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2024 Church Text: "Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, on whom our faith depends from beginning to end." Hebrews 12:2

Sunday 21st April 2024

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10.30am

Mrs Zania van Schalkwyk

Sunday 28th April

10.30am

Revd. Sally Nelson, St Hild College.

Be aware of road closures for 10k

4pm

**Café Church
Don Brennan**

7.30pm

Embrace

Monday 22nd April

Toddlers	09.30 – 11.30
Jolt	15.30 – 17.00
Base	18.00 – 19.30
Prayer Meeting	19.00 – 19.45
J4	19.00 – 21.30
Aftershock	19.30 – 21.00

Tuesday 23rd April

Table Tennis	10.00 – 12.00
Hope and Light	15.45 – 16.45
Joyful Noise	19.00 – 21.00

Wednesday 24th April

Art Group	13.30 – 15.00
J3	15.30 – 17.00

Thursday 25th April

Coffee Pot	10.30 – 13.00
Communion	11.00 – 11.30
Ukulele Club	18.30 – 19.30
J2	15.30 – 17.00

Friday 26th April

Toddlers	09.30 – 11.30
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The
WEEK
AHEAD



Please be aware that the 10k run will be taking place on Sunday 28th April, there will be road closures throughout the morning.

The notices for **April** will be typed by
Chris Harrop
chrisharrop@dronfieldbaptist.co.uk
Please send by Wednesday. Thank you.

Gospel for the week

Monday (22nd April)
Luke 2 verses 41 – 52

Tuesday (23rd April):
Luke 3 verses 1 – 14

Wednesday (24th April):
Luke 3 verses 15 – 38

Thursday (25th April):
Luke 4 verses 1 – 13

Friday (26th April):
Luke 4 verses 14 – 30 S

Saturday (27th April):
Luke 4 verses 31 – 37

“Eat this book”

“What do you think John is saying to you today?”

Prayer Chain Contacts: If you would like to join the prayer chain or have a request that you would like us to pray for, please contact any of the following so that the message can be passed on to prayer chain members.

Church Life

The Pastoral Team: The pastoral team is here for you and members are happy to help. Please make sure that we are made aware of anyone’s needs. Do tell us, we really don’t mind if more than one person contacts us. Numbers are below:

How are we doing?

Please give any feedback on church life to a member of the leadership team.

Brief biography of our guest speaker on the 28th April 2024

Sally Nelson:

Sally has been in ministry for about 30 years, in churches and chaplaincies. She now teaches doctrine and pastoral studies (among other things) at St Hild College, where she also oversees Baptist Ministers in Training. She is a member at Wetherby and preaches round the YBA regularly. Sally is married and has one daughter with complex special needs who is now 25. She seeks to stick close to Jesus wherever he goes!

Favourite Hymns and Songs

Please could you put in the black box any songs you would like us to sing in Services.



Angel Tree Craft Fair

There will be a Craft Fair to raise money for

Angel Tree on **Saturday April 27th from 10am to 2pm** in Church.

Vicki is looking for people to bake for this event, if you can help this way, please let her know.

Because of this, there will be no Angel Tree cake sale on Sunday April 21st



Coffee Pot Help

We are going to be one, possibly two members of our team short from July onwards.

If you would like to help, it wouldn't be every week and you do not need to be a Masterchef, or actually need to cook.

Please contact Vicki Lax on 07837928704 or call in on a Thursday morning.

BMS BIRTHDAY SCHEME



Happy Birthday! To Kathy 21st, Jeannette 23rd, Robert 26th, all contribute to the BMS

birthday scheme, which supports medical work and health ministries across the world.

If you are interested in joining this scheme, please contact Wendy Temple. email wendy@temple03.info

Tel: 07769686853

Angel Tree - the figures for



last year's total have been made available by Prison Fellowship. In total 96 prisons

participated and 5172 gifts were sent. In 1994, the first year Angel Tree was run in the UK 60 gifts were sent. This

outreach has grown because of support financially and in prayer from all those who have been a part of Angel Tree. Thank you.

No sweets, just smiles – a child's generosity

For the second year in a row, a little girl's sweet money will be helping the children of Hope Home in Thailand

For the last two years eight-year-old Jessica Wright, a member of Laird St Baptist Church in Birkenhead, has saved £1 a week and donated to BMS World Mission's Hope Home through the Birthday Scheme.

Why? Because one day in church, she watched the Hope Home Birthday Scheme video and what she saw there touched her heart.

Each week, Jessica's nan, Rose, gives her £3 so she can treat herself with something nice. 'I don't really like sweets,' says Jessica. 'So I decided to give the money to Hope Home because they need it and I don't.'

Jessica is helping to make a difference in the lives of special needs orphans in Thailand. There the disabled are stigmatised and abandoned. If these children were placed in a big state-run orphanage, the over stretched staff there would not be able to provide the necessary therapy and care. "They needed help," says Jessica. "So I give them money to buy the medicine and everything that they need."

Jessica's generosity is inspiring to all and shows no signs of stopping. When

asked if she plans to continue saving and donating through the birthday scheme, her answer was a resounding "Yes."

So if you want to give but cannot think of a way to save up and do so, Jessica has a message for you. 'If you don't want sweets and you don't like them, then give the money to people who are in need.'

From BMS, Judy Cook and her staff and the children of Hope Home, thank you Jessica for helping to keep the smiles on their faces.

Thought for the Week

This week I would like us to ponder on the Scripture Psalms 51v 10-12 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right and steadfast spirit within me. The NLT says Renew a loyal spirit within me.

Recently I came across this piece, author unknown:

"Imagine you had a bank account that deposited \$86,400 each morning. The account carries over no balance from day to day, allows you to keep no cash balance, and every evening cancels whatever part of the amount you had failed to use during the day. What would you do? Draw out every dollar each day!

We all have such a bank. Its name is Time. Every morning, it credits you with 86,400 seconds. Every night it writes off, as lost, whatever time you have failed to use wisely. It carries over no balance from day to day. It allows no overdraft so you can't borrow against yourself or use more time than you have. Each day, the account starts fresh. Each night, it destroys any unused time. If you fail to

use the day's deposits, it's your loss and you can't appeal to get it back.

There is never any borrowing time. You can't take a loan out on your time or against someone else's. The time you have is the time you have and that is that. Time management is yours to decide how you spend the time, just as with money you decide how you spend the money. It is never the case of us not having enough time to do things, but the case of whether we want to do them and where they fall in our priorities." Every day we are given the chance to ask God to give us a clean start. Like David in Psalm 51 we know that God is merciful and will give us a clean start each day if we ask him for it. Daily we can ask him to renew us and give us a right spirit to serve him and others through the day that He has given. Lamentations 3 v22-23 The faithful love of the Lord never ends! His mercies never cease. Great is His faithfulness: his mercies begin afresh each morning.

Thank God that each morning we have a clean start and new mercies for that day as we go out to serve and love him. What will you do with your 86,400 seconds today?

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