

WEEKLY NEWS

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As a Church, we want to bring people to know Jesus, and into membership of His family; to develop, encourage and motivate them to worship God and to serve Him in the Church and the community

MORNING

Introducing Jesus: Can you see Him clearly?

Mark 8: 22 -30

The whole of the Christian faith is centred not in a system or a place, nor even in a set of doctrines or beliefs or practices, but rather, in a Person. That person is Jesus Christ. He is both the centre and the source. This should not surprise us since after all every created thing was created for Him and not just by and through Him. Unlike any other religious teacher Jesus didn't point away from Himself to God, instead His teaching was directed towards Himself calling people to come to Him.

Often in our age we come face to face with machines and we long to actually deal with a person. Many phone calls place us in automated services which never really allow us to find a section that fits our needs, if only we could speak to a human! But then sometimes the human we finally encounter is short on mercy and compassion and seems to lack any understanding and/or willingness to help. Imagine if the person we finally got through to was both willing and able to help, had our best interests at heart and was available 24/7. That is the type of Person that the whole of the Christian faith is focussed and based upon. May we see Him afresh .

Evening

Romans 12: 3 -8

A renewed mind comes from gazing upon Christ. To the degree that we gaze upon Him, so is the degree of our transformation. But what does that look like? Given that we live in an individualistic society we might automatically begin to think of the believer's transformed life in isolation, but that is not the New Testament thinking. It starts somewhere else. Come and see where?

Cheryl is not able to see folk just now, she is very tired. If you wish to find out how she is please call Linda or Kenny. Alternatively ring the MacMillan Unit on 01284-713234. The nurses are always happy to 'look in' on Cheryl and take a message to her. This is a request from the family. Thank you for your good wishes and prayers

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Would **ALL** Sunday School Teachers and Helpers please meet at 7.30pm Monday 16th November

The Thanksgiving Service for the Life of our dear friend Mary Hitchcock will be held on Saturday 7th November at 3.00pm. Please remember Michael and the family at this time, that the Lord will sustain them. Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ

For your Prayers:

- Pray for those who have ongoing health problems, but their witness and faith is still strong
- Pray for Pastor Kenny and the Deacons that they may discern the Lord's will for BRBC and the area
- Pray for Cheryl who is in the Macmillan Unit at the West Suffolk Hospital
- Pray for the 'Big Issues in a small room' – that people will want to come and listen and ask questions about the Christian faith
- Praise the Lord for the good congregations coming under the sound of the gospel each week
- Pray for all who help with the music in each department of the church

Challenge Text: "Go into the world. Go everywhere and announce the Message of God's good news to one and all."

Behind the scenes Intermediate FOY (Fellowship of Youth)



Intermediate FOY is our "middle school" age (9 – 12) youth group and meets on a Friday evening between 6.30 and 7.30 in the church lounge. The vision of the leaders is to ensure that Jesus is clearly explained to them and to help the youngsters associate with BRBC. The leaders are always keen to interact



with the parents as they drop off and pick up, especially with the help of "coffee and doughnut" receptions, a popular event that is provided once a month. The evenings are always full of fun, hectic and often chaotic! The programme of activities is always varied and full of action packed ideas such as dodge-ball, snatch the bacon, and biscuit decorating.

Most of the group come from the village of Rougham, and the villages close to the chapel, and for many this is their only contact with BRBC. Numbers are around 15 to 20 and if they are all present, offers a real challenge to the team! The team consists of: Dan & Rachel, Darv, Pastor Kenny, Jan, Tania, Callum, Megan and Gillian. For Jan and Tania this is their first term as part of the team, so do spare a thought for them and especially remember them in your prayer times. This is very demanding and full-on area of work, especially on a Friday evening when most of us are starting to wind down for the weekend. The youngsters are always excited with school having finished and the weekend to look forward to. The team's request for prayer from us, is that the youngsters will quieten enough



to listen to the story at Bible time. Also that there will be no accidents, as space is at a premium with a lot of energy in a confined space!!

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

Today

10.45am & 6.30pm Pastor Kenny
8.00pm Beeton's Lodge

Jonathan Armstrong preaching at Sudbury all day

Tuesday

9.45am Busy Bees
7.30pm United Prayer Meeting at BRBC

Friday

No Junior or Inter FOY
7.15pm Senior Youth

Saturday

8.00am-11.00am Deacons Meeting

3.00pm THANKSGIVING SERVICE FOR THE LIFE OF MARY HITCHCOCK

7.30pm FEAST at Stuart and Beths

Town Pastors: Debbie

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 8TH November

10.45am & 6.30pm Pastor Kenny
Communion follows Evening Service



Stewards: am Dave D & Ian A
pm David B & Stuart

"BIG ISSUES in a small room".

This is a series of talks by Pastor Kenny giving a basic introduction to Christianity. It will run for 4 or 5 weeks, beginning on Thursday 12th November at the Bennett Arms 7.30 for 8.00. Please consider who you could invite to these talks. Some of you already have friends who may be interested.

PRAY about it too!!

Following on from this is a mini 'Alpha Course' planned in January. For more information, please speak to Pastor Kenny.

Tuesday 10th November

Prayer for Zimbabwe at 7.30pm
St Peter's Church, Hospital Road,
Bury St Edmunds

also

CARING FOR LIFE PRESENTATION

At Somersham Village Hall, Church Meadow,
Main Road, Somersham at 7.45pm



ADDRESS LIST FOR BRBC

We are in the process of compiling a new address and contact list for BRBC as the old one is very out of date!

- ➔ If you are currently on the list, please check that your entry is correct. If there are any changes, or details that you wish to add (like an email address), please speak to Brian Burman who has printed forms for you to fill in, or email him on: brianburman@googlemail.com
- ➔ If you are not on the list and would like your details to be added, please also ask Brian for a form

NB: It would be good if everyone who attends BRBC could be on the list



Association Prayer Request.

Waldringfield Baptist Church

- I. We praise the Lord that 4 people testified to faith in Christ by being baptised! Many unbelievers were present to hear the gospel
- II. Last Sunday when again many came to hear the Romanian singers and the Gospel!
- III. We have a further Baptismal Service on 8th November – Praise the Lord
- IV. Pray for some in the Fellowship who are very unwell – and pray that at this time of great blessing, the devil will be kept from infiltrating and disuniting the church.



CONGRATULATIONS!

To Steven and Lou Jones, God's gift of a son,
Samuel John

Born on Monday 26th October weighing 8lbs

Brother for Naomi and Ben

Praise the Lord for this new life, may he grow to know and love the Lord as his Saviour