



UPPER EDGE BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter

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When we see a fertile land ravaged by
war, its people homeless and bereft,
lives torn apart and the arrogance of
power in bombs and weapons, we cry
out to you Lord -
Let there be peace.
Amen



*I'll explain about the photo on the front cover in
the next edition of the newsletter. In the
meantime I wonder if you know what the name
of the flower is and can guess where it was
found growing.*

A hearing loop
is installed in
church.



JULY & AUGUST 2022



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Dear All,

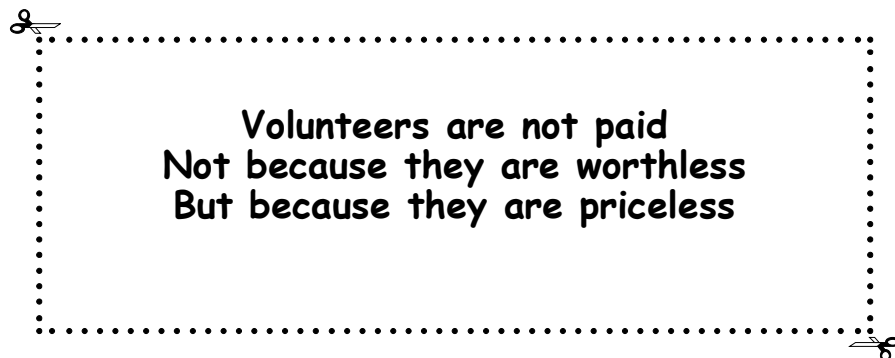
Instead of a letter this time for July and August we would like to continue with introducing you to some of the activities which our church family get up to during the week. In the previous newsletter Allan Wolfenden wrote about his many interests and his involvement as one of the founder members of the Cromwell Bottom Wildlife Group and his involvement with volunteering in various aspects of Conservation work.

In this edition David writes about his role as a volunteer for Overgate Hospice which he has been doing for quite a number of years now.

Also of some interest might be some of the different items we have tried to introduce. Please do email or drop a note in the church letter box if passing to give the church some feedback on how we can serve our community at Upper Edge and the local area.

Every Blessing

Anne Inwood



Volunteering for Overgate

I started volunteering for Overgate Hospice when our former Minister, Rev Malcolm Brown, became a part-time Chaplain and mentioned they needed volunteers. I have been a volunteer driver now for over 15 years.

My first job was to collect "guests" for day care, and then to take them home.

When the Halifax shop opened I was asked if I would like to do some house collections as they were not getting many donations. I agreed, and did the collections between collecting and taking home my "guests".

I continued until November 2019 when I had my knee replacement operations, followed by the start of Covid.

In April 2021 I was allowed to return to Overgate, and it was suggested that I should stop doing house collections and service the shops instead. This involves taking correspondence to each shop and collecting anything that needs transferring or returning to the office.

In 2010 I had the honour of collecting an award on behalf of the Hospice volunteers.

During my time I have met many lovely people who really care about Overgate and received a number of tokens of appreciation for my volunteering.

"because I cared they can"

There are two items I'm most proud of:-

I have a badge which says "I'm proud to be a volunteer".

Probably the most inspiring item is the motto on my T-shirt which is "because I cared they can".

After attending the LICC course, as part of my "Frontline", I placed a Prayer box in the Day Care and IPU for anyone to request a prayer for a loved one or themselves, and we have prayed for them at Time To Reflect at church on Wednesday mornings.

Finally I hope to carry out the "Motto" for as long as I am able.

