

UPPER EDGE BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsletter

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In every sacred space

Heart of God:

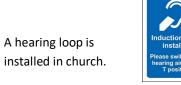
on mountaintops crowned with mist, and in museums filled with wonder;

In tents pitched by singing brooks and in theatres filled with laughing children;

in every
sacred space
and in all
the ordinary neighbourhoods
you are with us,

listening to us,
hearing us,
answering us,
and we do not lose
heart.

Thom Shuman





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Dear All

Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth

1 John 3:18 NIV

Do you ever turn on the TV or catch up with the news and start to inwardly despair? If you do then you are far from being alone. After all, the world can sometimes feel like a dark and lonely place where the only news we hear is of the bad variety; a war here, a famine there, a natural disaster in some far flung part of the world, another financial crisis just over the horizon. Wouldn't it be great if we woke every morning to be told about a wonderful act of kindness someone had done or the definite end to a war? You know, something heart-warming and life giving. Unfortunately we are made to think that this kind of thing will never happen and to even contemplate such things is a folly and actsof delusion.

I would like to suggest that you fully embrace such delusion and, instead of letting the news of the day drag you down, take heed of the passage from 1 John and change your part of the world with the good that you can do and through your action share the love that you have for others.

When We Practise Real Love

¹⁸⁻²⁰ My dear children, let's not just talk about love; let's practise real love. This is the only way we'll know we're living truly, living in God's reality. It's also the way to shut down debilitating self-criticism, even when there is something to it. For God is greater

than our worried hearts and knows more about us than we do ourselves. (1 John 3:18-20 The Message)

The above piece is taken from 'The Message' translation of the same passage from the top of the page. What I love about this version is that it widens the scope and reminds us that to be fully alive we need to not just talk about love but actively practise it in every aspect of our lives. That's not quite as easy as it seems though. I'm sure we all have had those moments where it is much easier to walk away from a difficult situation than it is to stay and offer our love and support. Perhaps those moments where we think that we are not up to the task and that it would be best left for somebody else to sort out or intervene.

However, I believe that one of the growing problems in our world is that we are able to talk ourselves out of helping others. This can be due to multiple reasons: we may think that we are not the right person and that somebody else is better qualified, we may be scared, or we may believe we haven't got the time. With these and other similar arguments we can convince ourselves that we are not the person to intervene, but this is actually the folly in our lives and self-delusion because we are called to love one another, to put others before ourselves and to work together to better our world for everyone.

We are all God's dear children and we are all called to practise real love; this is the truth of the world.

Go into your day knowing you are loved and adored.

God bless

Daryll

AUGUST

Sunday 3rd

10.30am Morning Worship led by Mr Allan Bottomley

Wednesday 7th

10.00am Time To Reflect

Sunday 10th

10.30am Morning Worship including Communion led by Mr Daryll

Hackett and Mrs Mavis Rouse

Wednesday 13th

10.00am Time To Reflect

12.15 for 12.30pm NO Lunch — restarts in September

Saturday 16th

8.30am Men's Breakfast @the Toby Carvery, Ainley Top

Sunday 17th

10.30am Morning Worship led by Mr Daryll Hackett

Wednesday 20th

10.00am Time To Reflect

Sunday 24th

10.30am Morning Worship led by Mrs Janet Lawton

Wednesday 27th

10.00am Time To Reflect

Sunday 31st

10.30am Morning Worship led by Mr Daryll Hackett

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 3rd

10.00am Time To Reflect

Sunday 7th

10.30am Morning Worship led by Mr Daryll Hackett

Names for lunch on the 10th - TODAY please

Monday 8th

7.00pm Deacons' Meeting

Wednesday 10th

10.00am Time To Reflect

12.15 for 12.30pm Lunch

Sunday 14th

10.30am Morning Worship including Communion led by Mr

Daryll Hackett

11.45am – 12.45pm followed by Church Meeting

Wednesday 17th

10.00am Time To Reflect

Saturday 20th

8.30am Men's Breakfast @The Toby Carvery Ainley Top

Sunday 21st

10.30am Morning Worship tba

Wednesday 24th

10.00am Time To Reflect

Sunday 28th

10.30am Morning Worship - led by Mr Daryll Hackettt when Mr

Max Brittan will be performing his one man show of

Mark's Gospel

OCTOBER

Wednesday 1st

10.00am Time To Reflect

Sunday 5th

10.30am Morning Worship led by Mr John Froud

Monday 6th — Friday 10th October

10.00am to 4.00pm

BIBLE TIMES EXHIBITION

FREE ENTRY

See inside back cover for more details

All welcome to come and browse

John Froud in Concert@ Upper Edge Baptist Church Thursday 9th October 2025 7.00pm (doors open 6.30pm)

FREE ENTRY



John Froud is an accomplished singer/ songwriter, speaker, performer, and former teacher, with many years experience to his name. The founder and director of the Zephaniah Trust he has recorded twelve studio albums and performs concert sets to adults as well as praise party material to children.

