



MEASHAM BAPTIST CHURCH

January 2023



But be sure to fear the LORD and serve him faithfully with all your heart; consider what great things he has done for you.

1 Samuel 12:24

Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 am

Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 pm

Family Service last Sunday of every month

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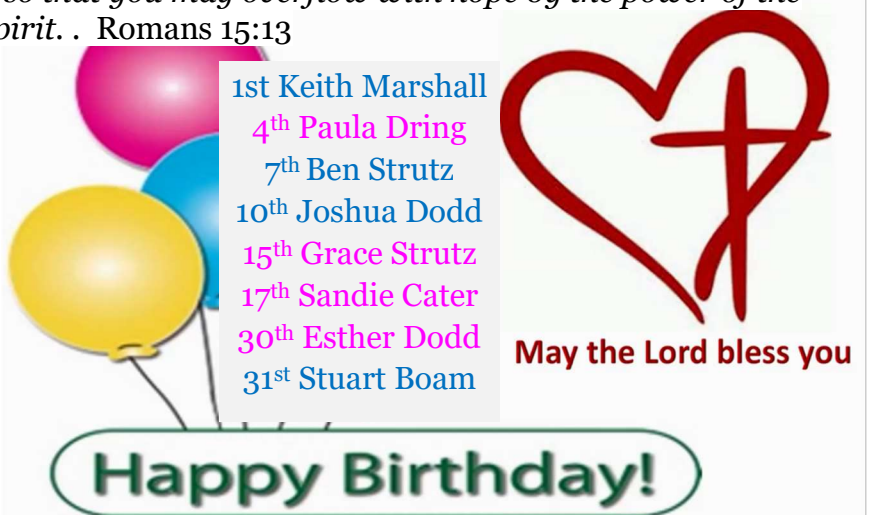
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WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

<u>Mondays</u> 6:15 – 7:45 pm	1 st Measham Girls' and Boys' Brigade
<u>Tuesdays</u> 9:30 – 11:30 am 10:00 am	Smarties - craft and play for babies & tots Walk & Talk (Hicks Lodge - LE65 2UP)
<u>Wednesdays</u> 7:00 pm	Testify – Singing Group
<u>Thursdays</u> 7:30 – 9:00 pm	Bible Study and Prayer Meeting
<u>Fridays</u> 9:00 – 10:30 am	Friday Breakfast Food Bank

BIRTHDAYS

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



1st Keith Marshall
4th Paula Dring
7th Ben Strutz
10th Joshua Dodd
15th Grace Strutz
17th Sandie Cater
30th Esther Dodd
31st Stuart Boam

May the Lord bless you

Happy Birthday!

THIS MONTH

<u>LUNCH CLUB</u>		
Wednesday 11 th		12:00 noon
<u>LIFT (Ladies in Fellowship Together)</u>		
Wednesday 4 th & 18 th		10:00 am
<u>GIFT (Gentlemen in Fellowship Together)</u>		
Thursday 5 th & 19 th		9:00 am
For details contact Michael: 07795 288554		
<u>Men's Breakfast</u>		
Saturday 28 th		8:30 am

JANUARY CAFÉ

January Cafe every Saturday in January 11am-2pm serving free hot meals and drinks. Please contact Sarah if you can help by providing a hot main e.g., lasagne/cottage pie, soup, a hot pudding or cake for any of the 4 dates or if you can help out in the kitchen or serving.

Thank you
Sarah



CUPPA AND A CHAT

Held in our lounge between 1pm and 3pm every Thursday afternoon.

Please speak to Ronna if you are able to help.

In addition, the Measham Warm Places group will be holding a monthly clothes/toy sale at the library to raise funds and provide affordable clothing. If you have any donations, please put them on the pews by the organ on the balcony.

TESTIFY

A big thankyou to all who attended the Testify Concert on 16th Dec. We hope you enjoyed it. Testify members enjoyed performing and hope to practice for a number of concerts in 2023.

It would be good to welcome new members as we start new songs in January. If you feel you'd like to join us on a Wednesday at 7pm, our first meeting of the new year will be Wed 4th January. If you would like to know more, talk to Chris. If you feel like you need persuading to join talk to Annie or Pauline. If you need even more persuasion, talk to both Annie and Pauline.



Chris



WATCH THIS SPACE

27th February - 4th March 2023

You Will STEP :-

"Through the Wardrobe and Into the Light"

**TO A PLACE WHERE ANIMALS TALK, AND IT'S
ALWAYS WINTER BUT NEVER CHRISTMAS**

For more information and to book visit:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/447054571257>



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Dear Fellowship...

As I write this, I am recovering (slowly) from an infection that has laid me low for nearly 3 weeks!

We live in a fallen world and cannot, even as Christians, expect to be protected from its effects. Good stuff and bad stuff happens to all of us, but at least, as Christians, we can be sure that God knows and is in control. We don't, however, know His plans or His will for our lives. We just trust!

Jesus spoke of this in Luke Ch13 v4 when he quotes a disaster where 18 people were killed when a tower fell on them. He said, "Do you think they were more guilty than all others in Jerusalem? I tell you, no."

When disasters (or even just illnesses happen), we are quick to look for a reason. Often, we say;

- Suffering is proportional to sinfulness
- Tragedy is sight of God's judgement
- Bad things only happen to bad people

To each of these assumptions, Jesus says "No".

When anything painful, sorrowful or grievous befalls us, it is never an act of injustice on God's part, because God does not owe us freedom from such things, just as He doesn't from falling towers.

Instead, Jesus uses this occasion to point all of us to our own frailty and our personal need for repentance. This is the only way to avoid the "tower of His final judgement" falling on our heads!

Blessings

Les

SUNDAY ROTA

Sun	Morning Service	Evening Service	Communion and Flowers	Refreshments
1 st	George Goldsmith	No Service	Janice Boam AM	Nicola & Al
8 th	Richard Lee	TBC		Leigh-ann & Colin
15 th	Ian Hunter	David Donegarni	Janice Boam AM	Hester & Alan
22 nd	Simon Brown	Stuart Glover		Peter & Katy
29 th	Nathan Ling	Adam Boam		Lesley & Adrian



Donations of any of the following would be much appreciated:

- LONGLIFE MILK- SEMI OR FULL FAT.
 - INSTANT MASH
 - TINNED CARROTS, OR SWEETCORN
 - LONGLIFE SPONGE PUDDINGS
 - WASHING TABLETS
 - DEODORANT PREFERABLY NEUTRAL
 - SHAMPOO
 - SHAVING FOAM
 - WASHING UP LIQUID
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