David Kaye

JULY

Sunday 3rd

10.30am

11.45am

Tuesday 5th

3.00pm

Wednesday 6th

10.00am

Sunday 10th

10.30am

Morning Worship led by Mr Philip Ainley
Church Meeting

Deacons' Meeting at Church

Time To Reflect

Morning Worship including Communion led by Rev
Allan Wolfenden

Names for lunch on the 13th – TODAY please

Wednesday 13th

10.00am

12.15 for 12.30pm

Saturday 16th

8.30pm

Sunday 17th

10.30am

Wednesday 20th

10.00am

Sunday 24th

10.30am

Time To Reflect
Lunch

Men's Breakfast @ The Toby Carvery

Morning Worship led by Mr Daryll Hackett

Time To Reflect

Morning Worship led by Mrs Lorraine Tatham and
friends

Time To Reflect

Morning Worship led by Julian Dowson



AUGUST

Wednesday 3rd

10.00am

Sunday 7th

10.30am

Wednesday 11th

10.00am

12.15 for 12.30pm

Sunday 14th

10.30am

Time To Reflect

Morning Worship led by Mrs Janet Lawton

Time To Reflect
Lunch

Morning Worship including Communion Rev Philip
Clements-Jewery

Time To Reflect

Morning Worship led by the Deacons and friends -
Rescue



Wednesday 24th

10.00am

Sunday 28th

10.30am

Wednesday 31st

10.00am

SEPTEMBER

Sunday 4th

10.30am

Time To Reflect

Morning Worship led by Rev Allan Wolfenden

Time To Reflect

Morning Worship led by members and friends

To All in The Community - That means YOU

Wednesday 12th May

Church Lunch @ 12.15 for 12.30pm

2 course meal with tea, coffee and chocolates.
and a few jokes.

Please book your place NOW. Donations welcome

Contact Lorraine on 01422 823013

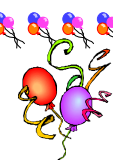
We cater for many diets eg vegetarians, vegans, coeliacs - you must let us
know though in advance when you sign the notice in the Church Hall or
alternatively ring to book your place. Do come along to this informal meal
for a chat, good food and generally a laugh or two and a few jokes.



BIRTHDAY GREETINGS in

JULY

AUGUST



Ernestine Lyonga
David Wilkinson

23rd
30th

Christine Lister
Simplice Lyonga
Penny Goodman

2nd
5th
31st

We hope that Simplicie and Penny have a great time celebrating
their birthdays in August.



News of and from the Fellowship

Please remember in your prayers those who mourn the loss of family members and friends. Help us to be there for them and often just to wait in silence and listen when they speak.

Don't forget to let someone know if you would like us to pray for them.

Father in heaven, may we share the light and life of Jesus with others today, and always.



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Upper Edge Baptist Church and Me

A very dear friend died and I rang Allan, our Pastor for many years, to inform him. As we chatted, I expressed my need to find a new spiritual home and one of the things I felt was important in church services was hearing people's testimonies. He told me that on the following Sunday, Clive would be doing just that & also that U.E.B.C. fostered good relationships. As I have only missed one Sunday since then (due to attending a wedding 'up north') I guess Beryl's passing started a new journey for me. I have been so very blessed meeting the church family here, many of whom I already knew.

The worship, prayers, fellowship and importantly, God's Word preached, have been truly precious and I must mention the ginger biscuits...wow! After enjoying a wonderful evening of food, fun & fellowship on the 11th June, I left feeling so glad that I was part of it all.

Thank you, church family, for your welcome and love and may you all enjoy many blessing in the years ahead.

Hazel Murgatroyd

The following verses were given to two people very recently and when the Time to Reflect group heard they felt it was something which could be put in the Newsletter, in big print to remind our people of God's care for us.

Maggie, a friend of Louise and Paul, who was connected with our church years ago and came to a service recently, told them she was given a prophetic word for Upper Edge Baptist Church.

It was Isaiah ch.43 verses 18 and 19, just the same message as Joyce, one of our members, received for us.

*Forget the former things:
Do not dwell on the past.
See I am doing a new thing!
Now it springs up; do you not perceive it?
I am making a way in the desert
and streams in the wasteland.*

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Wise words from an amazing lady

Worrying is carrying tomorrow's load with today's strength — carrying two days at once. It is moving into tomorrow ahead of time. Worrying does not empty tomorrow of its sorrow; it empties today of its strength.