John has been taking light into dark corners for nearly 30 years, both as a solo artist and as part of the Zephaniah Trust – Christian organisation he founded back in 1994.

I Meant To Do My Work Today

By Richard Le Gallienne

I meant to do my work today—
But a brown bird sang in the apple tree,
And a butterfly flitted across the field,
And all the leaves were calling me.

And the wind went sighing over the land,

Tossing the grasses to and fro,

And a rainbow held out its shining hand—

So what could I do but laugh and go?

This poem is in the public domain

The joy of being distracted by nature and forgetting one's work



Dear Daryll and friends at Upper Edge

Thank you for your generous donation of £430 for the ongoing work of CiCS and 'It's Your Move' books to take into your local school... and thank you for doing so.

We believe that the impact of these books is huge as it goes into homes and is read by families as well as the Y6.

A couple of days ago I had pupils from one of the schools I visit call out to me as I drove past. The girl in my car wondered how they knew me and I mentioned the reasons that I go into the school. The girl took her copy of IYM out of her bag – she still carries it round with her as she enters her last term in Y7 at High School!! She won't possess many books and this is obviously precious to her.

As you know, we are not the only group going into schools and it is encouraging to see chaplains and representatives from specific churches sharing the Christian message. God is certainly working in our borough and it was good to celebrate this with you, Daryll, at our recent Vision Event at Heath URC.

We shall pray for you as you seek openings amongst the young people in your area and look forward to hearing how you are getting on.

Thank you, and God Bless

(Rosemary Wright –administrator and assistant treasurer)





BIRTHDAY GREETINGS in

AUGUST

Christine Lister 2nd Penny Goodman 31st Paul Armitage

Anne Inwood
David Peck

David Peck Lee Church





9th

16th

28th

An Evening Walk along the Canal from Brighouse to Halifax



A big thank you to Simon T for arranging the annual walk along the Brighouse canal ending up with a meal at The Shears, Halifax. There were 10 walkers and 2 who just came for the meal!



The rain just about held off fortunately and we had a great evening. Photographs taken by Charlotte of some of the wildlife spotted on the way.



Thursdays
2.00pm - 4.00pm
In the Church Hall

Every Friday 10.15am - 11.30am In the Church Hall



YOU are invited to come and join us for either or both of these activities — table tennis (£2.50) and line dancing (£5).

First session is FREE

Words to Ponder:

Our quote this edition comes from Johann Wolfgang von Goethe. A poet, playwright, novelist, scientist, statesman, theatre-director and critic, Goethe wrote a wide range of works and is widely regarded as the most influential writer in the German language.

"It is much easier to recognise error than to find truth; the former lies on the surface, this is quite manageable; the latter resides in depth, and this quest is not everyone's business." Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

In the world of today we increasingly find that 'truth' is a contested issue, take any conflict of any scale and you will undoubtably find voices that will try to convince you that their version is the correct one. The concept of nuance and a willingness to accept that we may not always be in the right sometimes appear to be alien theories from a distant time.

It is indeed a sad indictment on humanity that it is much simpler to spot a mistake, especially one made by someone else, than it is to find the truth. There are of course many reasons for this, far too many to cover here. So for simplicity I will offer you three options:

We could start philosophically and ask "what is truth?"

We could take a cynical stance and say "it's only the powerful that decide the right from the wrong"

Alternatively we can look into ourselves and reflect on how we personally decide truth from lies.

Which of these would you find yourself favouring? What is your default setting? I am of the firm belief that if we don't try to understand where our moral compass stems from, then we may always struggle to fathom the workings of the wider world. To find any truth we will always have to dig deep, and to find the source of our own truth we need to consider all the things that make us the person we are: our parents and immediate family, the environment

we grew up in, our education, our social economic status and our social circles – both past and present.

These are alas only our starting point, because as I'm sure we are all aware sometimes when you start digging you keep on finding more and more under the surface. Which is why I imagine Goethe suggests that "... this quest is not everyone's business". Yet, by honestly reflecting on our own lives and understanding why we are the person we are, I believe that we can release something within and start to gain a better understanding of not just ourselves but of others too. The reason we may avoid doing this is because it can sometimes be a painful process, a process in which we have to face up to aspects of our personalities that we might not readily want to admit. If Goethe is correct then all of our errors, mistakes, faux pas and downright lies will be there on the surface, and who amongst us would happily sift through so much detritus just so we can glimpse a new truth?

