

THIS WEEK

Monday 24 th	10.00am	Ladies Bible study, please contact Jane Magowan for Zoom details
Tuesday 25 th	7.30pm	Home groups / prayer and chat meet on Zoom, please contact your leaders for details
Wednesday 26 th	7.30pm	Christianity Explored – for details please contact George Voyias
Thursday 27 th	9.30am	Ark in the Garden – tickets need to be booked for this on Eventbrite, please contact Jane Magowan for details
	8.00pm	Thursday Fellowship Group led by David and Janet Johnson. Please contact David or Janet for the Zoom details
Sunday 30 th	10.30am	Michael Quicke will be taking our service. Theme: Blessed are the persecuted



**Birthday greetings go to: Luke Swanser (today!);
Caroline Elcome (26th); Graham Titmus (27th);
Nick Rogers (29th) (a big one!)**

If you have a special birthday or anniversary coming up please let me know.
Likewise, if I miss you off please do let me know as I may not have your details. Thanks, Carole.

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Deadline for items to be included in the newsletter 6.00pm Thursday

HBC has its own Facebook page:



HISTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Connecting people to Jesus Christ and to each other

Sunday 23rd May 2021

"Finally be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armour of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes" Ephesians 6:10-11

10.30am Our worship service this morning is led by Hilary Allen.
The preaching is brought to us by Jon Morgan a member of HBC.
Theme: "Wear the right kit!"
Ephesians 6:10-18

Services resumed in Church Services have now resumed in church.

For anyone wishing to book tickets to come to church the link is:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hbc-worship-tickets-130924834705>

If you don't have access to a computer, please contact Keith Willingham and he will book you a ticket.

You can still connect to the service via your **telephone landline**, dial **0330 088 5830**. There may be an automatic answer asking for the meeting ID, but it may just wait, in which case just put in the number: **238 183 824 #** Ignore the next question (about your ID or password) and press **#** again. You will be able to hear and speak to everyone.

For those on the internet the Zoom Meeting ID is: 238 183 824

Recordings of the Sunday sermons are available on the Church Website.
Please see the HBC website at

www.histonbaptist.org.uk

If you would like someone to pray with you or for you after the service, **please contact one of the Elders**
All prayer matters are treated as confidential.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Shirley Brundish; Chris Turner;
Ian Sanderson; The Henman family;
Gayle Painter; Kurt Heinemann; Anne;
Barry and Pam Vendy; Tracey Fuller;
The Christianity Explored Course;
Susan Stearn's daughter-in-law Anne;
The on-going battle against Coronavirus**

Prayer request from Leena and Anil We are living in these strange days with uncertainty everywhere. Thank God for His glorious hope for all of us and His divine protection upon our families.

Please pray for our Country India (lack of oxygen, lack of supply of vaccine, lack of hospital beds).

Please pray for the Pastors families who have been severely affected and many have died. Pray for the families left behind and for their churches for comfort. **Thank you, Leena.**

GENERAL

Eldership At our AGM/Church Meeting on Tuesday 18th May, it was announced that Andrew Martin had made the decision to stand down as an Elder as of at the end of the meeting, rather than continuing on until July as first planned. This had come as a bit of a shock to the remaining Elders, but we respect Andrew's decision. Margaret thanked Andrew most sincerely for everything that he has given to the fellowship over many years including the fact that Andrew has led through two Sabbaticals when the Pastor was away for three months, the Search process, an Interregnum and the pandemic, when nothing has been straightforward!

We are indebted to Andrew for his leadership, wisdom and guidance. George presented him with a small gift from the fellowship and this was followed by a spontaneous standing ovation from everyone in Church and much clapping from those on Zoom! We wish Andrew every blessing as he relinquishes some of his responsibilities, although he and Pauline will still lead the Pastoral Care Team, the Prayer Chain and the Prayer Corner, for the time being. **Margaret Jude & George Voyias.**

Date for your diaries – Defibrillator Training Saturday 3rd July 10.00am

To book your place go to www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/defibrillator-training-at-histon-baptist-church-tickets-154674287959

The training will last approximately 90 mins, there is no charge for this. It will be in person at HBC.

Christianity Explored Thank you for your prayers for the Christianity Explored course. We have now booked the Away Day for Saturday 19 June, which will cover 3 more sessions and include a BBQ lunch. Could you please pray for the following:

- God would continue to open minds and hearts to Jesus
- The participants would continue with the course
- God's wisdom and guidance as we consider how to follow up those on the course

Thank you, **George Voyias.**

**The flowers this week are provided by
The flower fund**



Flowers in Church If you would like to provide the flowers for a particular birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion, or just because you like flowers, could you please contact me to let me know the date and dedication either on home Tel. no. 01223 501323, or mobile 07986159335. When the Church is fully open again I will put a Flower Plan in the Coffee area as usual, but in the meantime, you can book by phoning me. Many thanks, **Ann Smith**

Fair Trade 'Just Sharing' is delighted to be able to open again to offer Fair Trade goods to the community. Based in the Free Church, Market Hill, in the centre of St Ives, Just Sharing offers a wide range of ethically sourced goods from around the world including beautiful jewellery, gifts, and cards for all occasions. Manager Sue Billings said, "We're thrilled to have reopened for all our customers and volunteer staff following the long lockdown." Open from 10am - 3pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday.

YOUTH / MOTIVATORS

Rilla and Bethia are meeting with the young people on a Sunday morning, Explorers and Explorers Plus are meeting in the church / garden for the time being. Rilla and Bethia will plan a social sleepover some time in the May half term, weather permitting! Please continue to pray for the young people who have exams after such a disruptive time at schools and colleges. Motivators are back together meeting in the Manse garden too, please pray for them all as they renew friendships.