Corrie ten Boom

Cornelia "Corrie" ten Boom grew up in a devoutly religious family. During World War II, she and her family harboured hundreds of Jews to protect them from arrest by Nazi authorities. Betrayed by a fellow Dutch citizen, the entire family was imprisoned. Corrie survived and started a worldwide ministry and later told her story in a book entitled *The Hiding Place*.

CICS Christians in Calderdale Schools

On behalf of the Trustees, I acknowledge receipt today of £412.00 and express our thanks for this donation. It will help CICS to continue its work with young people particularly in the Brighouse area through our work at Brighouse High School and Longroyde Primary.



Please pass on our grateful appreciation to members of your church family for this gift.

We are holding a Prayer meeting on the 28th June, 7.30pm, at Cornerstone 139 Cafe venue, in their upstairs room, and would appreciate you making this known to your folk. It will be an opportunity to receive a short update on our work and a time of prayer.

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BMS World Mission

Thank you for your recent gift of £412.00 towards PEPE's work. On behalf of all of us at BMS World Mission, thank you.



What BMS is doing through PEPE is giving young children the best possible preparation for school. They certainly need it. Half of all children in Mozambique do not progress beyond primary school, making their futures precarious. The initiative is currently being run by churches in 60 disadvantaged areas across the country, with more starting this year. Over 3,500 children from poor backgrounds are learning basic lessons like colours, numbers and the alphabet in creative, interactive ways, preparing them for a good start in school. They are also introduced to stories about Jesus, so are growing in their knowledge of him, too.

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May we support the people of Ukraine in whatever way we are able and remember them daily in our prayers.



Liz and Sergio Vilela

Patience is the noblest and gentlest of virtues.
William Shakespeare June 2022

www.bmsworldmission.org/lsvilela



Dear all, as we write this prayer letter, we reflect on Christians living a patient life, trusting that God is in control of all things. The follower of Christ should always remember the example of the farmer set by James, who patiently waits for the fruit that is precious (James 5:7-9). No fruit appears ripe and ready for harvest overnight. One must plant the seed, and be ready for a long wait. As the apostle Paul wrote, "let us not grow weary in doing good, for in due season we shall reap, if we do not faint" (Galatians 6:9).

Patience is a virtue that we all need, but I always tell my friends that my patience has multiplied here in Mozambique. Every project we start we have a perspective of when it will be finished. Here in Mozambique, we know when we will start but without any perspective of when we will finish..... but the good news is that we finished the corn mill in Buzi. The process went through the approval of the local government, the local chief and only then we started the construction which also passed the approval of the government and the local chief, and everyone made this approval go very slowly to put pressure on giving a bribe as a way to speed up the process. We also had to deal with the whole process of building and assembling the mill. So you have an idea, one day the technician who was assembling the mill called and said that one of the parts was not working, so I asked if he had already tried everything to get it to work and he said yes. So we agreed that I would take it to the shop to exchange it for another one. The day before I planned to travel 3 hours on a very bad road to make this exchange, I called again to check it still wasn't working and he said it wasn't. So I made the trip and when I arrived at the mill, he said he had moved it around and it was already working perfectly. I asked if he hadn't thought to call me to let me know, he said he had no credit but could you message me? Then he said he didn't think about it, then I thought, God increases my patience, because I need it.

At the end of May, we travelled to the UK for home assignment and a BMS conference, but first we were able to attend Liz's sister's wedding. It was a great celebration and time together with family and friends and we are grateful to God that we were able to be there. We also managed to visit Sergio's sister in Portugal and meet her twin girls who will be two this month, a trip we planned to make last year but became impossible due to Covid. All precious moments with family.



