

Dates for the Diary

October



- Friday** 5th **Bible Study** 7.30 pm in Small Hall: The Holy Spirit in the letters of Paul & Co.
- 7th **Youth Group** 7.00 pm
- Sunday** 9th **6.00 pm (note the time) Special invitation to the Elim church.** They have a visiting preacher from Côte d'Ivoire, Apostle Ebenezer Appia, and Brian has been asked to translate. All are welcome to attend. This will be in place of our usual evening service.
- Monday** 10th **Deacons' meeting** at Janet and Adam's 7.30 pm
- Tuesday** 11th **Sunnyside Service** 2.00 pm
Kids' Club planning meeting 7.45 pm at Adam and Janet's
- Wednesday** 12th **Churches Together in Dewsbury A.G.M.** 7.30 pm at Dewsbury Revival Centre in Halifax Road. This is an open meeting – all welcome.
- Saturday** 15th **Walking Group Walk - Bolton Abbey** Prompt 9.00 am start from the Church Car Park
"Biblefresh" day in Dewsbury Minster 10.30 am to 3.30 pm .
- Sunday** 16th **10.45 am Our service will include a time of reflection and thanksgiving for the life of Annie Bedford,** for many years a member of this church, who died recently.
- Wednesday** 19th **Prayer Evening in Small Hall** 7.30 pm
- Thursday** 20th **Walking Club Annual Social Evening** Open to all

November

- Saturday** 5th **Church Annual Bonfire** 6.30 pm at Kath Shaw's. All welcome

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.

New update on the blog of **Dan & Becky Parnell**, our link missionaries. The whole thing can be seen on <http://danbeckytravels.blogspot.com/> or just follow the **BMS link on the church website.**



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



**HARVEST
THANKS + GIVING**
Sunday 2nd Oct 10.30 am

Manor Street, Dewsbury, West Yorkshire, WF12 8ED

☎ 488946

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



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Sunday 2nd October 2011

Church website: dewsburybaptistchurch.co.uk



**Everyone Welcome
Harvest Festival
Sunday Services**
Led by

10.45 am Rev. Brian Goodall

Communion Service with all age worship and Junior Church

Theme: "All good gifts around us – the Harvest of Nature"

6.30 pm Rev. Brian Goodall

"A Right Biblical Harvest Festival",
Ex. 23 v. 14 -19

**Supervisors Margaret and Noreen
Door Stewards Noreen and Katie**

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

Wednesday Bible Study 7.30 pm in Small Hall: The Holy Spirit in the letters of Paul & Co.

Friday Youth Group 7.00 pm

Next Week's Services

10.45 am Rev. Brian Goodall

All age worship, theme: "What can I do for God?"

Sermon: "The Harvest of Work"

6.00 pm (note the time) Special invitation to the Elim church. They have a visiting preacher from Côte d'Ivoire, Apostle Ebenezer Appia, and Brian has been asked to translate. All are welcome to attend. This will be in place of our usual evening service.

Supervisors Janet and Sue

Door Stewards Janet and Heather

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



All through my life it's been customary at Harvest Festival time to talk about the wonder of nature and the responsibility that we have to look after it, because it isn't ours, it's God's, and we are stewards on his behalf of all that he has made. I think I would have wanted to make that point forty-five years ago, when I was a student, being asked to preach at Harvest services for churches in the London area. And I think I would have wanted to make it just as forcefully as I do now. However, in those forty-five years, many things have changed. I don't think I had heard of global warming or the destruction of the ozone layer. Of course we were aware of famine in various parts of the world and many other issues which had a bearing on the Harvest. And probably above all we were conscious of the unthinkable peril of nuclear war. The issues which happen to be at the forefront of people's minds at a particular time are often important, and can be a very helpful opportunity to speak to them of eternal values, but it would be wrong for us to make them the whole of our message. Our message has Christ at its centre, and we strive to proclaim him to the people of our time, whether their main concern is war, hunger or the future of the planet. Our faith has something to say about all these things, and it is something that begins with the Bible – with God's creation of everything that is and his charge to mankind to take responsibility for it. For us, the discharging of our responsibility begins with worship and thanksgiving and leads us on to offer ourselves for his service in this wonderful and beautiful world that he has created.

Take care,
Brian



**BMS
Birthday
Scheme
October
Birthdays**

- 3rd Mr J. Ibbitson
- 14th Mrs K. Walker
- 15th Mr G. Sifleet
- 18th Mrs A. Mortimer
- 31st Adam Kennedy



**For
Your
Prayers**

The BU Prayer

Guide focuses on Bristol Baptist College: Pray for wisdom as the college addresses government changes in higher education policy especially as they affect overseas students and youth workers. Remember the ministerial students who leave next summer and are currently seeking their first churches. Please pray for the new students as they settle into their placements and adjust to college life.

BMS World Mission asks us to pray for Baptist work in Uganda, particularly with the Ugandan Christian Lawyers' Fraternity. **The YBA Prayer Calendar** requests prayer for the Baptist churches at Shipley and Skipton.

Other Announcements

Does anyone have any spare used Jiffy Bags of any size? Brian would be very grateful to have some and will undertake to obliterate your personal details before posting them!

**An Opera Gala
with Mirfield
Choral Society**
Saturday 8th
October, 7:15 pm,
at Dewsbury Minster.
See Kath Shaw for
more details

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**Suggested Bible Readings
For the Week**

Monday

Acts 24:1-16 Paul's trial before Felix opens in Caesarea

Tuesday

Acts 24:17-27 Paul needs the fruit of patience – for two years

Wednesday

Acts 25:1-12 Paul appeals to Caesar – the right of every Roman citizen

Thursday

Acts 25:13-27 Paul appears before King Agrippa

Friday

Acts 26:1-18 Paul begins by telling his story of the Damascus Road

Saturday

Acts 26:19-32 Paul confronts Agrippa with the gospel

Sunday

Acts 27:1-12 The fateful sea journey to Rome begins

**CHRISTOKU
- CHORAL**

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