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ear friends, May I wish you the most thought-provoked and prepared of Advents, the most joyful and peaceful of Christmases and a bright and dedicated start to 2019.

It's been quite a year. I really and truly believe that God has much in store for us as a family of faith in the coming year. I couldn't begin to tell you exactly what will happen, but I have no doubt that whatever expectations we might have, they will end up being exceeded.

That's the exciting thing about faith in God. It's faith in the one who is Lord of all that we have as Christians. However big our sense of God is, it's not as big as God actually is in reality and yet the paradox of Christmas is that the God who made the universe chose to be one of us, to save the world and see it re-made to His glory. That's exciting, too. I hope you agree.

I get accused of writing too much in these columns, so this month, even though it's a double issue and I should really get double the space (!) I'm going to keep it short and, hopefully straightforward.

Firstly, I trust that you will have a great Christmas season this year. There's a reason we remember, celebrate and commit to living thankfully, graciously and generously every year. It's because Christmas is both wonderful and mad. The Saviour of the world, the one who makes all the wrong things right, the one who changes the course of all things, came to be a baby, to live a human life, grow up, learn, serve, lead, serve some more and then die.

After that He overcame all that was thrown at Him, to rise and ascend to heaven, all for the purpose of seeing you know who God is, recognise that He is Lord over all things (including you) and not just trust Him with your life, but give yourself to be used by Him to do the things that build His kingdom.

We are a people who have not just been saved, but who have been given authority to change this world for good

and in the power of the Spirit. That's exciting. Do some of that this Christmas. Then it'll truly be a happy one.

Secondly, and from the bottom of my heart, thank you for the part you've played in the life of our Group of Churches in 2018. I love being one of the people called to serve here. Sure, my hairline recedes faster than it seems Christmas comes round every year, but I blame my genes for that, not you!

No Church is perfect, and we are far from that, but I quite like it that way. For every thing we wish was better or different, there are dozens of examples of people and groups who have grasped something of what it is to be a family of faith where there's always room for one more. Everybody has a part to play in this, whether you feel like you spend more time in Church, or on Church things, than you do at home, or you are someone who doesn't come along very often at all.

This has been a physically and mentally demanding year for me. Without the many individuals, teams and groups that function in the life of our Churches, I wouldn't be able to sit here in mid-November looking back with joy at all that has happened this year. I hope that you feel confident in God and released to serve Him as you feel that He is asking you to. That's what I've been aiming for this year and will be in 2019.

Thirdly, I can't wait to see what comes next. God has been so good to us this year. I hesitate to even dream what might come next. All I do know is that if we continue to live thankfully, humbly, justly and mercifully, with love at the core of it all, God has a good palette to work from.

If you have words, ideas, dreams, visions, pictures or anything else about what 2019 might hold in store for us, do share them with me and the team. We want to be a Church that continues to be in-step with God, serving and loving our local area and seeing more people joining our family. Here's to a great 2019.

Every blessing

Haydon

All Hallows Eve and All Saints Day

Whilst the adults listened to a talk given by Julie Goodlad, about her role at World Horizons, mission visits, teaching and spreading the Christian message, across many countries. The children learnt about All Hallows Eve and All Saints Day (November 1st).

The emphasis on spirits, and dark images came about from the rumour that dark forces tried to hinder the prayer for the dead that would be offered the next day for the saints that would be remembered. The practice of trick or treating dates back to the Middle Ages when poor people would go door to door begging food in exchange for offering to pray for the dead.

Saints were people just like us. They felt hungry, tired, angry, and disappointed, the same as we do, however the saints did difficult things even when they didn't want to because they loved God. Some Saints we talked about were:



St Teresa of Calcutta

Born in 1910 in a town Skopje, modern day Macedonia. She left in 1931 to work in India amongst the lepers, the poor, and those who lived on the streets. She set up centres where people could be treated with dignity. There are now more than 4000 sisters working in 120 countries. Some quotes are

"Words which do not give the light of Christ increase the Darkness"

"Intense love does not measure it just gives"



St David (patron saint of Wales)

Born in 500, to St Non. David was a great preacher who made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem, and brought back a stone that sits in an altar at St David's Cathedral, in South Wales. Whilst preaching to a lot of people Llanddewi Brefi the ground rose up to form a hill so that people could see him and a white dove, sent by God, settled on his shoulder. A quote ***"Be joyful, keep the faith, and do the little things that you have heard and seen me do"***



We made some Saint biscuits and one for a special visitor "Saint" Julie, to thank her for telling us about World Horizons and the Mission work being undertaken