Before travelling, we celebrated the third group finishing the 'introduction to trauma' course. We had a time for them to share what they learnt with their invited guests, we presented them with certificates (Mozambicans love certificates!) and had some food to celebrate the occasion. The course is one session a week over 8 weeks and the Holy Spirit gave me patience and perseverance with the group when each week I would get a message from at least one person to say that they wouldn't be able to make it, either because they had exams, or were ill, etc. I found it frustrating that it was only 8 sessions and people struggled to commit to it, however I know that each one of them wanted to be there to learn and God renewed my strength and enthusiasm each week.



When Liz first began the course, she was aiming it at people who work with children to learn more about trauma informed environments, but it has evolved as the need for understanding and processing personal traumatic experiences was evident. In this last group, half of the participants attended in order to gain personal support and the others participated to help them with their work with children. One participant drew a picture at the beginning of the course that represented some negative thoughts and situations in her life and by the end she was able to see how she had processed those issues and felt more confident and was strengthened by all she had learnt. Another shared how she could now use what she had

learnt to provide better support for the children in her class at school as well as in her community.

We thank you and ask that you continue to pray for:

- the working of the mill, that it will be used effectively and it can be a blessing for the community
- those who have already completed the trauma course, that they will use what they have learnt with those around them and continue to grow in their own personal journeys
- for patience in times when it is especially needed

Today we are living in the time of immediacy, where people live their lives in the desperation of haste. People make wrong decisions and act rashly. As followers of Christ, regenerated by the Holy Spirit, let us reflect in our lives the patience generated by the Spirit in us.

God bless you, Sergio, Liz, Chloe & Joshua



The following statements about the Bible were written by children and have not been retouched or corrected.

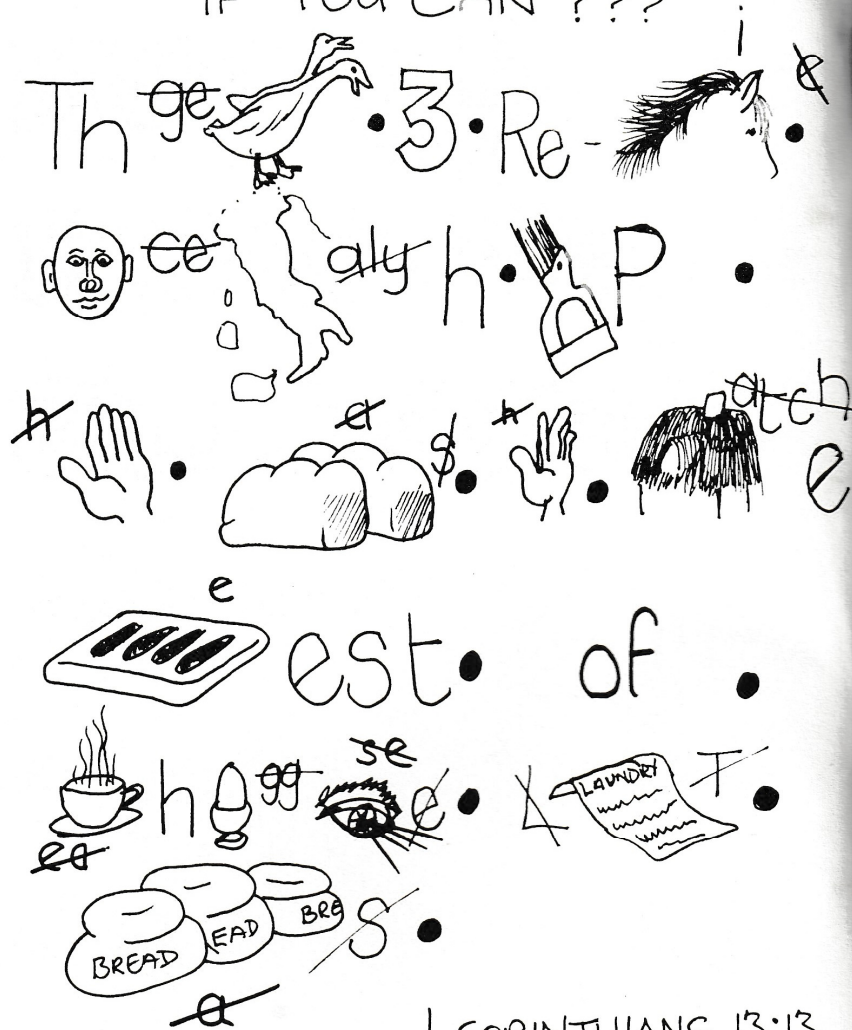
1. The seventh commandment is thou shalt not admit adultery.
2. A Christian should have only one spouse. This is called monotony.
3. Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree.
4. Noah's wife was called Joan of Ark.
5. Lot's wife was a pillar of salt by day, but a ball of fire by night.
6. Moses led the Hebrews to the Red Sea, where they made unleavened bread, which is bread without any ingredients.
7. The first commandment was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple.



