



NEWS MARCH



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CRAWLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

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PILGRIMS

Tuesday 9th March

Joint Meeting

*Review Meeting

Clothes for Romania may be brought in on the above mentioned date only and left in the Car Park Vestibule.



T-SET

T-Set will meet on 23rd March 2010 at 2.30 pm.



THE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Friendship Club will meet on 16th March 2010 at 2.30 pm.
Everyone welcome!

The Rainbow Lounge
at Crawley Baptist Church

is open on
Wednesdays & Thursdays
Between 11am & 1.30 pm
(last serving at 1.15 pm)

Come along for tea, coffee, freshly made cakes and light lunches

Everyone welcome!

***Please note that the Lounge will be closed on Wednesday, 7th April and Thursday, 8th April.**

ITEMS FOR THE APRIL 2010 CHURCH NEWS

Please forward items for the next newsletter to Tasneem Soloman at news@CrawleyBaptistChurch.org.uk or items can be placed in the tray in the Church Office on or before **Sunday 21st March, 2010.**

Any items received after the above date will either be excluded or, where relevant, included in the following edition.

Please limit articles to a maximum of one A5 page i.e. approx 500 words and include your name and telephone number in case of any queries. Contributors are encouraged to send items by email, wherever possible.

NOTICES

CRAWLEY FLOWER CLUB

The Crawley Floral Arrangement Group welcomes visitors and new members to the monthly demonstrations which take place at Crawley Horti-cultural Hall, Ifield Avenue, West Green. Doors open at 7.30 pm. Car parking is free and plentiful.

Our next few dates are:

Thursday – 11th March

Julie Brownlee - a national demonstrator with lots of fun anecdotes to keep us entertained demonstrates "Glorious Riches"

Thursday – 8th April

Stephen McDonnell presents "Just for Fun" with lots of imaginative floral designs

Thursday – 13th May

Pam Bryant will be using spectacular blooms for a demonstration entitled "Fun with Flowers".

For further information please call on 01293 402905 or visit our website:

<http://crawleyhorticulturalsociety.org.uk/floral-group>

MEN'S MINISTRY

The following Men's events are happening in March 2010:

Saturday 6th March 2010 – Who Let The Dad's Out? – 10.00 am to 11.30 am :

This is a chance for the men of the church to meet and chat with the dad's of pre-school children who normally attend one of the Parent & Toddler mornings each week. This gives the dads an insight into what their children get up to each week at P&T. Therefore, we would like as many men as possible to come along, even if you don't have children or they are outside of the P&T age range. We will be serving bacon butties and other refreshments. Further details are available from Annette Benham, Rita Lansdell and Graham Poole

*Wednesday 17th March 2010 – Skittles
(PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE)*

This popular event is a great evening of skittles, food and drink. It is held in the Bull Inn, London Road, Henfield, West Sussex, BN5 9AD. We have the use of a separate room that contains a skittles alley. It is an event where you can bring along your men friends, colleagues and family without any threat. Men who have come before have been enthusiastic about this event. If you haven't played skittles before, come along and have fun. Cost is £10.00 per person including a buffet and the evening of skittles. We are able to use the bar to purchase drinks. Transport to and from the pub can be provided, leaving the church at 7.30pm (8.00pm at the pub).

Booking required by Sunday 14th March. Please contact Paul Deamer (thedeamers@freeserve.co.uk or 885134) for further details or to book a place.

Future dates for your diary:

24th April

Men's Breakfast

8 am to 10 am

Having to live in the real world – Joint with Crawley churches.

11th-13th June

Men's Weekend

Noel Fellowes (Author of 'KillingTime')

Friday Evening - Young Adults

Saturday Morning - Men's Breakfast

Saturday Afternoon -Activity afternoon

Saturday Evening - Men's Meal

Sunday Morning - Services

Sunday Lunchtime - Family Barbeque

FOR SALE

Extending Oak Dining Table and 6 chairs.

Medium dark Oak

Extended Length : 66" Width : 3 feet

Beautiful carved legs

Chairs are re-upholstered

Solid condition

Price : £100

Contact Jennifer/Steve Pidgeon

USED STAMPS

Many thanks to all who supported the B.M.S. Stamp Bureau with donations during the year ended 31st October 2009. We have been told that our church sent approximately 13100 trimmed and sorted stamps. Our efforts contributed to an overall total of £13,250 raised for the work of B.M.S. World Mission.

Please keep them coming in, but do try not to put loose stamps in the box, as they are very awkward to get out.

Sheila & Jim Tyson

INTERNATIONAL EVENING

'International Evening' is being held on 27th March 2010. This event will start at 5.30pm in the Lounge, there are sign up sheets in reception – for anyone who wants to come and also for anyone who is going to cook for the event, please do sign up, it is a wonderful evening not to be missed.

WANTED

Leslie and Mavis Poole are looking for a Wall China Display Cabinet. Please contact them on 514066 if needed.

CAN YOU HELP?

For many years, Margaret Bloomfield has been arranging for a trip to a local restaurant, e.g. Harvester etc. About 15 older folk enjoy a meal out together about once a month (usually on a Monday) but they haven't been able to go for several months due to lack of transport.

If you feel you can help please give Margaret a call on 435970.