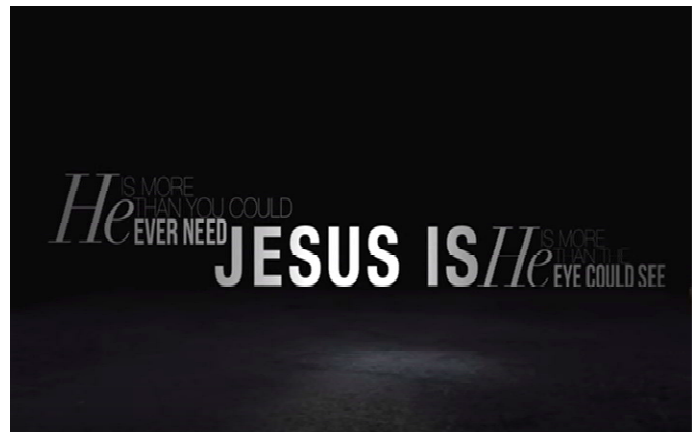


Sunday November 4th

We welcomed Martha at Rectory Farm to do her first service for the group.

The reading was Mark 12 v 29 & 30, with the commandment *To love the Lord your God with all your heart and will all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength*

Then Martha asked "Why are we here?" not something that is usually asked in Church, but it does make you think. She followed with a video from Clayton Jennings on JESUS I



Where words of truth about Jesus were visually brought up on the screen

The Greatest example of generosity

Father to the orphan, shelter to the homeless

A hiding place for the abused

An Anchor for our storms.

The Power of the gospel cannot be stopped.

We wrote or put a picture on a post-it-note to leave at the base of the cross drawn on a mirror; a really unusual way of seeing ourselves in the cross.

We look forward to hearing Martha again

Fiona Potter (Rectory Farm Community Church)

David Bell's... Boothville Diary

We will remember them

The marking of Remembrance at Boothville was particularly poignant because of the 100 year anniversary of the armistice. The lead up to the Remembrance Sunday involved a clear demonstration of the Church and the Community being as one.

The monthly visit to both the Leys and Southfield Residential Homes were both planned around the theme of Remembrance.

Our plans were changed however as unfortunately there was sickness at the Leys and we were unable to enter.

All was well at Southfields and so myself, Peter, and Sheila Angus were able to lead the residents in a service of Remembrance. We witnessed emotional memories for all, including the staff.



The Sunday Remembrance Service was well attended, with visitors to the Church and local people joining us at the Cross on the green.

Rev. Doug Spenceley led the Service and wreaths were laid from the Community, one by Geoffrey Herbert and wreaths from the two residential homes.

You may remember (last edition of BERT) we suffered damage to the old cross. And are indebted to Eric Westwood for having a new cross made in time by him. — I am tempted to say a more rugged Cross...



The Boothville Community Hall had organised a Tea Dance on Saturday afternoon. Elizabeth Weaver co-ordinated, ably assisted by a team of helpers who were in period costume.

The food produced was reminiscent of what was available in those days; fish, meat, paste and spam sandwiches with lots of lovely cake.



Remembrance



Patriotism, optimism lets raise cheer
Come on lads let's do our bit, don't give in to fear!
We are lads, let's do our bit, don't give into fear!
We are now part of a worthy cause;
Aspiring status and applause,
Us nobodies become someone, almost overnight.
We got a smart new uniform; all we had to do was fight.
We envisaged, glory, honour but that's not what we saw,
Just filth, pain and suffering, squalor blood and gore.
But despite apparent horror, I saw things I'll always treasure
Selflessness compassion and courage beyond measure.
To defend and love ones country is honourable and right.
Which sometimes means no option, but to sacrifice and fight.
War is nasty, let's neither glorify nor condemn.
But always and forever, **LET US REMEMBER THEM.**

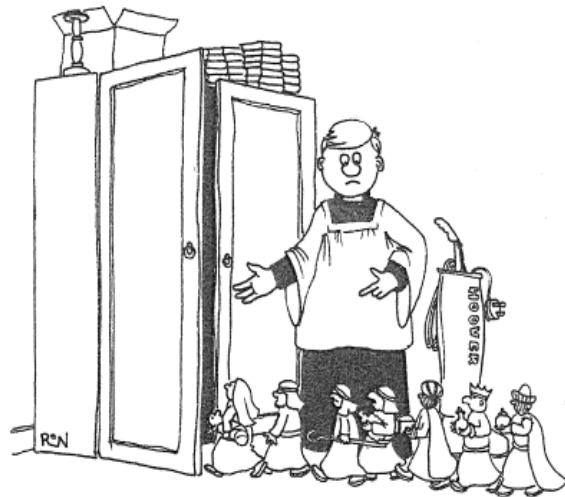
Jim from Boothville Community Church

The dancing included those who dressed in period costume or in uniform (Jim & Precious in uniform)





