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Prayer Requests:

Please pray for:

- Pray for Dave Harris & Sally, that health would improve.
- Other health needs, to include: Angeline, David Smith, Pete, Dorothy and Derek, Sonia, Cal, and all those who are looking after ageing or poorly relatives. Pray also for baby Toby who has had to have brain surgery.
- Those facing challenging or unfair work situations that they will have wisdom as they respond and speak. Pray for Pete as he continues to look for work, and for Trish that the Lodge will stay open safeguarding her employment.
- That we would have the thrill of seeing people come to faith in Christ, and some others moving into the area who wish to join with us.
- For opportunities to witness, particularly over the Christmas period.
- For all those who have relationship difficulties, that God would do a miracle and cause restoration.
- This month, pray especially for: Bev Asher, Sonia Boness, Josh & Louise Bromley, Carol Bufton, Christine Bundy, Tim, Judith, Matt & Sarah Coles

Invitation to You.....Please R.S.V.P

This is YOUR Newsletter, which you are very welcome to submit Articles, Testimonies or Prayer Requests to.

All I ask is that you get your submissions to me by the 20th of the Month, preferably via e-mail to:

timcoles@me.com

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Verse for the month: 1 Peter 4:10 Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.



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I never cease to be amazed and humbled as I watch the Remembrance Service at the Albert Hall that commemorates those who lost their lives in the service of their country. I have always assumed that it particularly touches those for whom a loved one has been lost, or who have had relatives that have served in the Armed Forces. Just recently I have been watching a documentary about 16-17 year olds who join the British army. Some have had quite wild lives, and joined up for a fresh start, others have had a military background, and still others just sense a calling to sign up. Part of their training has entailed going to the French beaches and experiencing descriptions and acting out what happened in 1940 as our forces sought to push the German army back. Some of you will have memories of this, and I do not wish to be insensitive, but many lost their lives. Similarly, Winston Churchill spoke of the RAF who had defended this country against the might of the German air force, and said "Never was so much owed by so many to so few." Our Lord Jesus willingly left Heaven to come and be our Redeemer (Hebrews 10: 5-10) he was abandoned by his followers, falsely accused, condemned by lies, handed over to be crucified by a weak Governor, and publicly humiliated. He did this for you & I, that we might be forgiven, adopted into his family and guaranteed eternal life.... This is OUR GOD. So as Christ has set the example, and in the words of the hymn: let us learn how to serve, and in our lives enthrone Him; each other's needs to prefer, for it is Christ we're serving. The Christian life is like badminton.... you only score when you're serving! Each of us has time, talents, and money. So how will we invest in the service of others that honours those who have gone before?

Doing nothing is not an option!

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What can you do?

It is great to report that Glenis & Hilda have been busy knitting hats for children in Uganda. 157 hats have been produced & now dispatched, and we are sure will bring much pleasure to the children who receive them.



It begs the question, "what could we do?" Well perhaps there are 2 answers:

1. You could bring items in to fill a shoe-box that will be sent to children for Christmas. This could either be several items to fill a whole shoe box, or just single items that will be put together with contributions from others. A list of suitable items can be obtained from Jackie Lines, or Cherilyn Roberts.

2. You could write 1 Christmas card to the whole fellowship (rather than spending money on lots of cards) and then put the money you have saved into

an envelope, marked "Brian Gault". We will round the money up, & then pass it on to Brian to be used to help children affected by Thalidomide in Brazil & other places of the world. Please see this as a gift in addition to your tithe. Please also note that whilst Judith & I are always pleased and humbled to receive encouragement, we would much prefer you to put money into this kind of work, than buy us chocolates etc at Christmas time.

So, you might not be able to knit.... but you can do something to help others this Christmas!

Christmas Social:

Our Christmas social this year will be at the Burway Bowling Club on Saturday 7th Jan 2017 starting at 7:15pm.

We could not get an "easy date" before Christmas, and so hope that this will give you all something to look forward to. There will be a nominal cost of £2, but you can bring 1 guest for free for this charge.

We may ask for donations of food, but Jackie Lines will organise this for us.



PLEASE BOOK IN via Jackie Lines & be prepared to come and have some fun!

This month's Diary:

Dates for this month:

Tue 1st 10:30am Quiet Morning in the Oasis Room
Wed 2nd 7:30pm Waiting on God - Tim leading
Thu 3rd 9:45am Discussional Bible Study in the Oasis Room
Thu 3rd 11:45am Freedom in Christ in the Oasis Room
Sun 6th 10:30am Worship & Teaching - Margaret speaking
Wed 9th 7:15 for 7:30pm LEADERS PRAYER & BUSINESS
Thu 10th 9:45am Discussional Bible Study in the Oasis Room
Thu 10th 11:45am Freedom in Christ in the Oasis Room
Sun 13th 10:30 Remembrance Sunday - Dain leading & speaking
Mon 14th 7pm Men meeting in the Oasis Room
Wed 16th Prayer meeting - Jean leading
The 17th 9:45am Discussional Bible Study in the Oasis Room
Thu 17th 11:45am Freedom in Christ in the Oasis Room
Thu 17th 7:30pm Filling Station with Dave Kelly at Penlu Sports Club, Tenbury
Sun 20th 10:30am Worship & Teaching - Cherilyn speaking
Wed 23rd 6:30pm Nibbles followed at 7:30pm CHURCH AGM - **Please support**
Thu 24th 12:30 Ladies Alive A film will be shown
Sun 27th 10:30am Worship & Teaching - Jackie L speaking
Wed 30th 7:30pm Prayer meeting - Dain leading

Dates for the future:

2nd Dec 6:30pm Panto at Ludlow Assembly Rooms - Tickets available from Tim at £4 each
18th Dec Christmas Invitation Service, start talking to friends etc NOW
20th Dec 6pm Living Nativity, starting from the War memorial
25th Dec Christmas Day Worship 10:30 - 11:15am
28th Dec 7:30pm Prayer / Dedication for the new year, Tim leading
7th Jan 2017 7:15pm Christmas Social - Please see opposite page.

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