



Dates for the Diary

September

- Monday** 12th **Deacons' Meeting**
at Janet and Adam's 7.30 pm
- Wednesday** 14th **Seconds Out AGM**
at Barclay's Club
- Thursday** 15th **Thursday Group**
8.00 pm at Janet's
- Tuesday** 20th **Sunnyside Service**
2.00 pm, to be confirmed.
- Wednesday** 21st **Church Prayer Evening**
in Small Hall 7.30 pm
- Saturday** 24th **Prayer Breakfast**, 8.30 am -10.15 am at Elim
Walking Group Walk Prompt 9.00 am start from Church
Churches Together Youth "Lend a Hand" day in
Chickently 10.00 am to 4.00 pm
- Sunday** 25th **United Service at Elim** 6.30 pm.
No evening service at Manor Street

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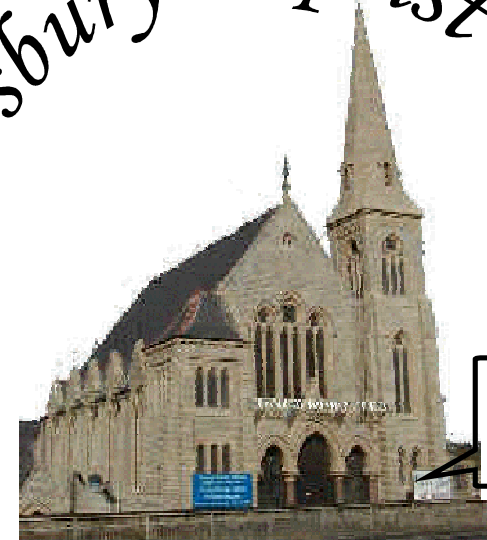
- Saturday** 1st **Thursday Group Cake Stall**
at The Longcauseway Church 12.00 - 4.00 pm
- Sunday** 2nd **Harvest Festival**

CARE Dewsbury meets in the Small Hall each
Monday and **Thursday** from 10.00 am to 12 noon.

Aerobics Every Tuesday at 6.15 pm in the Main Hall.

Please Note! Any date which you would like shown here must be given to
Liz Exley, Secretary and keeper of the Church Diary.

Dewsbury Baptist Church



Way to Heaven?
Come in and
study the route.

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A very warm welcome
in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ
to everyone joining us today for worship.



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Sunday 11th September 2011

Church website: dewsburybaptistchurch.co.uk



**Everyone Welcome
Sunday Services
Led by**

10.45 am Rev. Brian Goodall

All Age theme: "The Greatest Strength"
Sermon: The Fruit of the Spirit is Self Control

6.30 pm Rev. Brian Goodall

Moses, 9. Manna and Quails, Exodus chapter 16

**Supervisors Esther and Noreen
Door Stewards Liz and Christine**

After the service this morning, children will be supervised downstairs until 12.30 pm. This church adheres to the Baptist Union **Safe to Grow** policy. Please ensure your children are supervised at all times, either by yourself or an approved supervisor. Our advocates are **Liz Exley** and **Adam Momčilović**.

Events This Week

Monday Deacons' Meeting at Janet and Adam's 7.30 pm

Wednesday Seconds Out AGM at Barclay's Club

Thursday, Thursday Group 8.00 pm at Janet's

Next Week's Services

10.45 am Rev. Brian Goodall

All Age Worship: Giving to God
Sermon theme: The fruit of the Spirit is Generosity

6.30 pm Rev. Brian Goodall

Water from the rock, Amalek and Jethro, Exodus chapters 17 & 18

**Supervisors Adam and Sue
Door Stewards Peter and Nina**

A Message from Jonathan Edwards, General Secretary of BUGB

What an amazing year this has been. We have seen the Arab Spring turn into an ugly and increasingly violent Arab Summer. A year ago such

developments would have been unthinkable, and they have left the region in a very fragile and vulnerable state. We have also seen terrible natural disasters, with thousands of people losing their lives. And in our own country we have seen an explosion of violence on the streets of many cities during August. Madness erupted in a tragic and frightening way, reminding us that anarchy never lies very far below the surface. And alongside all of these challenges sits the convulsions of the money markets and the financial fears which overshadow every aspect of society. Each of these challenges is colossal – and each of them is beyond us. Gifted and well resourced as we may be, we simply do not have the answers to these towering challenges. They remind us emphatically that we need to turn to God and to do so with a renewed urgency and single-mindedness. One of the main reasons for turning to God is that we have worked out that we have nowhere else to turn. We have all tried the other options at times, but have discovered that God is our only true source of life. In his gospel John relates the heart-rending moment when Jesus saw many of his followers turn away from him. He turned to the Twelve and asked "You do not want to leave too, do you?" and Peter replied, "Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." Prayer, like every form of communication, easily becomes stale and perhaps we need moments like these to jolt us into a new way of living. We need to confess the over-familiar and casual way in which we have handled prayer and turn back to God with renewed energy and determination. So easily we are all tempted to imprison prayer in services and quiet times and forget to pray in the rush and tumble of everyday life. True prayer is about the sharing of the whole of life, not a

little corner of it. I challenge you and your church to take active steps to ensure that prayer is placed more firmly at the centre of your life together. Prayer is simply not an optional extra. It is *the* way in which we open our lives to God and without it we will not only be weak but dangerous. We need to talk together as church communities about the ways in which we can move forward in prayer. We need to look at our activities and relationships and reflect on the priority that we give to prayer. The challenges all around us are immense but as Christians we know that God is greater than any of them. So let's renew our commitment to prayer this Autumn with the confidence that comes from knowing that God longs to hear and answer our prayers.



**For
Your
Prayers**

Both **BMS World Mission** and the **BU Prayer Guide** feature the European Baptist Federation, comprised of more than 800,000 Baptists in 51 Unions including the BUGB. Pray especially for Baptists in Europe and the Middle East who face pressure and even persecution for their faith; and for the General Secretary, Tony Peck, and the EBF staff. Pray for God's guidance as the EBF Council meets next week in Nazareth.

The YBA Prayer Calendar points us to Baptist Churches: Revive in Leeds and Roomfield in Todmorden.

Other Announcements

On Saturday, 17th September, Mount Tabor Church is re-opening after extensive renovation work, both internally and externally. All are invited to attend a civic opening at 4.30 pm. followed by refreshments and a tour of the building. There will be a special service at 7.00 pm Brian has more details.

**Suggested Bible Readings
For the Week**

Monday

Acts
17:16 - 23

Paul in Athens: The Unknown God

Tuesday

Acts
17:24 - 34

A great opportunity, but results were mixed

Wednesday

Acts
18:1 - 17

Remarkable events in Corinth

Thursday

Acts
18:18 - 28

Priscilla and Aquila, loyal colleagues, and their helpful ministry to Apollos

Friday

Acts
19:1 - 10

A visit to Ephesus leads to dramatic events

Saturday

Acts
19:11 - 22

Extraordinary things kept on happening around Paul

Sunday

Acts
19:23 - 41

It all finished in a riot, stirred up by vested interests

Remember!
**Help us to grow
With Five Four Oh**
(Our weekly offering target)

This is your notice sheet - all articles are welcomed. Please submit them by Thursday to Adam Momcilovic adam@dewsburybaptistchurch.co.uk