

# August 2012

## Wot's On

### at Dursley TabernacleURC

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Wed 1 Aug 10 - 1pm Family Café in the main sanctuary of the Tabernacle. Helpers needed.

**Sun 5 Aug 10.30am Communion Service led by Rev Simon Helme with prayers for healing**  
**Theme: Unity in Community. Readings: 2 Samuel 11:26—12:13a Psalm 51:1–12**  
**Ephesians 4:1–16 John 6:24–35**

Tue 7 Aug 9am onwards Fabric Panel meet to work on church premises, we hope to see you.

Tue 7 Aug 9.30am Prayer Group meet in the church.

**Sun 12 Aug 10.30am Family service led by Rev John Burgess**

Tue 14 Aug 9am Fabric Panel meet to work on church premises, come and join us.

Tue 14 Aug 9.30am Prayer Group meet in the church.

Wed 15 Aug 10-1pm Family Café in the main sanctuary of the Tabernacle. Helpers needed.

**THU 16 Aug 9.30am - 11.30am LEPROSY MISSION COFFEE MORNING IN THE UPPER HALL AT THE TAB.** Please support this special Coffee Morning organised on behalf of the local churches in Dursley. We have cake, plant, fruit and vegetable stalls, books games and puzzles,

a tombola and raffle. Entrance is £1 to include coffee and biscuits. Please bring your friends. Christmas cards and gifts are available from The Leprosy Mission - so it's a chance to get some of your Christmas shopping done early. If anyone is available to help with serving tea and coffee please see Peggy Tresise.

**Sun 19 Aug 10.30am Family service led by Julie Jeffries.**

Tue 21 Aug 9am onwards Fabric Panel meet to work on the church premises.

Tue 21 Aug 9.30am Prayer Group meet in the church everyone is welcome.

**Sun 26 Aug 10.30am Pastorate Service at Sharpness URC led by Revd Simon Helme**  
**Theme: Strengthened and equipped. Readings: 1 Kings 8:(1, 6, 10–11), 22–30, 41–43**  
**Psalm 84 Ephesians 6:10–20 John 6:56–69**

Tue 28 Aug 9am onwards Fabric Panel meet to work on church premises.

Tue 28 Aug 9.30am Prayer Group meet in the church.

Wed 29 Aug 10-1pm Family Café in the main sanctuary of the Tabernacle. Helpers needed.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CHURCH MEMBER? To find out more speak to Simon – 542344.**

**WE THANK THOSE WHO KINDLY PROVIDED THE FLOWERS FOR JULY :-**

July 1 In memory of Marjorie Norris July 8 Val & Jim Smith July 15 Anne Noden

July 22 Avril and Brian Lamming July 29 Ronnie Harding

**Flowers are needed for the months ahead please.** If you would like to donate flowers, please enter your name on the list in the vestibule and see Joan Kingham if you need her to order the flowers.

**The Church Sound Desk rota is short of staff** and in need of more volunteers. You don't need to be a genius to operate it, just willing to learn and not too hard of hearing. Training and support will be given. If anyone is willing to help please see either Rod Irvine or Dennis Allen.

**The Fabric Panel**

For many years the Fabric Panel led by Ron Heathman have saved the Tabernacle around

£3000 a year in maintenance costs. Sadly some of the work is becoming beyond our physical abilities. In order give the same service in the future we require more help from able bodied members. If there is anyone interested in joining our 'Happy' little group please contact Ron. We will be glad to see you.

### **Church Notices during August and September**

If you have any additional church notices that are not in Wots On during August and September please contact Rod Irvine for 5<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, Liz for 19<sup>th</sup> and Carole Allen for 26<sup>th</sup> August please as Liz will be away. And in September contact Liz for 2<sup>nd</sup>, Rod for 9<sup>th</sup> and Carole for 18<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> September. If possible try to give notices to them in advance and avoid giving notices to them just before the service. Thank you.

### **News of the church family**

A message from Charlotte and Tim Roberts. Thank you to everyone for your prayers, kind wishes, cards and gifts on the birth of baby Jasper. It's much appreciated. Charli and Tim Congratulations to the "Nicaragua girls", Natalie Franks, Sarah Bilous and Laura Harris who have all graduated this year. We wish them well in their future employment. Ken Bloodworth after a short stay in Gloucester and Cirencester Hospitals is now in the Vale Community Hospital, and hoping to go home in the near future. Glyn Goulden has been very poorly once more and is awaiting a blood transfusion, and we also have been worried about Jan Strutt. These friends are in our thoughts and prayers, and we hope to have better news of them in the future. We think too of Tarina Cieciora, Doris Biddle, Margaret Pengelly, Peter Strange, Ron Heathman had a nasty fall, Joan Goulding who had a short stay in hospital and Nella Wintle who has had an eye operation. Eve Fellows is feeling stronger and it was lovely to see her in church once more, and Peggy Tresise is very much better. It was so good to see Victor Watts back in the Tabernacle and also to see both Jean and Charles Jukes. We still miss Audrey Stewart and Pip Whittard and hope they will soon feel well enough to return.

We rejoice with Liz and Danny Hecht in the adoption of their little daughter Mollie, and we wish them every blessing at this exciting time in their lives. Congratulations to Martine Carter on the birth of another grandson, Connor, James Alexander, a little brother for Debbie, and Chris Carter. It was lovely to see Charlotte and Tim Roberts in church with little Jasper.



Many of us remember Margaret Powell, a faithful member here for many years. She was greatly missed when she moved to live near her daughter. Margaret will be 100 years old on August 22<sup>nd</sup> and will celebrate this very special event on August 25<sup>th</sup> at the Prince of Wales Hotel, Berkeley Road. Congratulations Margaret, we wish you every happiness and blessing. Congratulations also to Anne and Michael Easey, who will celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary on August 25<sup>th</sup>. Our love and best wishes to you both.