A huge thank you to everyone who donated a shoebox or money to operation Christmas Child.. We sent about 50 boxes and about £50 in extra donations. As soon I find out where the boxes are going I will let you know. Watch out for Link to Hope next year, you will need to save your own shoeboxes over the year... To see their work look at linkhope.co.uk
Thanks again for your support - Paul



... so it was back for another year in the vestry cupboard.



A little girl was sitting on her grandfather's lap as he read her a bedtime story. From time to time, she would take her eyes off the book and reach up to touch his wrinkled cheek. She was alternately stroking her own cheek, then his again. Finally she spoke up, "Grandpa, did God make you?" He answered, "Yes, sweetheart, God made me a long time ago." She paused, then said, "Grandpa, did God make me too?" Grandpa told her that God made her just a little while ago. The little girl looked up and said, "God's getting better at it, isn't he?"

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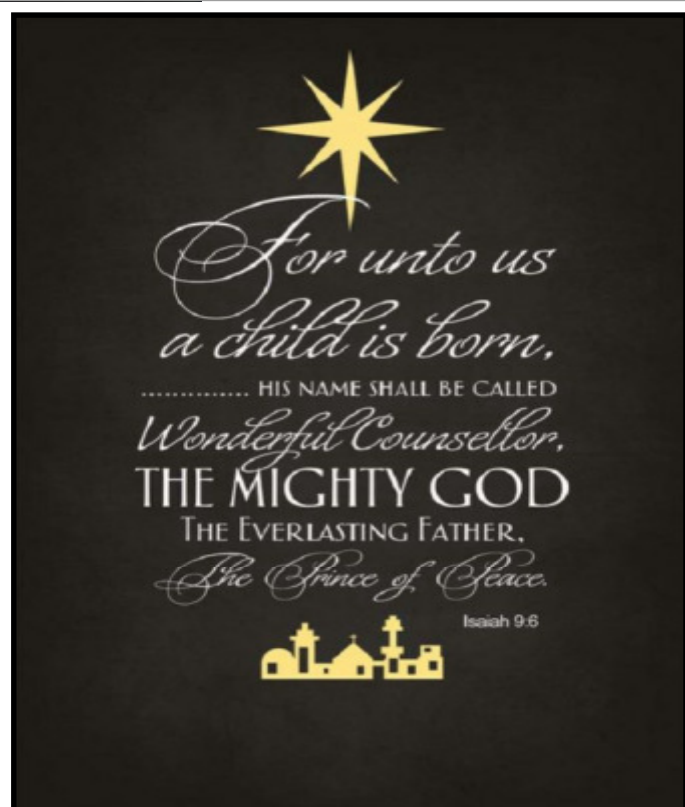
BIG QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 17th November
at Emmanuel

A good time was had by all. The quiz was great fun and we had a grand shared tea with loads of delicious delights!
and...

Due to everyone's amazing generosity we managed to **raise £112 for Tearfund!** Seven Teams took part and the winning team (by one point) was: **'The Shades of Night'** - otherwise known as: Pat Acock, Michael Nagel, Linda and John Walton, Lorraine and Nick Bewley-Tippler.
Thanks to all who came and took part and anyone who helped in any way at all.

Liz Bateman & Jasmyne Price





Christmas

Christmas cards and presents,
pretty coloured lights

Turkey, Christmas pudding,
drunkenness and fights

Christmas has 9 letters,
the first 6 spell a name.

That warrants love and honour,
and has universal fame

He paid for sins of you and me,
on the cross at Calvary.

So Christmas is not just food and drink,
parties, presents strife.

But he who clearly stated:

'I am the way, the truth the life'.

You have free will, and many still,
choose to deny or reject him

But he'll never cease, to give peace
to those who will accept him.

Jim from Boothville Community Church

Salvation

The look of loss, loneliness and despair
When you need someone to really care:
To take away the pain, so hard to bear;
Come to Jesus, to Him your burdens share.

Come to Him with sins untold.
Forgiveness is there to behold;
The sins He bore for you and me
On the Cross at Calvary.

