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



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Please note - as from next week the weekly
emailing will be sent out at 6pm on Thursdays

"The Lord lives! Praise be to my Rock!
Exalted be God my Saviour!"

Psalm 18:46

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.
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- Revd Seyan Tills (Minister at Walmer Baptist Church) - **update** - Seyan has now been put on some new blood pressure medication, which seems to be helping stabilize his BP, he is also now 'dressing free' on his leg – which is all good news. He saw the consultant at King's last week, who said they hadn't completely ruled out the possibility of a Deep Brain Stimulation implant; but as he would need to be free of all his other conditions for it to be possible, Seyan is viewing it as an unlikely option. They discussed the options open to him (in controlling his Parkinsons), including 2 possible options with syringe drivers, but Seyan has decided, for now, to continue with his current drug regime to help with his symptoms – whilst not the most convenient, he know it works for him, and there is little chance of complications or risk of infection. None of the options offer the possibility of an improvement in his condition, so managing the best way he can is the key. The hospital are no further forward on identifying why Seyan suffered a Pulmonary Embolism, but it appears to be dispersing, so please pray that there will be no recurrence. Please continue to pray for Seyan, for all the other medical issues he has to deal with on a daily basis. Please continue to pray for the Fellowship at Walmer, as they support Seyan.
- Revd Bob Younger (retired) - please pray for Bob, some years ago Bob was diagnosed with mixed dementia (a combination of Alzheimer's and vascular dementia). The condition has advanced with time, and Bob, and his wife Pam, would value your prayer support.

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

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(Please note, the prayer list is in alphabetical order, and any new requests or updates are highlighted)

SEBA's Church Project of the Year 2019

applications

Our SEBA Church Project of the Year (2018), helping Sheddingdean Baptist Church finance the Cornerstone project (to provide them with their own building) finishes at the end of December 2018, and we now are looking for a new project for 2019.

For more details about the process, and for information on the current Church Project of the Year, please check out our website <https://www.seba-baptist.org.uk/churchoftheyear.htm>

This year we are giving preference to a viable church plant applications. So if you fit that criteria, or have either an exciting church building project or other mission project that could benefit from profiling through the South East, and a much needed injection of monetary donations, please apply. Click here to [download and complete the application form](#).

If selected as SEBA's Church Project for 2019 you would need to be willing to put together and supply literature on the project for circulation to all our churches, and you may be called upon to go to churches within the Association to talk about the work you have planned.

The deadline for application is Sunday 30 September 2018.

SEBA Notices

SEBA's new Treasurer:

We are delighted to announce the SEBA churches voted in favour of the appointment of Malcolm Browning as new SEBA Treasurer. We all look forward to working with Malcolm. His contact details will follow soon; as he's currently on holiday.

SEBA holidays:

Please note the following are on holiday in the next few weeks:

- Revd Paul Kerley - away 10-14 September and 18-20 September.
- **Revd Jerry Newson** - away 21 September - 7 October

Contact details for Maeve:

Great news! Maeve has finally completed on her new home - and gets the keys today (although moving in will happen in stages).

For now, all telephone calls should still be via her mobile 07944-600871; but any postal contact should be sent to:

The White House
1 Riverside Cottages
Riverside
Upper Beeding
BN44 3HW

All emails, as before, should be sent to mave@seba-baptist.org.uk

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 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
- Saturday 16 February 2019 /// Gillingham 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 15 September 2018 /// Farnham Baptist Church - 1.30pm- cost £10 per space
- Saturday 6 October 2018/// Ashford Baptist Church – 1.30pm - 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
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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.

Bridging the Gap (with The Boys' and Girls' Brigades):

Saturday 8th September 2018, 9.30am to 1.30pm (2.30pm if you want to stay for lunch)

Grace Church (Chertsey Street, GUILDFORD, GU1 4HL)

Cost: £5 booking fee to secure your place (non-refundable) Booking online

at: www.eventbrite.com/e/bridging-the-gap-tickets-46878290228

Any questions or for more information: Contact Carol on 07786 962311

Click [here](#) to download a poster

Click [here](#) to download a flyer

Immerse Leaders Day:

Saturday 15 September 2018, 9.30am-12.30pm

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

This is open to anyone in a position of leadership within a church context, for example, church leaders, small group leaders, worship leaders, pastoral leaders etc...

