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"LORD, I have heard of your fame;
I stand in awe of your deeds, LORD.
Repeat them in our day,
In our time make them known;
In wrath remember mercy."

Habakkuk 3:2

Prayer requests

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

- Ray Avenell (Treasurer at Strood Gospel Mission Church) - Pray for Ray as he deals with the side-effects of the chemotherapy (for cancer in the bowel, abdomen and chest).

- Revd Jim Crompton (Retired Minister) - please pray for Jim, recovering from brain surgery.
- Revd David Parsons (Retired Minister) - please pray for David as he undergoes radiotherapy.
- Revd Seyan Tills (Minister at Walmer Baptist Church) - **update** - Seyan had his overnight (which changed into over a couple of days) tests, to provide information on his suitability to the deep brain stimulation implant. These results will be considered by all of his consultants (across a number of different departments) each representing Seyan's ongoing health issues. Seyan now has to patiently wait to hear their decision (they were supposed to meet last Friday, but it was cancelled). Also, the blood tests in hospital showed that Seyan's potassium levels are low (possibly due to one of the many medications he takes), please pray for this, and for all Seyan's ongoing health issues he battles with daily. Please continue to pray for the church at Walmer as they support Seyan.

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 or updates are highlighted)

SEBA Notices

Temporary contact details for Maeve:

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DBS Verifiers:

The Baptist Union have released a statement ([click here to view it](#)) about the removal of some Ministers & Church Secretaries from the DBS verifiers' list (this only applies to those who weren't identified as verifiers in the latest Annual Returns).

SEBA Training

Excellence in Safeguarding training:

Level 1 Excellence in Safeguarding

- (All Age service version [8 minutes])
A new Level 1 Excellence in Safeguarding film designed to be shown in all age services.
https://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/513615/Level_1_Excellence.aspx
- (Church Meeting version [4 minutes])
A new Level 1 Excellence in Safeguarding film designed to be shown to your Church Meeting.
https://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/514025/Level_1_Excellence.aspx
- (Materials for Children and Young People)
A new Level 1 Excellence in Safeguarding written material designed to be used with your children and young people.
https://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/514026/Level_1_Excellence.aspx

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. The course lasts 3 hours]

- Saturday 16 June 2018 /// Birchington Baptist Church - 9.30am - cost £10 per space
- Saturday 30 June 2018 /// Redhill Baptist Church - 9.30am - cost £10 per space

- **Monday 2 July 2018** /// Cheriton Baptist Church – 6pm - cost £10 per space
(this replaces the training on 4 June, which had to be cancelled)
- Saturday 14 July 2018 /// Borstal Baptist Church - 9.30am - cost £10 per space
- Saturday 8 September 2018 /// Crawley Baptist Church - 9.30am - cost £10 per space
- Saturday 15 September 2018 /// Farnham Baptist Church - 9.30am - cost £10 per space
- Saturday 6 October 2018 /// Ashford Baptist Church – 9.30am - cost £10 per space.
- Saturday 3 November 2018 /// Milford Baptist Church - 9.30am - cost £10 per space
- Saturday 10 November 2018 /// Crossways Community Baptist Church, Dorking - 9.30am- cost £10 per space
- Saturday 24 November 2018 /// Littlehampton 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. The course lasts 3 hours]

- Saturday 16 June 2018 /// Birchington Baptist Church - 1.30pm- cost £10 per space
- Saturday 30 June 2018 /// Redhill Baptist Church - 1.30pm- cost £10 per space
- Saturday 14 July 2018 /// Borstal Baptist Church - 1.30pm- cost £10 per space
- Saturday 15 September 2018 /// Farnham Baptist Church - 1.30pm- cost £10 per space
- Saturday 6 October 2018/// Ashford Baptist Church – 1.30pam - cost £10 per space.
- Saturday 3 November 2018 /// Milford Baptist Church - 1.30pm- cost £10 per space
- Saturday 10 November 2018 /// Crossways Community Baptist Church, Dorking - 1.30pm- cost £10 per space

- Saturday 24 November 2018 /// Littlehampton Baptist Church - 1.30pm- cost £10 per space

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

* Please note, anyone attending both level 2 & 3 training, on the same day, will need to bring a packed lunch (unless otherwise stated).

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

Please note - with all events advertised below, whilst we are publicising them, the views and comments expressed are not necessarily approved by the Association - unless they have been organised specifically by the Association.

