

The Coming Week

Sunday	10.00am	Prayer Meeting
	10.45am	Morning Communion led by our Pastor
	7.00pm	Evening Worship led by our Pastor
Tuesday	9.30am	Park Friendship Centre
	12.00noon	Prayer Meeting
	7.30pm	Park Friendship Centre
Wed'day	7.30pm	Deacons Meeting
Saturday	8.00am	A Morning of Prayer
	6.30pm	Portuguese Worship led by our Associate Pastor
	9.30pm	Street Pastors begin their nights work
Sunday	10.00am	Prayer Meeting
	10.45am	Morning Worship led by our Pastor
	7.00pm	Evening Worship arranged by Brian King

Housegroups

We hold meetings for Bible Study, Prayer and Fellowship in various homes on a fortnightly basis - we encourage all regular worshippers to join with these groups - and you can obtain details from Judith Gilbertson (Northern Villages), Lessie & Richard Keenan (Central Yarmouth) or Kim Symeou (Bradwell)

This Morning's Bible Readings

Psalm 145.1-7
Exodus 12.1-14
Matthew 26.17-30

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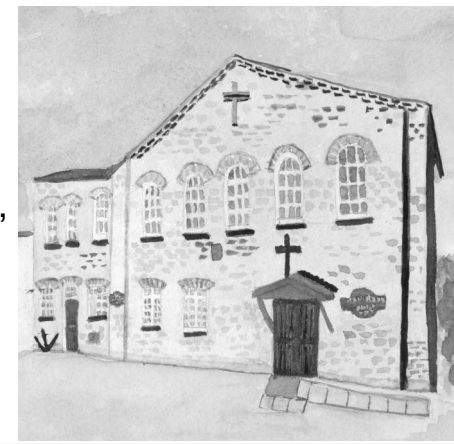
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Welcome to

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Sunday 21st February 2010



Two invitations ...

This morning we invite all who love the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour and Lord to share with us in the service that we call Holy Communion of the Lord's Supper.

Almost all Christian denominations encourage their members to share bread and wine together - and yet the understanding of what this service actually means can vary quite considerably. During this service, as part of our on-going series on Baptist Distinctives, I will try to explore a little of the specific Baptist understanding surrounding this special meal.

Whilst I hope that this will be helpful, perhaps the bigger question concerns the expectations of this service that each of us brings month by month. On the first occasion when Jesus instituted such a meal the disciples weren't quite sure what to expect! They prepared for a normal Passover Meal - but after three years with Jesus they may have anticipated that Jesus would transform their understanding. However, the fact that they got into arguments as to which of them was the greatest - rather than focusing upon the nature of servanthood - suggest that any expectation they had was wide of the mark.

My prayer is that each of us will coe this morning expecting to encounter Jesus in His transforming power - which brings me to the second invitation!

Because on Saturday we will be holding a morning of prayer (see details inside) seeking the Lord who alone can transform us, our town, our nation and the world for the better. Please do join us for all or part of that morning.

Your Pastor, *Derrick*

Next Saturday - A Morning of Prayer

The Baptist family across the UK are being encouraged to join together in a special time of prayer next weekend - and for us at Park we will respond by making next Saturday, 27th February, a Morning of Prayer.

This is the week of our regular Saturday Morning Prayer Time which is to be extended with three periods of prayer:

From 8am to 9am we will be praying for this fellowship, that God will move amongst us in the power of the Holy Spirit bringing healing and renewal of our bodies, minds and souls.

From 9.30am to 10.30am we will be praying for our town and nation - that God will equip the church at large as effective witnesses and through that witness might bring spiritual, social and economic revival to the people.

From 11.00am to noon we will widen our horizons, using video clips from BMS World Mission, and pray for the world - that God may bring peace to all people and the environment in which they live.

Please do prepare to join us for all or part of the morning.

A Holiday with a Difference

John and Cheryl Dixon are taking a holiday in Gambia next month - and are keen to take in their luggage simple equipment such as pencils and colouring items that they can donate to schools in the area which they are told are in great need. If you think you can help them in this, please speak direct with John or Cheryl.



Some diary dates for early March

Borough Wide Churches Forum have announced that their next gathering will be on Thursday 4th March and will include news of the latest developments surrounding both Christian Aid and Fairtrade. Details available in the church foyer.

Jeff Lucas will be speaking at Norwich Central Baptist Church on Thursday 4th March at 7.30pm, alongside a performance from Saltmine Theatre Company. Tickets (£7/£6) from 01384 454808 or www.saltmine.org.

The Women's World Day of Prayer service for Great Yarmouth will take place here at 2.30pm on Friday 5th March, using material prepared by the Christian Women of Cameroon - alongside a family of over 3 million people worldwide who share in this annual event. See June day (or the noticeboard) for more details.

Our next Church Members Meeting, which is the Annual General Meeting, will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 11th March.

Some suggestions for prayer during this week

Witard Road Baptist Church, Norwich, have many plans for 2010. Their new Worship Centre is rising from the ground and they are hopeful that Easter Sunday may be the first service in their new building. They are also planning to offer their first "Y" course - which seeks to take people beyond their difficult questions to a place of discussion with others and then to the point where a relationship with Jesus is seen as the way forward in life.

The International Baptist Theological Seminary in Prague has been a leading centre for evangelical Christians across Europe for many years, with students from 40 nations studying there - but has recently faced financial challenges. Pray that the way through might be found.

In **Angola**, the nation in which Aldina was born, Christians will be worshipping with us today - but continue to face the challenges from the years of the civil war. The nation has been hit hard by the AIDS epidemic, and average life expectancy now stands at just 38.2 years. Baptists manage healthcare programmes offering support to thousands of needy people.