Speaker: Tim Grant from Spearhead Ministries

Please notify Revd Christopher Bird if will be attending, so they have some idea of numbers christopher@fleetbaptist.org.uk

Baptists Together Mission Conference:

Saturday 15 September 2018, 10am-4pm

Beacon International Centre (Stafford)

Keynote speaker: Alan Hirsch (Missional Authori & Activist)

A day of inspiration and practical advice.

Tickets: £29 (inclusive of lunch and refreshments)

Book online at www.bit.ly/btmconf2018

Click [here](#) for a flyer

Michard Card in Concert:

Saturday 15 September 2018, 7.30pm

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

Tickets: £10 in advance, £12.50 on the door

For event details and to book tickets, visit www.guildfordbaptist.org

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

Induction - Revd David Lockwood:

Sunday 23 September 2018, 4pm

Beulah Baptist Church (Buckhurst Road, BEXHILL-ON-SEA, TN40 1QA)

The induction service for Revd David Lockwood, as Senior Pastor at Beulah Baptist

Church, will take place on Sunday 23 SEptember, at 4pm. This will be followed by tea and cakes.

Pagoda Project - folk & jazz fusion - in aid of Sheddingdean Baptist Church, Cornerstone Project (SEBA's Church Project of the Year 2018):

*Thursday 27 September 2018, doors open at 6.45pm, concert starts - 7.30pm
St Edwards Church (Royal George Road, Burgess Hill)*

Tickets: £12.00 or £10.00 each (group of 4)

Tickets can be purchased in the following ways:

Online booking via: www.live-arts.co.uk.

Box office: 01444 242953 (if no answer leave a message with your name and contact number and we will get back to you).

Burgess Hill Town Council Help Point: in person

For more details, click [here to download a flyer](#)

ACAT Foundation Training Course:

for Church Treasurers, Accounts staff, financial advisors and those interested in working with church and charity finances:

Saturday 29 September 2018, 9.30am-4.00pm

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

Cost, including buffet lunch: £45

For more information, and book online, please go to the ACAT website <https://www.acat.uk.com/foundationseaford.html>

Click [here to download the details, including a booking form](#)

For those who cannot attend, there is a Church Accounts webinar, hosted by the Baptist Union, in partnership with ACAT, aimed at Baptist Church Treasurers, to help them understand what they need to do to put together a good set of church accounts. It will cover topics such as receipt & payment accounts, record keeping and accounting for pensions. Participants will be able to ask questions. The webinar will take place on **Friday 21 September, at 1pm** - click [here to join the webinar](#).

What's going on in depression?:

Saturday 29 September 2018, 10am–12 midday (coffee available from 9.30 am)

Godalming Baptist Church (Queen Street, GODALMIG, Surrey GU7 1BA)

The morning will cover:

- Why is it that many people who get depressed find themselves thinking 'but I'm not the sort of person who gets depressed!'?
- How is depression different to just being fed up?
- What is burnout?
- How do I get better from depression?
- How do I support someone who is depressed?
- What is the role of medication?
- What are the downsides of medication?
- How does counselling fit in?

Click [here](#) to download a poster

If you have any queries, please contact Sally Pollard, email: pollard3@hotmail.co.uk or Janet Fry: janetfry1@gmail.com

Please note:

This session is free of charge, but you will be invited to take the opportunity to give a voluntary donation, towards the Farncombe Community Garden Project - a new and exciting project to bring all the health benefits of community gardening to Farncombe

Induction - Revd Simon Downing:

Saturday 29 September 2018, 3pm

Aldwick Baptist Church (43 Gossamer Lane, Bognor Regis, West Sussex, PO21 3DD)

Refreshments will follow the service.

RSVP to Clive Bennett Church Secretary at 27 The Drive, Aldwick, PO21 4DU or clivebennett20@btinternet.com

Care for the Family - Playtime National Conference 2018 - Planting Seeds:

Saturday 29 September 2018, 9.30am-4.30pm

Riverside Vineyard Church (Air Park Way, Feltham, WEST LONDON, TW13 7LX)
Playtime National conference, specifically for parent and toddler group leaders and their teams.