NEXT NEWSLETTER for September and October 2022 will be available on line and in print for Sunday August 28th 2022 Email: treasurer@uebc.org.uk before August 15th if you have any articles to be inserted.

work it out.

IF YOU CAN ???



1. CORINTHIANS. 13:13.

Where am I?

- 1) A modern fortress?
- 2) Between 6 & 8 Mighty trees?
- 3) Not an old selling place
- 4) All the colours of the rainbow merge at this safe place?
- 5) Having a soak?

Now 5 Straight Questions.

- 1) In what country was the Queen staying when she learned she was queen?
- 2) What is the only day the Queen carries money?
- 3) How many dogs does the Queen currently have?
- 4) Who was responsible for bringing the now traditional Christmas tree to our country?
- 5) Who succeeded Winston Churchill as Prime Minister in 1955?

Answers: 1) Tree Tops in Kenya 2) Maundy Thursday 3) 44 4) Prince Albert. 5) Anthony Eden.

Answers: 1) Newcastle. 2) Seven Oaks. 3) New Market. 4) Landsend 5) Bath.

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In the next newsletter look out for information about our new group which is being formed shortly following the purchase of our first table tennis table.

Blister Packs - Would you be interested in helping us at church to collect blister packs and then we would take them to Superdrug in Huddersfield where they would be sent for recycling? Email treasurer@uebc.org.uk or drop a note in the church letterbox.

No One Can Do Everything But Everyone Can Do Something.

Exciting Evening of celebration

A capacity crowd gathered on a recent Saturday evening downstairs in the church to wine and dine in honour of our Queen. The walls were bedecked with flags and streamers, and the room was buzzing with excitement as it filled with people of all ages. Friends and families joined together to celebrate the Queen's seventy years on the throne.

A splendid feast, prepared by the monthly lunches team was devoured with joy, games were played, quizzes were won, the general hubbub got louder as the evening went on and a great time was had by all.

Many thanks to all who were involved in any way.

Helen and Colin Kitching

Special thanks to Lorraine *chief organiser*, and family *for their help and support*, and Jane and Ken *for all they did*.



Just what we needed!

Lots going on!

Joyful! Uplifting!

The hall was buzzing!

There was lots going on especially with the video of the Jubilee concert celebrations in London shown on the large screen!

The beef melted in your mouth!



BEFORE 6pm this is what our hall looked liked on Saturday 11th June. See inside for more photos and a short article about this event.

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We can all make a difference!

A man was walking along beside the ocean early one morning after a storm. Thousands of starfish had been washed up on the beach. He saw a boy crouched down in the sand, fixated on something. The boy stood up and flung the object beyond the breaking surf.

The man asked the boy, "Son, what are you doing?" The boy replied, "I'm throwing starfish back into the sea because if I don't, they'll die."

"But there are thousands of starfish, you can't possibly make any difference to them..." The boy looked at him, picked up another starfish and threw it into the sea. "It's going to make a difference to that one!"

Story by Joel Barker, derived from a work by Loren Eiseley