No matter how big the sin,
He is there to let you in,
Oh, how He longs to touch your heart
To give you a fresh start

It is a free gift by His Mercy and grace;
What a joy to express and a future to face.
His promises and unconditional love
So you can always look to Him above.

Ask him into your life today
Because there is no there is no other way.
He says, 'come, come, come to me'
To have assurance of eternity.

Anon - given by Vick Dodd Emmanuel Church

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Do you write poetry?

You might be surprised how many people
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congregations there are quite a few poets
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poetry please send it to Liz to include it in BERT.

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Christmas' True Meaning

By Deborah Ann Belka

Let Christmas' true meaning,
rise up in you today...
may you see the real splendor
of Jesus' birth on this day.

May His beauty and grandeur,
cause your heart to sing
may the gift of His excellence
become your eternal spring.

May His majesty you behold,
with all dignity and honour
may the fullness of His truth
glorify His heavenly Father.

May the wonder of His grace,
reveal its magnificence in you
may the gratefulness you feel
be in all you say and do.

Let Christmas' true meaning,
bring your Saviour near today
may you see the need for Him
today, and every day.

Supplied by Liz Bateman



Community Care Update NOVEMBER 2018

I was asked by the editor to not just concentrate on the Christmas things but to look to 2019. However, it would be rude to miss the opportunity not to mention one of the Christmas ones.

NOTE FROM THE EDITOR: as this is a double issue, I reminded Paul not to concentrate just on December and Christmas Events as the next BERT will not be published until February. I did not ask him not mention any Christmas events!

HO HO HO!

Christmas Carols in the Lumbertubs Pub and Elwes Arms

The Lumbertubs Pub in Boothville, have asked us back for a second year! Come along and join with Boothville Community Choir to sing carols on **Thursday 13th** December at **7pm**. We sing on and off for an hour. Please do come and join us, it's a great evening and one we hope to develop over the coming years.

The Elwes Arms in Great Billing have asked us to play for their **8pm Christmas Eve** 'service'. Although it's been running for years, and is extremely well attended, I went for the 1st time last year; it was brilliant. It's a few carols and a short talk.

Please do come along to these if you can, what an excellent opportunity to remind people about the Christmas story and

FISH

FISH ran in October half term and it was good to be back in the school again. We had over 70 people turning up to be fed and entertained. The next one will probably be on Tuesday 19th Feb

Board Game Cafe

Well after all that teasing that it might be starting soon; you'll be pleased to know we finally have a start date.

It will be running on Monday's, but to be confusing, it will be 1st and 3rd Monday in the afternoon between 2pm and 4pm, then 2nd and 4th Monday in the evening between 7pm and 9pm.

Therefore, dates for Jan and Feb will be 7th & 21st Jan, 4th & 18th Feb in the afternoon and 14th & 28th Jan & 11th and 25th Feb in the evening.

So, what's it all about, well it is what it says on the tin, a cafe set up to play board games!!!!

People have kindly been donating their games to play, if you have a specialist game, you would like to bring along, I more than happy with that.

It's going to be a work in progress, and may tweak times, but until it, starts it's hard know how it will work out.

The cost, just £1 to cover tea, coffee, biscuits.

Paul



Paul Foster

Contact me at the office
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You have to read this!



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Since starting this scheme at the beginning of this year we have raised almost £150 for church funds with absolutely no cost to ourselves which has to be good. As Assistant Treasurer and Finance Team member I am only too well aware that our finances continue to be on a knife edge and it would be great if more members could join this scheme which I would stress again will cost you nothing!

At the present time we have 22 members, which is an increase of 6 over the last few weeks following our publicity drive but I believe there are far more of you, in our three congregations, that must buy things online who could also join.

So what is holding you back ?? It is really easy to join and you can use your existing online accounts with the retailers concerned. You just have to access the retailer initially through the easyfundraising app (you can download this from the App Store or Google Play) or their web-site.

I have been handing out Easy Peasy flyers, which show the three easy steps involved and if you need one then let me know. The link you need is :

easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/emmanuelgroupofchurches .

Buying Christmas presents is obviously a good time to remind you about this scheme but it is even more valuable to remember the scheme when booking holidays, buying insurance, joining a new utility provider in fact almost anything you can buy online.

Whilst Amazon is the go to site for buying online other retailers like John Lewis, Argos and Booking.com pay more and should be considered as an alternative. You will also get emails (perhaps too many, sorry) that show offers from some of the retailers that increase their contribution from time to time.

As administrator I don't know what you are buying but I do get details of amounts raised and there is a league table of supporters sadly I am now down to fifth. With new members joining recently the rate of payments to us has increased which is great. So come on people join the gang !!