NEWCOMERS LUNCH

We had originally planned to have a Newcomers lunch on 14th March. We now realise that it is Mothering Sunday and so have rescheduled it for Sunday, 28th March. You would be very welcome if you would like to come along and find out more about CBC and meet the staff in a very informal way over a sandwich lunch together. Please do let us know if you would like to come by speaking to Sandra Warner or Ian Phillips so that we know numbers for catering.

HURRY, HURRY, HURRY FOR THE NEXT *NETWORK* COURSE

The next *Network* course will be run by Nikki Larkham and Joe Lansdell on Mondays 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd March from 7.30 pm to 9.45 pm here at CBC. If you are new to the church or if you have yet to experience *Network*, you may not be aware of what it's all about, *so what is Network?*

The *Network* course is a six-session programme spread over the four evening sessions that explores the things that are important to us as individuals, looks at what our particular gifts may be and considers the way God has wired us to best serve Him and those around us. It also looks at the very practical issues of how busy (or not!) we may be at present, our availability, our maturity within the Christian faith and our personal preferences. The course is completed with a personal discussion with members of the leadership team here at CBC to explore further the best way forward in order to serve the LORD.

Are you interested in attending the next *Network* course or just inquisitive? For further details about the course, please speak with either Nikki or Joe who will be pleased to help! And as the next course starts on the day after the March News first becomes available you will need to hurry, hurry, hurry if you would like to join the course! We will be around at Church on Sunday the 28th of February so please do button-hole either of us – we're here to help!

THANK YOU. THANK YOU. THANK YOU!

A great big Thank You from Rita and me for the amazing gift the Church kindly gave me following my retirement as Church Administrator at the end of January. There were tickets (including dinner!) for the London Eye, a West End show and the Summer Proms in the Park – so very much to our liking and which we will enjoy tremendously. Your kindness is appreciated more than you can imagine!

HANDBOOK UPDATE

Add :

Andrew & Grace McGavin
13 Copeland House
Rathlin Road
Broadfield RH11 9GA
Tel : 550524

New Church Members :

Derek & Jackie Voak
Richard Nixon

Worshipping Elsewhere :

Sarah Simmons

Change in Address :

Jim & Sheila Tyson
(from 20th March 2010)
55 Town Mead
West Green, Crawley
RH11 7EG
Tel : Remains the same

Please notify any changes to Leslie/Mavis Poole on:

Tel: 01293 514066

Email:

leslie-poole@supanet.com

'New Homes' cards available from the office or the Welcome Team can be used to greet anyone who has moved in near you recently.

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Demonstrate Christian Love

Love one another as I have loved you.

Please pray for those who are not able to get out as much at this time and encourage them with a note, card or a phone call.

Those unable to get about:

- Doreen Brooker
- Sandy Clark
- Betty Le Feuvre
- Barbara Frost
- Millie Hill
- Doreen Holley
- Isabel Jamieson
- June Moffatt
- Win Sampson
- Christa Stevenson
- Alexandra Thornton
- Monica Thornto
- Phyllis Weeks
- Ethel Wilkinson
- Bernard Worrell
- Mavis & Leslie Poole

Those recovering from surgery or unwell:

- Jackie Futter
- Mair Keeping
- Jim Tattersal
- Margot Wayre in Hospice
- Sandra Yorke

Declare God's Praise

We will be seeing significant changes in the lives of people.



Please remember in your prayers:

- Frances Banks-Broome, part of Oasis counselling team (pregnancy & abortion)
- Les & Barbara Bennett for their work in serving those in broken relationships through Breakthrough.



THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who came to support the Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning which was held in the Lounge at the beginning of December. A total of £80 was raised during the morning.

THANK YOU



Dear friends of the church,

Thank you for thinking of me and sending me cards. I really hope I'll be able to be with you again soon.

The family are all grateful for the continued prayer and for those friends who have been able to visit.

With thanks
Mair Keeping.

THANK YOU



Dear Sandra and all friends at CBC,

Thank you so much for the lovely flowers, grapes and your very best wishes on my recent operation. I am pleased to report that despite not being able to do much, I am doing really well and hopefully will see you all again soon. God Bless you all.

Regards,

Pauline Burke

THE BLESSING LIST

(The following items are being donated. If you are interested in them, please contact the owners directly.)

Item Description

Contact Details

* Steel Frame Garden Swing 8ft wide with 2 swings	Angela Blechynden Tel: 01293 883069
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Item details can be sent by email to: news@CrawleyBaptistChurch.org.uk or placed in the tray in the church office. Please let us know when items from the blessing list have been exchanged successfully – we can then delete them from the list.

Thank you.

PREACHING PROGRAMME FOR MARCH 2010

Morning Service (9.15 am and 11.15 am)

- 7th Comfortably Numb...?
Standing Outside! : Luke 25 - 30
(Children start in church and then go to their classes)
- 14th All Age Worship
Joining together as the family
**Service at 10.30 am *Mothers' Day*
(Children stay with their parents for the entire service)
- 21st Comfortably Numb...?
Mirror, Mirror... : Luke 15 v 28 - 31
**Communion*
(Children start in church and then go to their classes)
- 28th Comfortably Numb...?
Becoming Father? : Luke 15 v 28 – 32
**Palm Sunday*
(Children start in church and then go to their classes)

Evening Service (6:30 pm)

- 7th Joint Service at 7 pm
- 14th Prayer and Praise
Mission
- 21st Service of Believer's Baptism
**4.30 pm*
- 28th Service at Greenfields
**Communion*