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Weekly update from the Association Administrator, Steph Tidy 01444-233431



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Revd Geoffrey Whitfield

Funeral and Thanksgiving Services will take place for Rev Geoffrey Whitfield on Wednesday 28th June 2017:

- Service of Commendation and Committal 1.30pm - Woodvale Crematorium (South Chapel), Brighton
- Thanksgiving Service 3.00pm - Christ Church, Lewes

Please [contact Hazel Sherman](#) for further details.

Prayer requests

Please remember in your prayers those, across the Association, who are unwell or in need:

- Revd Jim Crompton (Retired Minister - pastor at Emmanuel Congregational Church, Chatham) - slowly recovering from pneumonia
- Revd Seyan Tills (Walmer BC)
- Revd Ewart Graham (Retired Minister - Moderator of Temple Ewell BC) - recovering from his knee replacement surgery

(if you would like your name added to the prayer list, please email me [\(admin@seba-baptist.org.uk\)](mailto:admin@seba-baptist.org.uk))

SEBA Notices

SEBA's Church Project of the Year 2017 - update:

To read more about New Life Church, Durrington's building project, click [here for the latest news](#).

SEBA Joint Network Celebrations:

Dates for your diary

8 October 2017 - East, Mid & West Sussex Networks
venue to be confirmed

22 October 2017 - Gatwick & North Downs Networks
@ Guildford Baptist Church

5 November 2017 - East, North, South & West Kent Networks
@ Maidstone Baptist Church

Watch this space for more details, in due course.

Pensions



Pensions Roadshow:

The Baptist Union Pensions Roadshow is coming to SEBA on the afternoon of *Saturday 21 October 2017 (at Crawley Baptist Church)*. The format of the presentations will explain how they arrived at the deficit figure as at 31 December 2016; details about the EG and what proposals the pension scheme have been making to the Union, Associations and Colleges; details about progress with those proposals; details about what churches might consider doing etc. and time enough

for probably lots of questions and/or comments.

More information will follow - but for now, please put this date in your diary.

South Eastern Baptist Women's Ministry:

Future Events:

South Eastern Baptist Women's Ministry Conference at Ashburnham from the 23rd-25th February 2018. Booking forms will be released this June so please [email Laura](#) if you would like one.

SEBA Training

Excellence in Safeguarding training:

Level 2 Excellence in Safeguarding (covering Children & Adults at Risk):

- Saturday 24 June 2017 /// Sompting Village Primary School (White Styles Road, Sompting, BN15 0BU) – 9.30am - cost £10 per space

Level 3 Excellence in Safeguarding (covering Children & Adults at Risk):

- Saturday 24 June 2017 /// Sompting Village Primary School (White Styles Road, Sompting, BN15 0BU) – 1.30pm - cost £10 per space
- Sunday 26 November 2017 /// Orpington Baptist Church – 3.30pm - cost £10 per space

For more info or to book please click [here](#) to contact Maeve

There is a safeguarding introductory guide on the Baptists Together website, this guide would be good for anyone who is new into work with children, young people or adults at risk, and as a refresher for anyone who is planning to come to training. it can be found [here](#).

Events

Wintershall Events: The Life of Christ – The greatest story of all time:

Wintershall (Bramley, GU5 0LR) 20-24 June 2017 10.00am-3.30pm

There is free coach and car parking on site, catering, shopping and mobility assistance.

Ticket Prices: Adult: £20 / Student (18-25): £12 / Senior citizen (65+): £18 / Child (3–18 yrs): £9.50 / Family (2 adults and 2 children): £50

Click [here](#) to download The Life of Christ poster

To book now, click here www.wintershall-estate.com or call 01793 418299

Dementia Awareness Morning:

Wednesday 21st June-10.00am to Noon (coffee from 9.30am)

Godalming Baptist Church (Queen Stree, GODALMING, GU7 1BA) To book a place please contact either Sally Pollard pollard3@hotmail.co.uk or Janet Fry

janetfry1@gmail.com or call the Church Office on Mon, Weds and Friday mornings

01483-422105. There is no charge, but donations are appreciated towards the work of the Alzheimer's Society

Click here to download a [flyer](#)

Click here to download an [A4 poster](#)

As In Heaven - with Dianne Tidball (BU President 2017-18):

Sunday 25 June 2017 6.30pm

Chichester Baptist Church (124 Sherborne Road, CHICHESTER, PO19 3AW)

Click [here](#) to download a poster.

Click [here](#) to download a PowerPoint (4x3)

Click [here](#) to download a PowerPoint (16x10)

Mission through Business Roadshow:

Wednesday 5 July 2017, 7.30pm

Guildford Baptist Church - Millmead Centre Cost £10

Registration and more information is available at <https://missionthroughbusiness.org>

Do contact Fiona Stevenson on info@missionthroughbusiness.org if you have any

questions.

To download a poster, click [here](#)

Cherished - A Women's Breakfast event (with Fiona Castle OBE):

Saturday 8 July 2017 8.30-10.30am All are welcome

*Opengate Baptist Church (73 Victoria Drive, Bognor Regis
West Sussex, PO21 2TD)*

Tickets £5.00 available from www.eventbright.co.uk or

Email: office@opengate.org.uk Tel: 01243 821891

Please click [here](#) for a poster

Puppet Training Day (One Way UK):

Saturday 8 July 2017

Lunsford Primary School (Larkfield, Aylesford, Kent)

Click [here](#) for full details on this training day!

