

**Weekly update from the
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"Those who know your name trust in you, for you,
Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you."

Psalm 9: 10

Prayer requests

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

- Colin, father-in-law of Revd Brian White (Minister at Trafalgar Road Baptist Church, Horsham) - Colin was admitted to St Catherine's Hospice back in May, very ill following a long fight with cancer and a very low red blood cell count. Six months later Colin is still with us, now in a nursing home. He is quite confused at times, but pain free. The cancer has made him unable to use his legs and he is doubly incontinent. His faith is strong and Brian & Sarah (Brian's wife) take communion to him regularly. Pray for strength and peace for the family and particularly his wife Gill.
 - Ray Avenell (Treasurer at Strood Gospel Mission Church) - Ray is receiving on-going treatment for cancer in the bowel, abdomen and chest. Pray for Ray as he deals with the side-effects of the chemotherapy, and working through his illness.
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- David Burr (SEBA Treasurer) - **update** - David has been put on steroids to see if he can be strong enough for one last shot of chemo. He met with an oncology nurse and, as long as his consultant give the go ahead, David should be starting a new course of chemo this morning, to make the most of the small window of time left for treatment. David is also due to have a small op at the end of this month (unrelated to the cancer) on his hand, as it is curled up and he will be able to use it better after the op. The cancer has caused considerable damage to his spine now so prayers for the best care for quality of life. David and his wife, Paula, are looking into what support is available from the local hospice so David can stay in his own home.
 - Revd Andrew Edwards (Minister at Oasis Christian Fellowship, Hove) - Andrew has an inoperable brain tumour; please keep him and his wife, Isobel, in your prayers.
 - Revd Andy Gilbert (Minister at Findon Valley Free (Baptist) Church, Worthing) who is undergoing a 6 month course of Chemotherapy for esophagael cancer (remembering to also pray for his wife, Jan and son, Phil).
 - Revd David Parsons (Retired Minister) - please pray for David as he continues his chemotherapy. They are pleased at how he is responding to the treatment, but it is a very intensive course and taking its toll and restricting a number of David's activities during this time.
 - Revd Sandra Platford (Minister at Aldershot Baptist Church) - please continue to pray for Sandra's slow-phased return to work.
 - Revd Seyan Tills (Minister at Walmer Baptist Church) – **update** - Seyan had an ultrasound last Wednesday, and is waiting for a further scan and another cystoscopy (the week before Christmas). Seyan has started receiving additional help in the form of his new permanent enablement carers, which he is appreciating; along with his support worker (Guy) receiving funding for extra hours. His appointment with his Parkinson's consultant has shown that he should be a likely candidate for DPS (deep brain stimulation) so they are pursuing that possibility. Please continue
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to pray for Seyan in all these situations, and the church at Walmer as they support him.

(if you would like your name added to the prayer list, please email me

(admin@seba-baptist.org.uk)

(Please note, the prayer list is in alphabetical order, and any new requests are added to the top of the list for the first week of inclusion)

SEBA Notices

Contacting the SEBA Treasurer:

In view of David's illness, please contact either Steph Tidy (admin@seba-baptist.org.uk) or Brian Hasler (brian.hasler@btinternet.com) if you have any queries. Thank you.

Ministers study trip to Israel:

Stuart is looking at the possibility of a further trip to Israel next autumn. The cost will be around £1000 for nine days.

Ministers will have the opportunity to spend time with Arabic Baptist ministers and speak in their churches. Time will also be spent at Nazareth Bible College. All the main sites in Galilee and Jerusalem will be visited.

If you are interested, please let Stuart know stuart@seba-baptist.org.uk

Book now for the Ministers and Leaders Conference 2018:

20-22 February 2018 - Ashburnham Place

The closing date for bookings is **Monday 20th November**, so if you have been meaning to get your booking in, now is the time to do it! Information about the Conference and the booking form can be found on the SEBA website or you can email liz.admin@seba-baptist.org.uk. We have 2 excellent speakers, Bishop of Dover, Rt Revd Trevor Willmott and Revd Rupert Lazar. Any queries please contact Liz Adshead on the email address given or phone on 01444 233926.

You can download a copy of the booking form details by clicking [here](#).

South Eastern Baptist Women's Ministry:

Future Events:

South Eastern Baptist Women's Ministry Conference at Ashburnham from the 23rd-25th February 2018. The speaker will be Anne Le Tissier. Booking forms are available, please email Laura on lpaton41@gmail.com if you would like one.

Lord Give Me A Song - Encouragement Day on 12th May 2018. Hosted by Godalming Baptist Church (15 Queen Street, Godalming, GU7 1BA)
Contact Patsy at padunning4@gmail.com for more information.

SEBA Training

Excellence in Safeguarding training:

Level 2 Excellence in Safeguarding (covering Children & Adults at Risk): [Level 2 is for the Minister, Trustees, Designated person for Safeguarding & all those who work with Adults at risk, Children & or young people.]