Grant Timms (Assistant Treasurer, Emmanuel group of churches)



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**‘She is
clothed
with
Strength &
Dignity and
she laughs
without
fear
of the
future’**

{Proverbs 31: 25}

NewWine Women & Leadership Conference 15-17 November 2018

I had the privilege of being at the New Wine Women & Leadership Conference at the Staverton Hotel in Daventry this weekend. It was the first time I had attended this event and from the moment I arrived, I knew it would be a time of refreshing and renewal and I wasn't disappointed. Our worship was spirit-led and as we entered the throne room, Jesus was there to meet us.

The conference had several speakers covering subjects including:

‘Facing the challenges of our culture’ ‘Is it okay to be ambitious’ and ‘Managing change and conflict God's way’

These were the three that I attended and I was keen to hear what God wanted to teach us. I thought it would be good to share some insights from the seminar that was delivered by Amy Orr-Ewing who leads a team of pioneering apologist-evangelists.

We looked at Daniel 1 and considered the tactics that satan uses to trip us up.

Point 1

He tried to persuade Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah that a godless lifestyle is superior to believing in God, but rather than shrink away, they stood up, faced the Babylonians on their turf and challenged them. (Daniel 1: 11-17) The enemy's plan was to undermine their

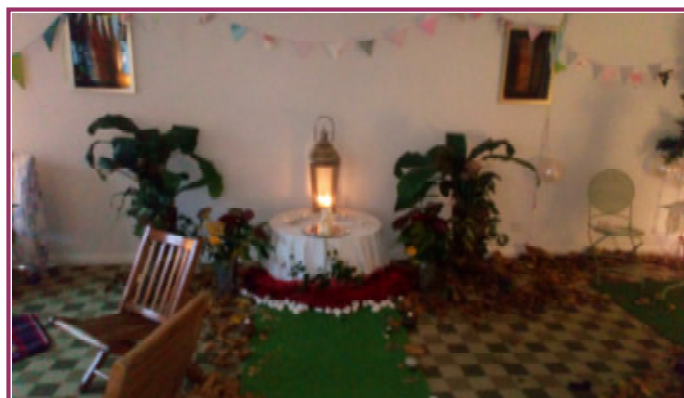
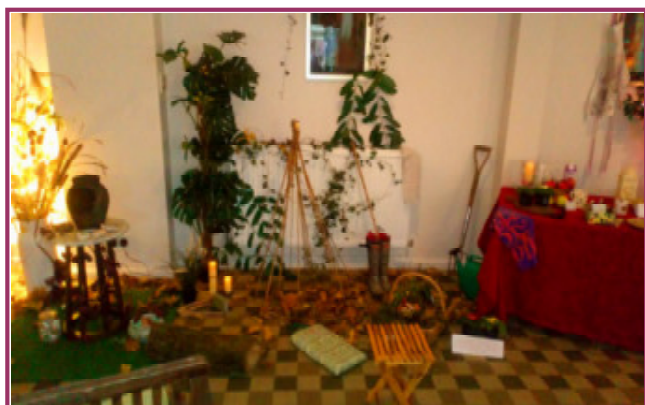
confidence, but Daniel and his friends flourished and their confidence was not shaken. Don't let the enemy of our souls steal our purpose, our joy, our focus or our calling.

Point 2

The enemy tried to destroy their identity by changing their names. Satan wanted them nameless and confused. He intended to crush Daniel and his friends by trying to intimidate them with the weight of unfulfillable expectations, but what did they do... Prayed.

When God enters the arena, the situation changed and he wants to do the same for us. The enemy's tactics haven't changed, but neither has our God. He is the same yesterday, today and forever so let's trust Him with our whole lives. The other thing that was incredible about this conference is that a Reflection Garden was created in the hotel and this was based around Psalm 23. There were several prayer spaces, with particular focus on verses of the Psalm.

The pictures show one of these space for verse 3 “You prepare a feast for me in the presence of my enemies” and visitors were encouraged to spend some time in each space, meditating on the specific verse. An enormous amount of work went into creating these spaces and into creating this amazing space.



Next year's conference will be in Peterborough and I would encourage you ladies, if you want to come away and spend some quality time with like-minded women, and listen to the promises God has for your life, sign up!

MISS SARAH TURNER (from New Theatre, Greenwich), is at Liberty to Accept an Engagement for Chambermaids, Boys, and Burlesque. Address, 19, Hammer's-terrace, Guildford-road, Greenwich; or, her Agent, H. J. TURNER, 21, Bow-street.

