8
Senior: Years 9, 10 & 11

For further information phone 01403 250021

Prayer & Bible Study meetings

These meetings are held on a Wednesday evening at 8pm, either at the church or in various members' homes.

For further information phone 01403 266193

WAM—Young Mum's Group

This group meets at 10am on Friday mornings in various homes and a crèche is provided for children.

For further information phone 01403 241067

Afternoon Fellowship

This group meets fortnightly on Tuesday afternoons at 2.30pm.

For further information phone 01403 263397

Little Verse

For parents with babies or toddlers. Meets Monday mornings at 10.30am. Singing & action songs followed by coffee or tea and chat

And now **Little Verse 2** for 2+ aged children

For further information phone 01403 255055

Pathfinders

This Group, for young people in school years 6, 7 & 8, meets at 8pm on Friday evenings.

For further information phone 01403 250021

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