I would. Would you?

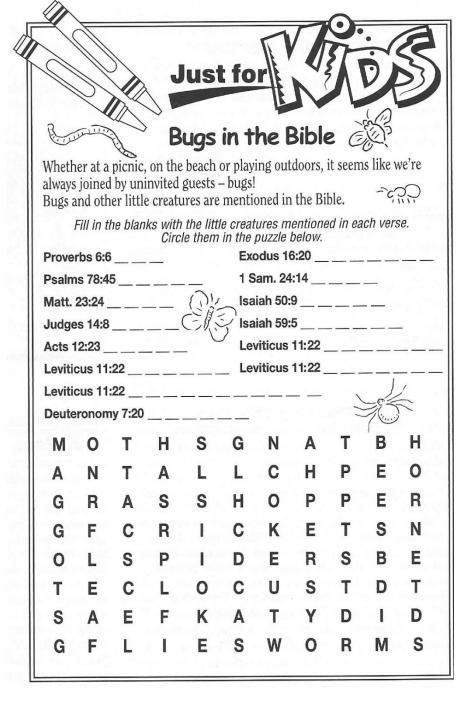
How climate change is threatening chocolate

Chocolate is at risk.

Rising temperatures, extreme weather, and unpredictable rainfall are devastating cocoa crops, leaving farmers struggling to survive.

Prices are soaring, and chocolate's future hangs in the balance.

Without urgent action, this beloved treat may become a luxury. Find out and learn how climate change threatens farmers - and what can be done to protect them.



If you haven't got a bible you can easily search on the Internet

So how many words did you make from **CHALLENGE** Here are some words for you!

9 letter: Challenge (1)

7 letter:

6 letter: Allege Chanel Chance Change Engage Glance (6)

5 letter: Angel Angle Clang Clean Eagle Glean Hedge Hence

Lache Lance Legal Leach Leech (13) There are many others of 3, and 4 letters which are easy to find and not

enough room to record them all here. Wish Congratulations to Dawn and Christine

who found 36 words including the 9 letter one.

> Sometimes words are not enough to make someone feel that you care for them

NEXT puzzle is to find the 9 letter word from the letters in the boxes, as well as, as many 5 or more letter words as you can. All words do not need the letter in the middle square – this time!

С	R	Т
Ε	S	U
Р	-	R

Target: for number of words 12 Good, 16 very Good, 20 Brilliant of 5 or more letters

There are lots of 4 letter words. I wonder how many you can find!

Answers in the next newsletter in September







Upper Edge Baptist Church, Dewsbury Rd, Rastrick HD6 3QB

For Hire

Good size room suitable for a variety of activities for all ages plus kitchen

Disabled access and toilet facilities

Prices from £30 per session

Contact 07814 762952 for more information

The ladies of the church have cast off clothing of every kind they may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.

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Upper Edge Baptist Church

Bible Times Exhibition

Monday October 6th - Friday 10th October

10.00am to 4.00pm each day

You are invited to visit this wonderful display at any point.

FREE ENTRY The exhibition will be held upstairs. There is a chair lift available for any who need to use one.

What's in it?

The exhibition is split into sections, including the development of early writing and the history of the written/printed Bible; the Old and New Testaments and what these share



in common with the Holy Texts of other faiths; the Bible in other languages, including British Sign Language; special Bibles, including soldier's Bibles and Victorian Family Bibles; and how the Bible has inspired those who read it to change the world.

Unlike many exhibitions, we encourage the children to get hands on with the exhibits, dressing up as a Roman soldier or Queen Esther, having a go on the shofar, and holding our heaviest 1844 Victorian Family Bible.

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The Zephaniah Trust roving Bible Times Exhibition contains a whole raft of treasures and is an invaluable RE resource for schools.

We invite you all to call in. It is an AMAZING collection.



27TH SEPTEMBER 2025

UPPER EDGE BAPTIST CHURCH DEWSBURY ROAD HD6 3QD

£9.00 per ticket - pre-book only

Please either text Anne on 07932537140 or email treasurer@uebc.org.uk



Doors open 19:15pm for 19:30pm start

Pie and Pea Supper

Vegetarian and vegan option available
BYO Beer, Wine or Cider or soft drink

ALL Proceeds For Overgate Hospice

Come and join Laurie and his band for an evening of dancing and fun with plenty of laughter