PANTOMIME AND PRESBYTERIAN

On Christmas Eve, 1864, Sallie Turner proved a great success as Fairie Beaat the opening of the first pantomime in the newly built Greenwich Theatre. Sallie (Sarah) came from a family of comedy actors specialising in burlesque. Theatre was growing in popularity though the respectable classes kept well away. The Bishop of London warned his clergy of the evils of theatre; Scottish Presbyterians called it 'the Devil's House'. Some years later, Sallie's much younger sister, Henrietta, would marry Edgar Thomson, one of the boys next door. Edgar's parents, John and Emma, had fourteen children; their twelfth, Walter, eventually became grandfather to Jean Thomson, my wife. The family were all Presbyterian, their forebears having migrated from Scotland, so we might speculate on how the Turner – Thomson alliance worked out.

John worked for England's first passenger railway, the London and Greenwich Railway. The station was near the theatre and also close to St Marks Presbyterian Church, a cultural home for migrant Scots. John served the congregation as treasurer for 37 years. The mid 1850's marked the beginning of a nationwide evangelical revival. St Mark's ministers, most notably Adolph Saphir, embraced the revival. Dr Saphir, a Hungarian Jew, had been converted to Christ in childhood through Scottish missionaries in Budapest. He treasured his Jewish heritage and was much sought after as an expositor of the Hebrew Scriptures. Also an ardent evangelist, he saw the congregation grow during his 11-year ministry from a hundred to a thousand. For years he taught a mid-week afternoon Bible Class of 350 children. The building was twice enlarged during that time, quite a challenge for the treasurer's fund-raising skills! John and Emma, respecting Saphir's ministry, named their seventh child Adolph who, in turn, would give his first son the middle name, Saphir.

So, how might the Thomsons and their fellow Christians have responded to the theatrical Turners? John's fellow deacons described him as a man of few words but of many deeds, peace loving, courteous and kind in his demeanour to all. Saphir's influential ministry was based on love. All people were welcomed in church whatever their background, a policy that offended only the traditionalists. Saphir's mission was to proclaim Jesus to anyone who would listen. Distinctive in the evangelical revival was the founding of numerous charitable causes. A Theatrical Mission was formed in London, initially to support vulnerable young actresses touring the country in pantomime. It soon expanded to provide care for women working in the London theatres, to care for children employed on the stage, and to assist any girl who became pregnant. The most influential of the Greenwich Theatre managers, William Morton, promoted high standards for his customers, uniquely banished alcohol, worked for a reconciliation between Church and Stage, and maintained that good theatre taught moral principles to the unchurched.

Saphir's message encouraged love rather than judgement. Said his successor on the occasion of Dr Saphir's death, "He loved to repeat that we had come to meet with Jesus, and claim the promise made to those gathered in His Name; we had come not because it was eleven o'clock on Sunday morning or because it was the Presbyterian Church, but to see Jesus."

More recovered memories from Peter Goodlad





Great Billing Methodist Church

You are invited to
A PRAYER BREAKFAST
8.30 – 9.30 a.m.

Every third Tuesday of the month 8.30am - a time of quiet, structured prayer for our world, our community and ourselves.
9.00am - light breakfast of fruit juice, cereal & toast.

+ Reflective mornings at Great Billing

On the first Tuesday of each month. Enjoy a relaxed time of fellowship and reflection. Refreshments from 10.15am. Meeting 10.30 to 12 noon. More details from Joan Beswick (638687) or Norma Baxter (844316)



GROUP HOLIDAY 2019

TO EASTBOURNE

June 7th to 14th 2019

Staying at the Albany Hotel on the seafront for eight days.

The cost is £499.00

and includes a return journey on

The Bluebell Steam Railway of 'Railway Children' fame,
a return journey on Romney Hythe Dungeness

Steam Railway, visiting Chartwell House,

the home of Winston Churchill, Rye, Battle and Hastings.


Trip to Bentley Wildfowl and Motor Museum.

not included in the price

A deposit of £50.00 and Travel insurance £25.00 is due in
the first week of September 2018.

If you want a single room ask Kathy as soon as possible.

Available to all - and you can spread the cost over the next few months! Book with Kathy Norris on Tuesdays at 'Cafe Emm' Weston Favell Centre or phone 01604 494057 or 07923017619 to book your place with a deposit of £5.00.




Women & Wine

(plus chat, food, fun & dessert!)