- Saturday 18 November 2017 /// Ewhurst Baptist Church – 9.30am - cost £10 per space ***
- Saturday 20 January 2018 /// Rainham Christian Fellowship, Gillingham - 9.30am - cost £10 per space
- Saturday 3 February 2018 /// West Worthing Baptist Church - 9.30am - cost £10 per space

Level 3 Excellence in Safeguarding (covering Children & Adults at Risk): [Level 3 is for Ministers, Trustees & the Designated person for Safeguarding and all who lead groups with Adults at risk, Children & or young people]

- Saturday 18 November 2017 /// Ewhurst Baptist Church – 1.30pm - cost £10 per space ***
- Sunday 26 November 2017 /// Orpington Baptist Church – 3.30pm - cost £10 per space
- Saturday 20 January 2018 /// Rainham Christian Fellowship, Gillingham - 1.30pm - cost £10 per space

- Saturday 3 February 2018 /// West Worthing Baptist Church - 1.30pm - cost £10 per space

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

**** for those undertaking the level 2 & level 3 training at Ewhurst Baptist Church, lunch of soup & a roll is available, at an additional cost of £1.50, but must be booked in advance*

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

Quiet days at Spurgeon's College:

The monthly Quiet Days at Spurgeon's College offer an opportunity for attendees to set aside time to connect with God.

Although there is structure to the course of each day, anyone attending is encouraged to use the day in whatever way is most helpful to them. The last two days of this year will be as follows:

- 17 November (led by the Quiet Day team of Elaine Leck, Judith Crompton and Alison Davies)
- 15 December (led by Elaine Leck)

The dates for 2018 are:

2 February, 16 March, 20 April, 4 May, 15 June, 20 July, 5 October, 2 November and 14 December.

The Turning mission to East Sussex - Church Leaders' Preparation:

Thursday 23rd November 10:30am-1:30pm

Ashburnham Place

To book for this event please click on the following link:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/turning-church-leaders-preparation-tickets-38584858350>

The Hiding Place:

Thursday 23 November 2017 at 7.30pm

Kings Church hall (WEST KINGSDOWN, TN15 6JL)

Oddments, a Christian Theatre company is bringing a performance of The Hiding Place (based on the Corrie Ten Boom book of the same name). ents-theatre.co.uk or ring Barbara on 01474 332923

An Evening with Noel and Tricia Richards:

Saturday 25 November 2017, Doors open at 7.30pm for 8.00pm

The Civic Centre, Uckfield (Civic Approach, Uckfield, TN22 1AE)

Tickets £6 if purchased in advance from www.trybooking.co.uk/1790

Tickets on the door £8 - The event is organised by Christians in Uckfield.

Click [here for a poster](#)

Encounter Events with Marc Dupont:

Sunday 26-Tuesday 28 November 2017

Fleet Baptist Church (115 Clarence Road, FLEET, GU51 3RS)

Fleet Baptist Church would like to invite you to a series of meetings when Marc Dupont (Mantle Praise Ministries) is visiting.

On Sunday, 26th November Marc will be speaking at an Encounter evening at 6pm.

On the Monday and Tuesday evenings, 27th & 28th November, he will be leading open 'Healing Meetings' at the Clarence Road building at 7.30pm. During the day on

Tuesday 28th November from 10am-3pm at the Clarence Road building, Marc

Dupont will be leading a day conference investing in Leaders and if you are

interested in coming to this, the cost is just £10 and you can sign up via their website

www.fleetbaptist.org.uk

Away in a Manger for adults:

Saturday 2 December 2017 10am-4pm

Ladywell Retreat & Spirituality Centre (Ashtead Lane, GODALMING, GU7 1ST)

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

Please contact either Sally Pollard pollard3@hotmail.co.uk or Janet fry

janetfry1@gmail.com or tel Church Office 01483-422105 Mon, Weds or Friday mornings by Friday 10th November to book a place.

Jonathan Viera's 'One Man Show':

Saturday 2nd December at 7.30 pm

Findon Valley Free Church (1-11 Limetree Avenue, WORTHING, BN14 0DJ)

Tickets £10 each

Please phone the office 01903 873790 to reserve your tickets

Free on street parking available.

Two Acorn training day events:

Saturday 2 December 2017

Crawley United Reformed Church

Reconciliation: Mending Broken Relationships (10am-4pm)

Click here for a [poster](#) - click here for a [booking form](#)

Effective Listening Practice (10am-4.30pm)

Click here for a [poster](#) - click here for a [booking form](#)

For more details, please go to www.acornchristian.org

As In Heaven - advent celebration (with Revd Dianne Tidball):

Saturday 3 December 2017, 7pm

Canterbury Baptist Church (St George's Place, CANTERBURY, CT1 1UT)

Click here to [download a poster](#). For more information, please contact the Canterbury Baptist Church office office@canterburybaptistchurch.org.uk (01227-456204)

Wintershall: The Nativity

Wednesday 13 December-Sunday 17 December 2017

(Wintershall Estate, Holly Barn, Wintershall, BRAMLEY, GU5 0LR)

Tickets: £18 Adults/£9 Child/£50 Family (2 adults + 2 children)

Click here to [download a flyer](#) with all the details.

