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#### **OUR MISSION**

Love Jesus

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## In Touch

#### 3rd September 2023

<u>Elder</u> Penny Stuart





#### Weekly message from Pam. A



Hello Everyone.

It was good to get together to worship with our brothers and sisters at St George's last week and we thank them for their hospitality.

So here we go again into the Autumn and the start of a new phase in our life and ministry. Having said that this Sunday sees the last of our Summer Services, Pastor

Paul will begin his next preaching theme on 10<sup>th</sup> September. Prayer for the Alpha Course is this Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September at AFC between 10.30 and 11.30. Come for the whole hour or any part of it that you can.

- This month sees the next Praise Event at AFC which will be on 16<sup>th</sup>. Look out for details here in the newsletter, notices on Sundays and on posters on the screens. If it is as successful as the last event, we will see the Holy Spirit moving powerfully among those worshipping.
- Please continue to pray for our Alpha Course which begins at the end of this month. The first phase is at AFC but the whole course is a joint effort with people from both churches serving throughout the whole course. Please consider offering your help in any way you can.
- We only have just over a couple of months before we send off our Christmas Shoeboxes. Now is the time to be collecting items for them. There will be information as to where and when to bring the items and the completed shoeboxes into church. We are the collection point in November for the whole of Dacorum. An alternative is to give on line through the Christmas Child website.
- A new opportunity to come together in quiet meditation will begin on September 15<sup>th</sup> at noon. For more details speak to Paul Bradford.
- We are so pleased to see Joanne joining the music team on Sundays. This is an answer to prayer. It would be so good to receive more of you into the team. If you are interested speak to Brian, Heather or Pam A.

Have a blessed week. Pam

coming up next week		
	Church Information	Other activities
Monday 4th	Office hours 1.30pm-3.30pm	
Tuesday 5th	Office hours 9am—1pm	Tai Chi 7.00-8.00pm
Wednesday 6th	Office hours 1.30pm-3.30pm	
Thursday 7th	Office hours 9am—1pm Worship Group Practice 6.30-7.30pm	
Friday 8th	Office closed Weekly prayer meeting 1.00pm-2.00pm	
Saturday 9th		
Sunday 10th	Service at 10:00	

To book onto an activity or to find out more, contact Admin on 01442 260 175

or Admin@adeyfieldfree.org.uk

There are also affordable Counselling sessions running throughout the week, with both male and female counsellors available. For more information contact: counselling@adeyfieldfree.org.uk / 07960 431 274

Alpha



Who can you invite?

An invitation by word of mouth is proven to be the most successful way that people come to a course.

Offer to bring someone and come with them yourself.

Please start inviting friends, work colleagues, family members - sign up at the AFC office or give your names to Janiel or any of the Alpha Team.

For more info speak to Dave or Liz Kerry, Sue Grimsdale, Beth Tutton, Angela Messenger, Jo Halden, Pat Gosling or Paul Stein.

The course will run on Thursday evenings from Sept 28th - Dec 7th jointly with St George's. Please speak to Dave or Liz Kerry asap.

The Alpha Team

#### **Pastoral & Prayer**

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13

Many thanks to all of you who use this prayer page during your regular prayer times.

Let's engage our faith in God's power and mercy. As we lift names and situations in faith, God deals with the details.

We thank you Lord.....

For continued blessing

For the continued wellbeing of Liz K.

For our Christian family across the town

We lift those who need healing or support to God and thank Him for His action as we pray

For Mark, Liz and Lenny

For June P as she continues to have tests

For those we know with families under stress

For those we know whose marriages are strained

Also bring to the Lord our prayers for.....

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Children, students and teaching staff beginning another year in education.

Our Alpha course that all the meals and support opportunities will be covered

Please continue to pray for all who have been on the list recently. Bless you.

# Just one touch of the King changes everything



If you are reading with us we complete this series on:

<u>3rd September reading:</u> Evangelistic strategies p69-74 Philip, the angel and the eunuch p75-79 Rude interruptions p96-99 Paul, Silas and the jailer p118-120

Books still available for £8 minimum donation

### Counselling at AFC

#### Affordable Counselling for All the Community

based at Adeyfield Free Church Centre Maylands Avenue HP2 4GZ Individual & group sessions available with qualified & experienced counsellors

Contact us: Phone: 07960 431274 / 01442 260175 E-mail: counselling@adeyfieldfree.org.uk

#### MINISTRY AND MISSION FUND – ANNUAL LETTER OF THANKS TO LOCAL CHURCHES

The M&M finance team have written to all churches to thank them for their continued support over the last 12 months. The letter talks about the difficulties churches have been subjected to since COVID which continues to cause financial constraints with the various disruptions and high Cost of Living the country is currently living through.

To quote on paragraph from this letter:

'So, thank you to all who continued to contribute to your local church, thank you to all those churches who met their commitment for 2022 in full, and thank you to all those who, in adversity, continued to treat the M&M Fund as the first priority and paid what they could.

With normal service not yet resumed, 2023 is not going to be an easy year either. We now have the addition disruption of high inflation, pushing up wages and overhead costs. As the Sprit directs and as our means allow, can the churches once more respond to the call of our gracious, loving and evergenerous God'.

For those who would like to read the complete letter a copy of this will be printed in the magazine this month.

Shirley



#### Facebook:

We have a closed group so people can write freely and encourage one another - join us at: <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/19413144568/</u>

#### The website:

<u>https://adeyfieldfree.org.uk</u> is updated weekly with study notes, weekly encouragements, Sunday Sermons and details of what is happening. Please let Admin or Penny know if you would like something added.



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#### **Church meeting**

At 11.30am on Sunday 10th September our next church meeting will take place in church after the morning worship service.

Please send any apologies to <u>secretary@adeyfieldfree.org.uk</u> if you are not able to attend. All welcome to attend but only members are entitled to vote.

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The elders appreciate your prayers for them. The days set aside for each elder: Sunday: Sue Monday: Brian Tuesday: Shirley Wednesday: Heather Thursday: Dave Friday: Pam Saturday: Penny Everyday; Rev Paul Stein

## BUILDING TOGETHER THE FUTURE OF CHURCHES **OGETHER IN HEMEL HEMPSTEAD** Come and be part of the design! **St Barnabas Church** The Queens Square, Adeyfield Saturday 16th September 10.30am - 2pm (Lunch together at 1pm) To help us plan for catering, please tell us if you plan to attend. Email: secretary@cthh.org.uk