



# Acre Mill Baptist Church

## Newsletter : June 2016



Services	Morning 10.30am	Evening 6.00pm
5 June	Ken Bowden	Café Church
12 June	Mike Huck <i>Communion</i>	Greater Than Gold <i>Choir</i>
19 June <i>Lunch</i>	Terry Haslam-Jones <i>Family Service</i>	Ben Bracewell <i>Fathers' Day</i>
26 June	Grahame Long	Sing A New Song <i>Communion</i>
3 July <i>Jacob's Join</i>	Sunday School & CBC Leaders	Celebrating Sunday School
10 July	Geoff Skilling <i>Communion</i>	Ray Gay
17 July	Stuart Keenan	No Service
24 July	Rob Winterbottom	No Service
31 July	Rob Winterbottom	No Service

### Coming Up

**Deacons' Meeting** Tues 7 June 7.30pm

11 June **NW CE Fun Day** at West Kirby. We meet at church 9.00am

**Church Meeting** Wed 15 June 7.30pm  
This will be the **last** Church Meeting before the summer holidays. Items for the agenda by the **previous Sunday**, please.

Saturday 18 June '**Afternoon Tea**'  
Fundraiser for the **MPS Society**.

Monday 20 June 7.00pm - meeting at Peter Webb's to discuss the Autumn **evening services**. Everyone is welcome.

On Thursday 23 June, the Church will be used as a **Polling Station** for the EU Referendum. **CBC** will meet upstairs in the Sunday School room but there will not be a choir practice.

We had a great day out in the **Lake District** on 7 May as we visited Brockhole Centre and Bowness. The weather kept fine and everyone enjoyed the scenery and activities. Thanks to **Phil and Jayne** for organising the day.

Congratulations to **Terry** for completing the **Manchester 10k Great Run** last Sunday. He has been promised over £300 in sponsorship for **Rossendale Hospice** so please let him have your sponsor money if you haven't already done so.

We all enjoyed the **evening walk** to Gambleside and Compston's cross and learned a lot about the early Baptist communities in that area. The next walk is on **17 June** when we walk from Helmshore to Pilgrims' Cross and learn about the mysterious murder of Ellen Strange. (4miles). We meet at 6.00pm at Church then at 6.30pm at the junction of **Helmshore Road/Alden Road** at the Anancapri Restaurant. (BB4 4LU map ref. SD782206) **Supper** is at the Flaxmoss Chippy. (not the restaurant!)

Warmest congratulations to **Jack Clegg** who has just been awarded the Bury FC Juniors Under 12's "Manager's Player of the Season" trophy for 2015/2016. Well done, Jack.

Our regular activities will be **having a break** during the week commencing **Monday 30 May** and will resume after the school holidays. There will not be a Drop In on 3 June but Rubicon will continue as usual.



### Afternoon Tea On

Saturday 18 June from 1.30 to 4.30, **Elizabeth Heath** has organised a

fundraising event for the **MPS Society**.

There will be refreshments, entertainments and a 'Bring and Buy stall'. **Tickets are £5** which includes the cost of the afternoon tea. Please support this organisation which did so much to support **Jack** and his family as they continue to help other families and fund research.

### Please Pray For (your suggestions)

- Baptism Classes in the Autumn
- 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
- The EU Referendum
- Families driven from home by war, prejudice and disaster
- Family members near and far away



### Give Thanks For:

- People with gifts of encouragement
- Everyone working in Education and the Health Services
- Friends and family 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
- Generous giving of talents and time
- God's provision of resources to keep our church witnessing to the Gospel

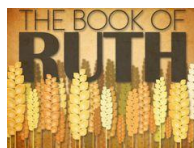


From **10th-12th June 2016** the country and Commonwealth will celebrate the **Queen's 90th** birthday. HOPE ministries have been working in partnership with the Bible Society to produce a special booklet - '**The Servant**

**Queen and the King She Serves**' - focusing on the Queen's Christian faith. This uses the Queen's own words to draw out the central role of her trust in **Jesus Christ**, offering us all an inspiring insight into a life well-lived for others. **On 12 June**, every family at Acre Mill will receive a copy of the booklet, generously funded by our **Friendship Group**.

### FOLLOWING ON FROM ESTHER

Several members of the congregation have mentioned just how much they have appreciated the series of messages based on the O.T. book of **Esther**. With this in mind, we have arranged a much shorter series which is due to start on the **14th August**. This series will be based on the only other book with a woman's name - the book of Ruth. There will be five messages in all, with the final one being **especially for children**. You may wish to read the book in advance (only four chapters long!!)



### Flowers for May/June



5 June : Gladys Monk in memory of Rev Ron Monk  
12 June : Elizabeth, Jason and Katie Heath in memory of Jack  
19 June : Shirley Cormack in memory of Ian Cormack  
26 June: Sheila and Ben Bracewell in memory of Edith Piper

### Birthday Corner Happy birthday to

**Katie Stubbs** (3rd June), **Lynne Nightingale** (19th), June **Knight** (29th)



and to all others celebrating birthdays this month. Special congratulations to **Ruth Shelton** who was 90 last month and to **David Lord** who also had an important birthday in May.

### School and CE Anniversary



The morning **Family Service** on 3 July will be taken by the CBC and Sunday School leaders and children to celebrate our **Sunday School and CE Anniversary**. They will be presenting the musical '**Daniel- A Hard Act To Swallow**' 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 during the last year**. It's **145 years** since Sunday School work at Acre Mill began.



**Bacup and Stacksteads Carnival** is a spectacular community day bringing together people of all ages to take part in a fun event to be held on 26 June. The Carnival starts at 11am with a procession from **Burnley Road, Bacup**, through the town and out into Stubblelee Park arriving at approx 12 noon. **In the park** there will be a host of events, attractions, stalls, a fun fair and displays on a stage. The stage opens from 12.30pm with the official opening by **the Mayor** and events continue to about 4pm. This year, a grand Tug-of-War competition will also be held at 3.30pm. **TEAMS NEEDED**. email [info@basco.org.uk](mailto:info@basco.org.uk)

**NW CE Fun Day** is again at West Kirby on Saturday 11 June. We are meeting at church **at 9.00am** and transport can be arranged if you would like to go.



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