SEBA Core Leaders training:

Saturdays 9 & 30 June 2018 - Tunbridge Wells Baptist Church

Made in whose image?:

Saturday 9 June 2018, 10.30am-4.30 pm

Guildford Baptist Church (Millmead, Guildford, GU2 4BE)

Cost £27.50 (book four places and get a fifth free); To book, visit

brfonline.org.uk/madeinwhoseimage or call 01865 319700

Click [here for the flyer & booking form](#) or click [here for the press release](#), with details of the speakers

JustOne - with J.John:

Saturday 9th June 2018, 1pm-5pm

at Priestfield Stadium, Gillingham

For more information go to the website <http://justonepriestfield.com/#>

Spurgeon's College Open Evening:

Tuesday 12 June 2018, 7-9pm

Spurgeon's College, London

http://www.spurgeons.ac.uk/admissions/open_days

Open Word Preaching Course 2018-19:

*between 16 June 2018- 2 March 2019 **

Trafalgar Road Baptist Church (Trafalgar Road, HORSHAM, RH12 2QL)

Course fee of £20.00 payable at the first session. An application form and outline programme of the sessions are available from D. McCahon (mccahon@aol.com)

* Dates of sessions: Saturday 16 June 2018; Saturday 29 September 2018; Saturday 17 November 2018; Saturday 2 March 2019

The Life of Christ - Wintershall Estate

19-23 June 2018, 10am-3.30pm

(Wintershall, BRAMLEY, GU5 0LR)

Book now at www.wintershall-estate.com or by calling 01793-418299

Click [here to download the poster](#)

Celebrating, Surviving & Thriving - Women in Baptist Ministry:

Thursday 28 & Friday 29 June 2018

IMC, Birmingham

Cost: £100 residential (bursaries available) / £75 non-residential)

Click [here for more information](#)

To reserve your place, please email Mary Taylor (mary.taylor@yba.org.uk)

SEBA Pastors' Study Trip - Israel:

4-11 October 2018 - if you are interested, please email stuart@seba-baptist.org.uk for more details

SEBA Make A Difference (MAD) Mission:

20-25 October 2018 - Headcorn

Do you want to do something worth while this year? Do you want to make a difference, share your faith, help with a mission, grow in your Christian life, learn new

skills, return to your church a changed person? Then joining a 'MAD' team is for you. For more information, check out the SEBA website - [click here](#).
Click [here](#) for a booking form.

SEBA Ministers & Leaders Conference: 26-28 February 2019 - Ashburnham Place
- book the date in your diary! Our guest speaker will be Revd Professor Philip McCormack MBE, Principal of Spurgeon's College.

Advice, Resources & Information

Baptist Union news:

Baptist Union Prayer Diary for week beginning beginning 10 June: Our General Secretary, Lynn Green, is currently on sabbatical until the end of the month. Please pray that this will be a time of refreshment and renewal for her and her family.

Would your church like to grow significantly over the next year, bringing people to Christ? Firestarter events will be hosted by Baptist churches experiencing unusual growth. They want to share why this is happening and equip others to do the same book now https://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/520777/Firestarter_events_for.aspx

We are in an exciting time for Baptists across the UK, one characterised by increasing creativity and innovation in mission. The timing seems right to bring together stories of what God is doing. Book now for the Baptists Together Mission Conference <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/baptists-together-mission-conference-tickets-45796978997>

The Joint Public Issues Team is launching its Peace and Justice Forum on 12 July with a free event in Parliament. If you are 18-25 and have a passion for social justice you can apply to attend here:

<http://www.jointpublicissues.org.uk/action/#GetInvolved>

Screenings of an extraordinary film about Martin Luther King Jr. called King: From Montgomery to Memphis are being planned. At each screening, there will be a post-

film panel discussion with leading contributors. For further information and to book visit www.baptist.org.uk/king

Do you wish you had more time to reflect on the key issues of our day? Do you share a passion to do theology well at the coal face of ministry and mission? Take a look at the Fresh Streams Theology School 2018

<http://www.stpetersbaptist.org.uk/FreshStreamsTheology2018>

Postgraduate Courses starting in September - The Institute for Children Youth and Mission (CYM):

CYM launch a new Chaplaincy Masters Course in 2018 The Institute for Children Youth and Mission (CYM) is launching a new suite of postgraduate courses in autumn 2018 in Chaplaincy with Children and Young People. This will run alongside their well-established MA courses in Youth and Community Work and Practical Theology, and Professional Practice and Practical Theology for those working with children, young people or in communities. CYM works closely with the Centre for Chaplaincy with Children and Young People based in Nottingham.