Thursday 17th Jan.

from 7.00pm
at



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or for help with a lift



Other food and drink available

Men's Pie and Pint Night

Thursday 7:30PM

3rd January

Reminder!

New Venue → **Lumbertubs Pub Northampton**

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the association for

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Songs for Christmas



Come and join the Oratorio Singers for a
concert of Christmas songs

Friday 14th December

2.30pm

St Peter's Church, Weston Favell

Retiring Collection for Charity

Food Bank

We need donations of
**Tinned Fish, Tinned Meat,
Tinned Rice and Custard in
particular - plus all the usual
items.**

**Please continue to support our
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Thank you.



For

God so
loved the

world He gave

His one and only

Son that whoever

believes in Him shall not
perish but have eternal life

John

3:16



We've got online carol-singers again!



THERE'S LOTS TO DO EVERY WEEK IN THE EMMANUEL GROUP OF CHURCHES

Monday	Prayer meeting	Emmanuel	7.30 - 8.45pm
Wednesday	Family tots	Emmanuel	9.45 - 11.30am
	Family tots (session 2)	Emmanuel	12.00 - 1.30pm
	Friendship circle	Emmanuel (fortnightly)	1.45pm
Friday	R-Zone Youth club 8 - 13 years	R.F Community Centre	5 - 6.00pm (term time only)
	Jam out Christian Youth Group	Emmanuel	7 - 9.00pm (term time only)

Emmanuel House Groups meet at various times & venues during the week
(see below)

COME & PRAY

WEDNESDAY

30th JANUARY

7AM - 8AM

**JOINT
PRAYER MEETING
WITH
STOREHOUSE
CHURCH**

**AND THE
SALVATION
ARMY**

PENISTONE ROAD

**AT
EMMANUEL
COFFEE SHOP**

**PRAYER FOR
NORTHAMPTON
EAST
AND FOR OUR
CHURCHES.**

**BELIEVE IT OR NOT
THE HOUR FLIES BY!!!**

**WITH COFFEE AND DANISH
OF COURSE!**

**Book the last
Wednesday
of EVERY month
in your diaries**

Emmanuel House Groups

meet at various times & venues during the week

Area	Day & Time	Leader
Boothville	Tuesday – 7.30pm	Rachel
Goldenash	Tuesday - 1 - 2.30pm	Tracy/Vicky
Goldings	Wednesday – 7.30pm	Olu
Overstone Lodge	Wednesday - 7.30pm	Linda/Precious
Southfields	Wednesday – 7.30pm	Liz/Jasmyne
Great Billing	Thursday – 7.30pm	Gill

If you are interested in joining a group but can't do any of these days or times, please let us know. It may mean starting a new group!

**For further information
speak to any of the house group leaders**

Family Tots

Wednesdays

9.45am - 11.30am or 12 - 1.30pm
at

Emmanuel Church

Weston Favell Shopping Centre

Top floor Coffee Shop entrance

**£2.00 includes snack and drink
for the children**

**+ tea/coffee for parent/carer
(60p for additional adults)**

**Any profit goes towards
new equipment & extra activities**

**Every
Monday Evening**

7.30-8.45pm

PRAYER

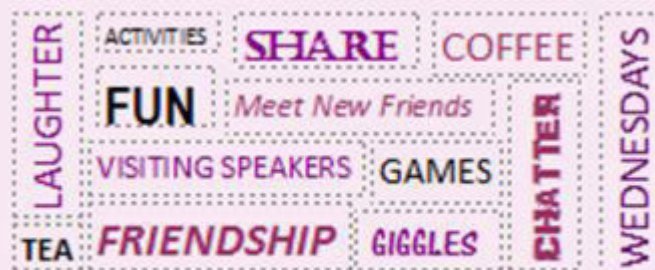
**in the chapel
at**

**Emmanuel
Church**

Open to All

**Please come and join
us, you will be most
welcome**

THE FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE




ALTERNATE WEDNESDAYS

**IN THE COFFEE SHOP AT EMMANUEL WESTON FAVELL CENTRE
FOR MORE INFO CONTACT: KATHY NORRIS or JEAN MARKS**



**Emmanuel is a
learning disability
friendly church**
everyone welcome





THE HOLY LAND
A 10 day Pilgrimage to Israel and Palestine
 Led by
The Revd Doug Spenceley
 16th - 25th September, 2019

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Adventure of a lifetime!

If you've always wondered what the land where Jesus lived was like, then this Holy Land Pilgrimage is for you. Join me as we follow in the footsteps of Jesus in this ancient and beautiful land. Modern Israel and Palestine are places of great contrast – both rich and poor, lushly green and fertile and dry desert. Scratch just beneath the surface and you'll discover that this land has not changed very much since biblical times.