For more information and to see the brochure for the day go to

www.careforthefamily.org.uk/faith-in-the-family/playtime/playtime-conference-2018

SEBA Pastors' Study Trip - Israel:

4-11 October 2018

National Conference of the Christian Dance Fellowship of Britain:

Saturday 6 October 2018, 10.15am-6pm (9.45am registration)

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

For ticket prices, please check out the weblink below

For more information contact: conferencebookings@cdfb.org.uk

<http://www.cdfb.org.uk/conference/index.html>

0300 365 1089

Click [here to download a flyer, including booking form](#)

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](#).

Healing Conference - The Transformative Presence of Jesus:

26-28 October 2018

Christian Healing Centre (Forewood Lane, Crowhurst, Battle, East Sussex TN33 9AD)

Experience and appreciate the transforming presence of Jesus.

Topics covered include:

- Spiritual oppression and mental health
- Childhood trauma

- Forgiveness
- Chronic Fatigue Syndrome and MS
- Praying for those with deteriorating medical conditions

A conference to equip you to be more confident as you journey with people.

For more information go to their website

<https://crowhursthealing.co.uk/retreat.php?retreat=330>

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 9

September: Education Sunday is a national day of prayer and celebration for everyone in the world of education. At the start of this new academic year in schools, colleges, nurseries and universities, we pray that all students, teachers and those involved in education may be supported and encouraged in and by their faith as they work and learn together.

www.cte.org.uk/educationsunday2018

'We hope more Christians will gain a clearer picture of the human impact and moral urgency of climate change'

Operation Noah has released an animated film about climate [change](#)

<http://ow.ly/yGQ730luT11>

A women's conference, for men: a conference that seeks to provide an opportunity for men to hear and engage with issues of sexism, prejudice and unconscious bias has been organised in a Baptist church. More info here: <http://ow.ly/aUPh50ihaPD>

Big questions.... good answers

This is what we learnt in creating a space in the community for the big questions about Christianity, writes minister <http://ow.ly/WYrC50ihcaa>

Sowing the seeds of success... introducing Operation Agri's latest harvest resource <http://ow.ly/R1vl50ihb27>

Autumn issue of Transform:

You can download the latest edition of Transform (from the centre pages of the new Baptists Together magazine - due out next week) by clicking on the following link <https://www.baptist.org.uk/transform50>

Jobs & Vacancies

Leader of Community Evangelism - Brighton Road Baptist Church, Horsham:

Do you have a passion to see people come to know Jesus? Do you have experience of developing relationships with those outside the church? Can you lead and inspire others? If so, you may be just the person we need and this may be just the opportunity you are looking for.

We are looking for someone to join our ministry team who will lead by example and who will work in close collaboration with those who run our existing programme of activities to reach out to people of all ages in our local community, and to help them develop a personal relationship with God.

You may or may not be an ordained minister, but the most important thing is that you have a track record of reaching people for Jesus and a strong desire to help others do the same.

For a full information pack, please contact work@brbc-horsham.org.uk.

The closing date for applications is 19th October 2018.

Full-time Facilities Manager - Folkestone Baptist Church:

Salary: circa £28k per annum (dependent upon experience) plus pension contribution

Closing Date for applications: 14th October 2018

FBC is a welcoming and growing coastal town community that is cross generational and cross cultural in make-up. Our facilities are now being used 12hrs a day, every day, by a variety of Church, Community and Corporate users providing daytime and evening activities/clinics. We also have a pre-school nursery with its own dedicated onsite facilities and a fulltime paid community worker and part-time youth worker. We are now looking to employ a Facilities Manager who will have a strategic role to play, working closely with the Ministry and Leadership Team to fulfil our values and vision of a community-transforming service delivered from our church buildings.