**CHURCH FELLOWSHIP GROUPS** will recommence in mid September. If you are willing to lead or host a group please speak to Carole Allen [caroleallen28@gmail.com](mailto:caroleallen28@gmail.com) 542807 or Kathryn Palmer [kayjay@joric.freemove.co.uk](mailto:kayjay@joric.freemove.co.uk) 542381. The group will be looking at the book of Genesis in the autumn, linking up with some central minister led discussions on some of the contemporary issues facing Christians today such as Science and Evolution, beginning and end of life issues (abortion, euthanasia, assisted suicide) and issues of sexuality (sexual lifestyles, gay marriage).

## **CHRISTIAN AID COLLECTIONS 2012**

We have sent over £1500 to Christian Aid from the Door to Door Collections and donations from people at the tab and Sharpness. £745 of this was Gift Aided, so this will provide Christian Aid with an extra £186.25.

In addition Ronnie and a group of ladies provided tea and cake for Christian Aid and raised over £100 this amount was tripled as it went to the Kailahun Health project in Sierra Leone. This scheme is supported by the European Union. Any events which are aimed at raising money for Christian Aid this year will be able to take part in this scheme.

Many thanks to all who took part in the door to door collection and to all those who donated so generously to Christian Aid and to the ladies who did the teas.

**The Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust annual "Ride and Stride"** event will take place this year on Saturday 8th September.

The GHCT is a worthwhile charity which makes grants to assist in repair and maintenance of historic churches in Gloucestershire and has supported our recent development projects. The Ride and Stride event requires you to visit as many churches in Gloucestershire as you feel able to, travelling either by bicycle, on foot or on a horse! I guess scooters, space hoppers or pogo sticks would also count.

If anyone wishes to partake in this sponsored event please see Dennis Allen who can supply a sponsor form.

Dennis will be partaking himself and will be looking for sponsors.

As usual we will be also looking for volunteers on the day to staff the church and supply visitors with suitable refreshment.

### **Dates for your diaries**

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Thu 16 August Leprosy Mission Coffee Morning.

Thu 6 Sep 7.30pm Elders Meeting in the Upper Hall.

Sat 8 Sep The Gloucestershire Historic Trust annual "Ride and Stride" event.

Sun 23 Sep BIG WELCOME - invite your friends and neighbours to church - invites will be out soon (Harvest)

Sat 29 Sep 9.30am - 11am Saturday Coffee Morning hosted by Gill and Vic Watts ,all are welcome. Gifts of cakes and any items to sell would be very much appreciated.

Please come and supports us. Thank you.

Sun 30 Sep Church Meeting.

### **THE TWEMLOW TRUST**

**8 May Lane, Dursley Glos. GL11 4 HU, 01453 547838**

In 1718, the Reverend Joseph Twemlow, then Minister of Cam Meeting, opened a school in Dursley for the children of 'Protestant Dissenters'.

When this school closed in 1887, a trust in the name of Joseph Twemlow continued to support the education of Non-conformist young people in the area. Since 1947, this has been through donating small grants to students in higher education.

Applications are now invited from students in, or about to enter, higher education, for grants for the 20/12/13 academic year. Applicants must be from Nonconformist families and resident in the parishes of Dursley, Cam or Uley.

Applications should be made in writing, before August 31<sup>st</sup> to The Secretary, The Twemlow Trust, 38 MAY Lane, Dursley, Glos. GL11 4 HU. They must give details of the course of study being undertaken and confirm the eligibility of the claim under the terms of the Trust.

**Share a Prayer, and make Dursley Tab a powerful prayer base.**

**Please pray for the following items in the coming month.**

Please pray for our minister and the elders as they discuss and plan for the most suitable use of the upper floor in the parsonage.

Please pray, for ConnectAT the organisation that aims to help teenagers with autism. Pray that the leader, Martine Carter, and helpers will be able to obtain the necessary finance to go forward with their valuable work.

In the July issue of Reform Nigerian Christians have called upon the worldwide church to pray for their country after a spate of deadly attacks on churches in different parts of the country. Please pray for the Nigerian church and for all places where there is persecution of christians.

**August Rotas**

Please swap any duty you are unable to do and amend the rota in the reception room. Thank you.

Date	5 <sup>th</sup> August	12 <sup>th</sup> August	19 <sup>th</sup> August	26 <sup>th</sup> August	2 <sup>nd</sup> September
Duty Elder	Kathryn Palmer	Jan Strutt	Shirley Welsh	David Pritchard	Hilary Green
Vestry Elder	Jan Strutt	Hilary Green	David Pritchard	Carole or Dennis Allen	Kathryn Palmer
First Reading	Carole or Dennis Allen	Hazel Harris	Tarina Cieciora	Caroline Stables	Victor Watts
Second Reading	Glyn Goulden	Victor Watts	Peggy Tresise	Tarina Cieciora	Hazel Harris
Door Duty	Enid Fullard Michael Weedon	Lita Heathman Iain Hearn	Betty Hearn Alan Simpson	Jean Harris Joan Kingham	Enid Fullard John Harris
Welcome Team	Kathryn & John Palmer Tarina Cieciora Ron Swanwick	Dave Pritchard Joan Kingham Helene Dalrymple or Emma Byrne	Chris Purnell Carol Bye Malcolm Harris	Jan and Gray Strutt Peggy Tresise	Shirley and Matt Welsh Ronnie Harding
#Flower Distribution	Hazel Harris	Mary Sherratt	Peggy Tresise	Enid Fullard	Hilary Green

August Communion Preparation: Gloria Pritchard

Communion Servers: Shirley Welsh, Rod Irvine, Lionel Jones, Hilary Green



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