Imaging the Story Summer School:

*Monday 31 July-Friday 4 August 2017 10.00am-1.00pm (with free time for art-making
in the afternoon)*

Riverside 2-4, Guildford Baptist Church GU2 4BE

A daytime arts course, exploring the salvation story through the arts, mixing teaching sessions with opportunities for community and individual art-making. No experience necessary!

Cost: £45 (includes course book). Pay in cash or by cheque on the day (cheques made payable to 'Guildford Baptist Church').

Email arts@guildfordbaptist.org for details. Click here for more information, and to book <https://guildfordbaptist.churchsuite.co.uk/events/ule8pgq4>

A flyer containing details can be downloaded [here](#).

Induction - Revd Ian Forsyth:

Sunday 3 September 2017 10.30am

Milford Baptist Church (New Road, MILFORD, GU8 5BE)

Milford Baptist Church is pleased to announce that at a recent Special Church Meeting, members appointed Revd Ian Forsyth to the post of minister from September. Ian's induction service will be at 10:30 on September 3. MBC has been in a period of interregnum since the end of January 2016 and we are thankful to The Lord for his faithfulness during that time.

Induction - Revd Andy Machin:

Saturday 23 September 2017 2.30pm

Seaford Baptist Church (Belgrave Road, SEAFORD, BN25 2EE)

Seaford Baptist Church is delighted to announce that Revd Andy Machin from Bristol has accepted the call to be its new minister. He will arrive in the autumn and his Induction Service will be on Saturday 23 September at 2.30pm.

Advice & Information

Baptist Union news:

Baptist Union Prayer Diary for week beginning beginning 25th June: A Prayer from Baptist chaplain Cole Maynard for Armed Forces Day, which takes place on 24 June:

We commend to your gracious care and keeping
all the men and women in our Armed Forces at home and abroad.
Defend them in the hour of danger; strengthen them in trials and temptations; enable
them to fulfil their duty in serving our nation with loyalty, courage and honour and
help them to know that nothing can separate them from your love, through Jesus
Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

www.unitedboard.org.uk

In response to the terrible fire in London, we have published this response by Phil Jump http://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/500240/Creation_groans_a.aspx

Read about how a group of Baptist churches have teamed up to screen **The Shack** tonight <http://ow.ly/iAoe30cA2em>

Women in the UK Church: your experiences, barriers & hopes? To mark its 10th anniversary year, the Sophia Network is hoping to find out more about the unique experiences of women in the church. Its survey is open to any woman in the UK or Ireland and is available until Tuesday 18 July. Please consider sharing your views.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/356GF3M>

Commemorating lives lost on way to safety - a day of prayer for refugees who have died on their journey to find a dignified life in Europe takes place this Sunday

<http://ow.ly/ptmZ30cAJ3l>

New Home Mission story from SEBA's very own, Strode Crescent who are developing a ministry with the survivors of sexual abuse <http://ow.ly/vFbC30co946>

Do you long to see the social, cultural and spiritual transformation of your town or city? Join Movement Day https://youtu.be/3zP5_5RrObU

During her year as President Dianne Tidball is providing reflection material for groups and individuals to use. <http://ow.ly/Msup30co8pl>

Wanted!

Does anyone have about a dozen copies of large print Mission Praise Easy-to-Read words, 1992, edition. Hard Back or soft cover. Sheddingdean Baptist Church in Burgess Hill is looking for them to be used at a monthly "Senior Songs of Praise". If you have any you no longer need please contact Liz Adshead on liz.admin@seba-baptist.org.uk or Alistair Harper on alistair@alistairharper.co.uk. Thank you.

Jobs

Canterbury Baptist Church vacancies:

Hub Manager

Children's & Youth Ministry Co-ordinator

Hub Manager

Looking for a Hub Manager to fulfill our vision for a community-transforming Hub.
37.5 hours per week, £22,000 per annum (permanent contract)

Click [here](#) to download a job description

For more information email andrew@canterburybaptistchurch.org.uk
(01227) 456204 www.canterburybaptistchurch.org.uk

Closing date for applications: Sunday 25 June 2017

Children's and Youth Ministry Co-ordinator

Hours: 20 hours per week

Salary: £11,000 per annum

Contract: Permanent (with a six month probation period)

Start date: Tuesday 29th August 2017

Click [here](#) to download the job description.

Closing date is Sunday 9th July 2017. Interviews will be held shortly after this date and the appointee subject to DBS checks and practical assessment.

South Counties Baptist Association - Team vacancies:

Regional Minister

Children, Youth & Families Mission Developer

For more information (including application forms) click on this link

<http://www.scba.org.uk/rm-team-vacancies.html>

To download the Regional Minister advert, click [here](#)

To download to Children, Youth & Families Mission Developer advert, click [here](#)

Closing date for both vacancies is midnight on Sunday 25 June 2017

Interviews for the Regional Minister will be held on Wednesday 5 July.

Interviews for the Children, Youth & Families Mission Developer will be held on Thursday 6 July.



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