I'm taking my next group on a 10-day Holy Land pilgrimage on September 16th-25th 2019

Direct flights from Luton

A three-centre pilgrimage

Accommodation at selected 3 and 4 star standard hotels in Galilee, Bethlehem and old Jerusalem

Full board throughout

All taxes, entrance fees and local government taxes included
Qualified English speaking local Christian guide throughout tour

Modern air-conditioned tourist coach

(and the food, drink and hospitality is wonderful!!)

Inclusive cost: £1995

The only costs not covered are: travel to and from Luton, travel insurance, gratuities £85 and personal spending. A limited number of single rooms are available at additional cost.

If you are interested, pick up a leaflet in CafeEmm or at Emmanuel Church office.

If you want further information or have any questions, have a chat with me, Doug Spenceley, or email me at doug.spenceley@emmanuelgroup.org.uk

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**EMMANUEL GROUP of CHURCHES BILLING BROOK ROAD
 NORTHAMPTON NN3 8JR**

RECTORY FARM COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rectory Farm Primary School
 Olden Road (opposite the local shop)

Sunday service at 10.30 am

BOOTHVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Boothville Community Hall
 Booth Lane North
 (access via the lane by the hairdressers)

Sunday service at 10.30 am

EMMANUEL CHURCH

Weston Favell Centre,
 Billing Brook Road
Sunday service at 10.30 am
Weds Communion at 1.30pm
 (30 min)

Group Office - Mon - Fri 10 - 2 pm

Café Em (coffee shop)

- Mon - Fri 10am - 2 pm



Services in December 2018

Date	Emmanuel 10:30am	Boothville 10:30am	Rectory Farm 10:30am	YOUTH GROUPS
Sunday 2nd	Communion + BLAST Phil Snelson & Peter Angus (Baptism & Rededication)	Morning Worship Maureen Luke	All Age Worship Haydon Spenceley	<u>Rectory Farm</u> Praise & Prayer <u>Emmanuel</u> Own Group
Sunday 9th	ipraise + Christening Haydon Spenceley, David Bell & Paul Foster	Communion Doug Spenceley & James Fearnley	Morning Worship + Junior Church Chris Pearson	<u>Rectory Farm</u> Own Group <u>Emmanuel ip-</u> <u>raise</u>
Sunday 16th	Communion & BLAST Phil Snelson & Haydon Spenceley <u>7pm CAROL SERVICE</u> Haydon Spenceley	CAROL SERVICE David Bell	4.00PM CAROL SERVICE Haydon Spenceley & Keith Holland Delamere	<u>Rectory Farm</u> <u>& Emmanuel</u> <u>at McDonalds</u>
Sunday 23rd	Café church James Fearnley	Communion Chris Pearson	Communion & Junior church Phil Snelson & Ken Clark	
24th	11.30pm Communion Doug Spenceley	11.30pm Communion Haydon Spenceley + Maureen Luke	JOINT SERVICE AT EMMANUEL	
25th	CHRISTMAS DAY SER- VICE	CHRISTMAS DAY SER- VICE Phil Snelson	JOINT SERVICE AT EMMANUEL	
Sunday 30th	Café Church Lay Leader	Morning Worship Maureen Luke	Morning Worship Lay Leader	

Services in January 2019

Date	Emmanuel 10.30am	Boothville 10.30am	Rectory Farm 10.30am	YOUTH GROUPS
6th	Communion + BLAST Haydon Spenceley & Peter Angus	Morning Worship David Bell	All Age Worship Phil Snelson & Ken Clark	<u>Rectory Farm</u> Praise & Prayer <u>Emmanuel</u> Own Group
13th	ipraise (All age Creative) James Fearnley	Communion Doug Spenceley	Morning Worship & Junior church Haydon Spenceley	<u>Rectory Farm</u> Own Group <u>Emmanuel ipraise</u>
20th	Morning Worship Maureen Luke	Morning Worship Maureen Luke	Praise & Pray Keith Holland Delamere	<u>Rectory Farm</u> <u>& Emmanuel</u> <u>at McDonalds</u>
27th	Café Church with Covenant & Communion Phil Snelson	Covenant & Communion Chris Pearson	Covenant & Communion & Junior church Haydon Spenceley	7pm YOUTH SERVICE

and - COMMUNION EVERY WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME at 1.30pm
a simple 30 minute service in the chapel @ Emmanuel