We are looking for someone who is/has:

- A committed Christian with a sense of call and commitment to serve the church and to mission in the local community
- Strong organisational skills, reliable and dependable with a high view of team
- Management experience, working with staff and volunteers, a team builder.
- Committed to working within a cross-denominational environment
- Strong interpersonal skills and a positive demeanour
- Good communicator comfortable welcoming a wide cross section of people
- Strong administrative skills including familiarity with computer-based applications such as Microsoft Office 365 and Excel

Are you looking for a new challenge? For a full job description & person specification, click here or contact David Hudson by E: david_hudson@ntlworld.com or T: 07860 890998

Governor (trustee) with HR experience - Spurgeon's College:

With a new five-year plan in place, and a committed and talented team of governors, we are seeking a governor with HR skills and experience to strengthen our Board. We are looking for an experienced HR professional with a clear sense of calling to

this role.

The role is set out in the role description. This is a voluntary position, although reasonable expenses will be reimbursed. To find out more, you are warmly invited to speak to the Chair of Governors. We will also be happy for you to visit the College and meet the Principal.

If you are interested in exploring if this is something to which God is calling you, so you can use your experience and skills to further the work of his Kingdom, we would be delighted to hear from you.

Click [here to download more information](#) on the role, including how to apply.

Closing date for application: 30 September 2018

Shortlisting will take place by 12 October and we will invite those shortlisted to meet the members of the Nominations Group at a mutually agreed time at the College.

Waves 'Supporting Seaford Families' - Community Outreach Worker (part-time):

20hrs per week - £13,142-14,285 (£23,000-25,000 fte)

Be part of something life-changing for families in Seaford

Full details from Cathy Finch (wavesseaford@hotmail.co.uk)

Closing date : Tuesday 18 September

Interviews : Tuesday 2 October

Guildford Town Chaplain:

Guildford Town Central Chaplaincy (GTCC) are looking to appoint a new Town Chaplain as their first Chaplain will be retiring at the end of 2018. These are exciting times at the Chaplaincy, as they celebrate their tenth year and work on plans for projects in the next season.

Their Chaplain has built great relationships around the town with churches, the Council, Police and commercial and voluntary organisations. And the work has been

widely recognised as making a difference in the town, including receiving the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service in 2015. The new Chaplain should build on those relationships and will have the ability to mould the role in a dynamic and creative manner.

The Chaplain is a focus for ecumenical activity and cooperation and is leader of GTCC's work, bringing a Christian presence and voice and offering service to people in Guildford, in conjunction with their respected volunteer Street Angels, Community Angels and Volunteer Chaplains. The Chaplain has overall responsibility for our small staff team and oversight of our projects, answering to the Board of Trustees.

They're looking for someone who:

- is a committed Christian with experience of leadership in either an ordained/pastor or recognised lay role in a Christian church or other Christian fellowship/community.
- shares GTCC's values of being non-judgemental with selflessness, integrity, honesty, professionalism, excellence and collaboration.
- is committed to working within a cross-denominational environment
- has experience of providing pastoral care, demonstrating openness to people of any faith or none.
- has management experience and an ability to work with limited supervision.
- demonstrates a creative vision of how the Chaplaincy could continue to develop and grow its ministries in the coming years

They're offering a part-time post (3-4 days per week, with flexible hours to match the needs of the post), based at their office in Guildford's town centre and with a full time equivalent salary in the range of £30-32,000.

For more information contact gtccapplications@outlook.com or 01483 505230.

To learn more about the Chaplaincy visit gtcc.org.uk. Closing date for applications - 10 September 2018

Full-time Ministry Leader: Children, Youth and Families - Willesborough Baptist Church:

Salary: £24000 - £29000 (dependent upon experience) plus pension contribution

Closing Date for applications: 10th September 2018

WBC is a vibrant community seeking to expand our work in the rapidly developing area of Ashford. This role will involve working with our current leadership & volunteers developing new, & delivering existing, discipleship & outreach projects. Are you a committed Christian with a passion for sharing the good news of Jesus with children, young people & their families? Do you have the leadership skills to motivate & develop a team of volunteers to accomplish our vision of growing 'a passionate God-centred family, committed to sharing His life-changing power; a vision which embraces a real desire to 'grow the church younger.'

Are you looking for a new challenge?

For more information on the role or to apply for an application pack, please go to www.wbc-ashford.org.uk or contact Lynn in the Office: 01233 632739 or office@wbc-ashford.org.uk

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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