To book tickets go to www.wintershall-estate.com or call 01793-418299

Life Issues - 2018:

Godalming Baptist Church's Life Issues programme for 2018 is now available. Click here to [download a copy](#)

Seven Laws For Life:

Saturday 20 January 2018, 10am–1pm (coffee from 9.30 am)

at Godalming Baptist Church (Queen Street, GODALMING, GU7 1BA)

Godalming Baptist Church are very fortunate to have Lynette and Mick Brooks from CWR-Waverley Abbey leading the event. This event is open to all - both men and women - and is a great way to start the new year together.

Lynette and Mick will focus on;

- Discovering different ways to cultivate our prayer life
- How to keep our Faith alive through difficult times
- Helping Others
- Overcoming Doubt and Fear

Cost is £7 per person. To book a place for either event please contact either Sally Pollard pollard3@hotmail.co.uk - or Janet Fry janetfry1@gmail.com - or Chris, GBC's Administrator 01483-422105, Mon, Weds and Friday mornings.

Click here to [download a poster](#)

SEBA Ministers' & Leaders' Conference 2018: 20-22 February 2018 - see SEBA Notices above

SEBWM (Women's Ministry) Conference 2018: 23-25 February 2018 - see SEBA Notices above

Boost Conference 2018 - Identity & Inclusion in Children's & Youth Ministry:

Tuesday 6 March 2018 9.15am-4.30pm

Emmanuel Centre, Marsham Street, Westminster, SW1P 3DW

Check out more information on the Boost

website <https://www.separtnership.org.uk/boost>

To download the small flyer, click [here](#)

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

SEBWM Lord Give Me A Song encouragement day: 12 May 2018 - see SEBA Notices above

Holy Land Tour:

David Ronco (Hertford) is leading another of his popular introductory trips to the Holy Land in April 2019 (3rd – 11th). This nine day tour is ideal for first time visitors exploring key Biblical sites in Galilee, Nazareth, Jerusalem and Bethlehem. As well as walking where Jesus walked the trip also provides unique opportunities to meet local Christians and understand how the Lord is working today through his church in Israel/Palestine. For a review of his last trip and brochure for this next one visit www.baptisttwinningisrael.org.uk or contact David on dcronco@gmail.com



We pray for our world

**EXPLOITATION
INJUSTICE
TERRORISM**

Are not part of your Kingdom.
Equip and strengthen Lord to bring light into
this darkness

BAPTISTS
TOGETHER

We pray for all those affected at First Baptist Church



Advice, Resources & Information

Baptist Union news:

Baptist Union Prayer Diary for week beginning beginning 12 November: A prayer for Remembrance Sunday from the RAF Chaplains Branch:

Ever-living God we remember those whom you have gathered
from the storm of war into the peace of your presence;
may that same peace calm our fears,
bring justice to all peoples
and establish harmony among the nations,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Inter Faith Week begins next week. The moderator of the Baptist Inter Faith Working Group on why we should take part <http://ow.ly/TzI330gfj50>

'Beauty for ashes' please read the latest reflection from our President Dianne Tidball https://www.baptist.org.uk/Art.../508790/Session_6_Beauty.aspx

"Loneliness is a horrible thing. It's not dramatic or offensive, its quiet and slow, it sits in the corner and leaves you empty." Action for Children are encouraging churches to run 'Chat and Play sessions' - to help tackle loneliness faced by children & parents <http://ow.ly/itNB30gilAZ>

November is the month we are invited to pray for the persecuted church <https://youtu.be/aaFtKlyWa6I>, https://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/508419/Pray_for_the.aspx

A Baptist church took to the streets on Halloween night, and no, they were not trick or treating <http://ow.ly/i4Sy30ggRI4>

We have contributed to a statement urging the Government to be strong and not to fudge reform of fixed odd betting terminals <http://ow.ly/rpkv30gfAc3>

BU Council November report is online, click here to download <https://www.baptist.org.uk/Groups/220797/Council.aspx>

Jobs

One Church Brighton:

One Church Brighton have four new vacancies -

Children & Families Worker (full-time)

Youth Engagement Worker (full-time)

Volunteer Co-Ordinator for the Youth & Children's Team (part-time, term time only)

Events & Buildings Co-ordinator (full-time)

For more details, including job descriptions and application forms go to

<http://onechurchbrighton.org/news/jobs-at-One-Church>

The closing date is **today**, Friday 10 November.



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