



Acre Mill Baptist Church

Newsletter : June 2015



Services	Morning 10.30am	Evening 6.00pm
7 June	Rev Mike Huck	Brad Lincoln <i>Helmshore Christian Fellowship</i>
14 June <i>Lunch</i>	Rob Winterbottom	David Clegg
21 June	Rev Derek Allen <i>Communion</i>	Terry Haslam-Jones <i>Fathers' Day</i>
28 June	Rev John Prior (Series 8)	Songs of Praise <i>Led by The Choir</i>
5 July Jacob's Join	Sunday School & CBC Leaders	Celebrating Sunday School
12 July	Tim Doggart	Phil Bowden
19 July	Phil Webb Series 9 <i>Communion</i>	Terry Haslam-Jones
26 July	David Isherwood	No Service

Coming Up

Deacons' Meeting

Tuesday 9 June 7.30pm

Church Meeting

Wed 17 June 7.30pm

This will be the **last** Church Meeting before the summer holidays. Items for the agenda by the **previous Sunday**, please.

Monday 22 June 7.30pm - meeting at Peter Webb's to discuss the Autumn **evening services**. Everyone is welcome.

13 June **NW CE Fun** Day at West Kirby. Meet at church 9.00am

Thank You

For your gifts towards the **Tear Fund** Nepal Earthquake appeal which came to £100



Congratulations to **Louise Farrow and Jason Heath** on their baptisms on 24 May. Their testimonies were inspiring and moving - an encouragement and challenge to everyone who witnessed their act of faith and commitment. **Blessings for the future** to both of them..

Another series of enquirers' classes will start in September with baptisms planned for later that month or early October. If you have been **challenged** and want to find out more about baptism please come along.

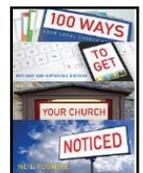
From Friday, 5 June, the '**Drop In**' will go back to **Friday mornings** 9.30-12.00. Rubicon will continue on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please drop in for a drink and a chat if you are passing and maybe invite someone along if you can. **Helpers** are also very welcome .



At the last church meeting we decided to replace the **last window** on the east side of the church - the one in the Fellowship Room - which will **complete the project** to replace all the main windows. We originally planned to do this over five years but have managed to do in two thanks to your generous gifts.. Thanks also to Peter Lennon for giving the **Sunday School** room a bright new coat of paint!

The choir are leading a '**Songs of Praise**' service on 28 June. They will be singing some of the pieces from '**Blended Worship**' and there will be other musical items. Please come along to support the choir and take part in an evening of musical Praise and Worship

Our little **library** has a range of Christian Books - why not have a look? One that has been added recently is '**100 Ways to get your Church Noticed**' by Rev Neil Pugmire. Neil used to sing with our choir! Neil's book is very readable, stimulating and packed with ideas about how to **raise the profile** of church in the local community.



Do you have any **photos** of church events and activities that we could use on the website?

Friendship Group

At our **May meeting**, we listened to poems and magazine articles which made us think (and laugh). There was also a **quiz** to identify places shown on old photos of Bacup.

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday, 9 June** when we will be bringing and talking about something we have made (food or crafts) or a gadget we have found useful.



Flowers for May/June

31 May : Joan and Alan Bailey in memory of Norma Whitworth

7 June : Gladys Monk in memory of Rev Ron Monk

14 June : Elizabeth, Jason and Katie Heath in memory of Jack

21 June : Shirley Cormack in memory of Ian Cormack

28 June: Sheila and Ben Bracewell in memory of Edith Piper

Please Pray For (your suggestions)

- Folks recently baptised
- Families known to us facing difficulty, and crisis
- Peace between and within countries of the world
- Wisdom for those who hold positions of leadership and in government
- The work of BMS and Leprosy Mission
- Our ongoing work with children and young people
- Everyone facing exams and leaving/starting school, college or university this summer
- Families driven from home by war, prejudice and disaster

Give Thanks For:

- People with gifts of encouragement
- Everyone working in Education and the Health Service
- Friends recovering from illness
- Those who take services at our church
- Everyone who works 'in the background'
- All the children of our Church
- Good friends in times of trouble and illness
- Practical and skilled people
- God's provision of resources to keep our church witnessing to the Gospel



Birthday Corner Happy birthday to **Katie Stubbs** (3rd June), Lynne **Nightingale** (19th), **June Knight** (29th) and to all others celebrating birthdays this month.



School and CE Anniversary

The morning **Family Service** on 5 July will be taken by the CBC and Sunday School leaders to celebrate our **Sunday School and CE Anniversary**. There will be a 'Jacobs Join' lunch after the service

If you can bring some food for the meal, please let **Pamela** know by initialing an item on the list in the Fellowship Room.

The evening service will look at and celebrate our **work with children**. It's **144 years** since Sunday School work at Acre Mill began.



Bacup & Stacksteads Carnival will be back again in 2015 and will be in Stubblelee & Moorlands Park on

Sunday 28th June 2015, after a parade from **Bacup Hub**. There will be live music, dance, fun and stalls in the park until 4pm. The Parade starts at 11.15am at **Burnley Road** and walkers and vehicles will proceed into Bacup, before making their way over to **Stubblelee Park**.

NW CE Fun Day The Northwest **CE Fun Day** is again at West Kirby on Saturday 13 June. We are meeting at church at **9.00am** and transport can be arranged if you would like to go.



SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER
THE BIG WELCOME
WHY NOT INVITE SOMEONE TO CHURCH?

We are hoping to have a **day in the Lakes** in June/July which will include water activities on Windermere and a visit to Brockhole Centre. More details will be available soon.



Our **Children's Bible Club** Meets every Thursday at 6.00 during school term time. Recently the children have been learning about Pentecost and how the Bible teaches us to live. Please **encourage and pray** for the children and their leaders.



Pamela and Samantha are taking part in the 5k 'Race For Life' at Towneley Park on Sunday, 14 June.

They are raising funds for **Cancer Research** and hope you can support them and this great cause through sponsorship. There is a sponsor form in the Fellowship Room.