The courses are available part time for those already working in ministry or seeking a career change and it takes between one year for the Postgraduate Certificate and up to four years for an MA awarded by our partner, Staffordshire University.

CYM has seen a growth in interest in Chaplaincy over the past few years with several short courses being run each year. In addition, a growing number of students on their BA courses have Chaplaincy placements in schools, colleges, hospitals and prisons.

There is a postgraduate interview day on 11 June and a more general Open Day on 3 July for anyone who is interested in any of the postgraduate programmes. For more information, check the web site (<http://cym.ac.uk/courses/>) or contact postgrad@cym.ac.uk

Jobs & Vacancies

Crowhurst Christian Healing Centre vacancies:

Full-time Chaplain:

We are looking for an experienced church leader with a clear sense of calling by God to the ministry at CCHC. The successful candidate will need to be an energetic and dynamic Chaplain who is enthusiastically committed to advancing the Kingdom of God and be pastorally sensitive to the many guests and visitors who come to CCHC seeking healing.

Working alongside an experienced and supportive team the Chaplain will continue the healing, preaching and teaching ministry at CCHC and worldwide whilst ensuring that CCHC remains a space where people can be loved by God and encouraged to grow in His power.

The position

The Chaplain will have a passion for leading people (from a breadth of backgrounds and denominations) to an encounter with the God who speaks into people's lives with transforming power. This will be expressed through teaching, preaching, prayer and pastoral compassion.

Residential accommodation is provided at our established and growing Healing Centre in the heart of rural East Sussex (with regular train links to London and Hastings). Whilst it is desirable that the post-holder is resident, willingness to stay on site on a regular basis will be considered.

For further information and an application pack please email

chaplain.cchc@btconnect.com

Closing date 25th June 2018

Administration and Finance Manager -

This is a full-time position, as a part of the senior leadership team led by the Senior Chaplain. This new role exists to provide Crowhurst Christian Healing Centre with full administrative and financial support, enabling their vision, to advance the Kingdom of God, to be fulfilled.

For more details, click [here to download the full advert](#)

For further information and an application pack please email

chaplain.cchc@btconnect.com

Closing date 12th June 2018

Pastoral Care Minister - The Church on the Heath, Elvetham Heath:

The Church on the Heath is a growing church with a Sunday attendance of around 150-200, plus fringe members. Formed 18 years ago on the new development of Elvetham Heath, the church is a partnership of four denominations: Anglican, Baptist, Methodist and United Reformed. Our vision is to be a community where everyone can encounter the transforming love of Jesus.

From the beginning, pastoral care of the congregation has been carried out by means of home groups and a committed volunteer team. We would now like to employ a part-time Pastoral Care Minister to lead our volunteers and further develop this ministry in the life of the church. Pastoral needs across the congregation include the following:

- Crisis situations – hospital or home visits, contact with wider family/friends, organising support, meals, transport and prayer
- Family situations – marital problems, divorce, separation, housing, childcare
- Redundancy and issues arising
- Bereavement
- The elderly – loneliness, separation from family, dementia, visiting care homes
- Welcoming new people and integrating them into church life
- Supporting those in the congregation with special needs

21 hours per week - £12,290 pa

For more information - click [here to download the job description](#)

Vacancies to represent SEBA across the area:

SEBA have some vacancies on groups that you may be interested in (see list below).

- Two SACRE vacancies - on the panels, who provide input into how Religious Education is taught and collective worship is undertaken in our schools - the vacancies are in LEA areas of [Surrey](#) and [Medway](#) - click on the area for the role description.
- up to two Trustee vacancies for the Kent Workplace Mission - the KWM work in Kent, Medway, Bromley & Bexley supporting people of faith, at work; developing chaplaincy ministries in workplaces and helping local Christian communities to actively engage with their local economic community. For more information, [go to their website](#)

If you are interested in being involved in this way, please email Steph admin@seba-baptist.org.uk

If you would like to add a church-based, or Christian charity vacancy to the weekly emailing, please let me know admin@sebabaptist.org.uk

Please note, we cannot post vacancies for Church Minister positions, as these should go through Revd Stuart Davison, and the Settlement system.



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