

# MEASHAM BAPTIST CHURCH October 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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#### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

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

$4^{\text{th}}$	Jemimah Dring	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Hester Harris	
$8^{\mathrm{th}}$	Katrina Strutz	
10 <sup>th</sup>	Al Webster	
26 <sup>th</sup>	Alice Reed	
26 <sup>th</sup>	Annie Hughff	
30 <sup>th</sup>	Lynne Jones	

We *love* to sing Happy Birthday! So, if we haven't got your special day on our list, please let Leigh-ann know.

# THIS MONTH

LUNCH CL	<u>UB</u>				
Wednesday	11 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 pm			
LIFT (Ladies in Fellowship Together)					
Wednesday	$4^{th} \ \& 18^{th}$	10:00 am			
<b><u>GIFT (Gentlemen in Fellowship Together)</u></b>					
Thursday	$5^{\mathrm{th}}$ & 19^{\mathrm{th}}	9:00 am			
For details contact Michael: 07795 288554					
MEN'S BREAKFAST					
Saturday	$28^{th}$	8:30 am			



Donations of any of the following would be much appreciated (please place items in the basket in church, thank you)

- TINNED FRUIT
- CUSTARD TINNED OR PACKET
- INSTANT MASH
- LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE
- INSTANT NOODLES/ CUPPA SOUP/ MUGSHOTS
- LONG LIFE MILK- EITHER FULL FAT OR SEMI
- COFFEE
- TEA
- TOILET ROLLS
- DEODORANT PREFERABLY NEUTRAL

## SONG RECOMMENDATIONS

Following on from Iona's song recommendations in last month's newsletter.....

Phil Wickham – This is our God

https://youtu.be/lC\_eI8B1qGI

If you have a particular song you would like to suggest please let me know and I'll include it in future newsletters.

Leigh-ann

# SOCIAL MEDIA AND ADVERTISING

If anyone wants to advertise their event/group on our church Facebook page, could they please let me know.

I am also happy to create posters for these too, I just need to know all the info and that you want it advertising.

Thanks

Alice



## The Great Pudding Debate

Ladies you are warmly invited to attend (friends most welcome)

8pm at Measham Baptist Church

#### Tuesday 10th October 2023

Bring a homemade pudding or cake which will be entered into the debate!

The Great Pudding Debate, for the uninitiated, was a pre-covid annual event which is making a come-back in 2023!

This outreach opportunity was dreamt up to appeal to women of all ages and is a gentle introduction to our Church. If you have never been, this is not to be missed and entirely suitable for friends to come along to without fear of pressure or discomfort. Essentially what happens, is a huge blind tasting of around 40 dessert dishes. Voting is anonymous and the winner is crowned Queen of Puddings 2023 and receives a crown, sash and bouquet whilst the 2 runners up receive the title Maid of Honour. Whilst votes are calculated I usually give a thought for the day based around my own experiences. I have an idea already about making mistakes which I am eager to share.

Please prayerfully consider who to invite, we want a packed house (and plenty of pudding) to make this a successful outreach.

Paula

## Dear Fellowship...

As people so graciously and kindly reminded me a week or so ago, I am now 50 years old. Or perhaps 50 years young! But despite the sentiment, we are all getting older, and as folks often remind me aching in more and more places.

Growing up I knew lots of 'old' people, mainly through church and in my family. They all showed a great interest in me, gave of their time and talents, and were role models to me in a host of different ways.

One of my relatives, I'll call her Auntie B, always seemed pleased to see us all, but could be very blunt and critical in her comments. There were clearly people and places that in her mind didn't quite measure up and she was not afraid to say so. I got the impression the home she spent her last days in wasn't really good enough for her.

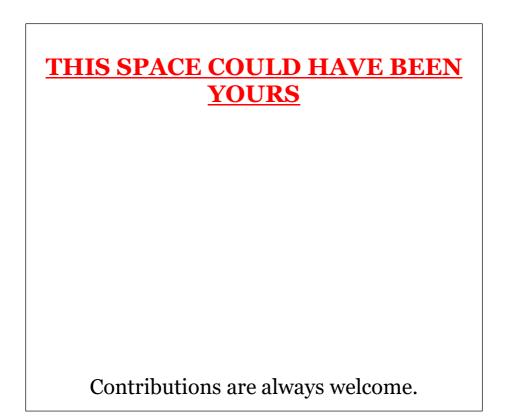
Compare her with my grandmother, a little old lady with a very strong character. She suffered from arthritis to the extent that her hands were misshapen. Every so often we would be told that she had been rushed to the hospital in the night with some form of internal complication. She struggled to walk any distance so never came on our walks to explore the woods. And yet I never heard her complain, not once. She usually said grace before dinner and I will always remember with huge fondness and eternal gratitude how she told me, a fit and healthy twenty something at the time, how she prayed for me every night.

We are all role models, in some way shape or form, to those around us. Whether we like it or not people see us, copy us, imitate us and remember us. In Corinthians Paul tells us we are *"the fragrance of Christ to those around us"*. I long to be the sort of Christlike influence to others that my grandmother was to me. I hope that is true for all of us.

David

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

Please don't forget to give information for events in forthcoming months – a heads up could make all the difference.



# **SUNDAY ROTA**

Sun	Morning Service	Evening Service	Communion and Flowers	Refreshments
1 <sup>st</sup>	Richard Lee	Tony Hodkinson	Sophie PM	Strutz Family
8 <sup>th</sup>	Maurice Nicholls	Ian Mellor		Rob & Phil
15 <sup>th</sup>	Phil Baraniak	Simon Allen	Sophie AM	Sarah & David
22 <sup>nd</sup>	TBA	Pravin		Jackie & Iona
29 <sup>th</sup>	Family Service	Colin Woodward		Leigh-ann & Colin

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Sun	Morning Service	Evening Service
1 <sup>st</sup>	Michael/Colin	Flo
8 <sup>th</sup>	Colin/Mircea	Colin
15 <sup>th</sup>	Michael/Will	Flo
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Michael/Mircea	Flo
29 <sup>th</sup>	Alice/Ben	Colin