

THE EARNEST PRAYER OF A RIGHTEOUS PERSON HAS GREAT POWER AND PRODUCES WONDERFUL RESULTS – JAMES 5: v16. PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Those of our family and in our church undergoing or recovering from treatment, as well as those dealing with pain, limitations, lifestyle changes due to health issues or other effects of long-term health conditions.
- Our children and youth workers to whom we give thanks for their commitment to guide and teach our children and young people.
- Joyce Miller, who is not well.

LAST DAY FOR PRAYER ENTRIES EACH WEEK IS WEDNESDAY MORNING



UGANDA

Pray for Joe Ovenden, BMS Uganda Programmes Co-ordinator, as he helps local families manage their farms through the agricultural livelihoods programme in Gulu.

SHOEBURYNESS AND THORPE BAY BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. David Mayne has been Lead Pastor since October 2011, Rev. Elizabeth Stoner, and a wider staff team covering areas like Children and Families work, Youth work, and Parish Nursing. STBBC is an active, vibrant community that is engaged in lots of different community-based mission work. They have strong connections in local schools and local businesses. The Parish Nursing work provides a life-giving ministry for the church and the wider community. They have set up a number of Pastoral Networks to help connect people together in particular circumstances. A network for parents/carers of children on the autistic spectrum has been particularly appreciated.

PRAYER MINISTRY

After each morning service, there is a prayer ministry team seated at the front of the sanctuary near the projection screen. They are there to provide support to those who are seeking God's guidance for personal concerns, health issues etc. Please take advantage of this service.

PREACHING AWAY

Rev David Harper at Whepstead Baptist Church, Bury St Edmunds - morning.

Welcome to Colchester Baptist Church



5th MAY 2019

We extend a warm welcome to everyone, especially if you are new here or are visiting. Please complete a welcome card and hand it to a steward or the minister. Please join us for tea and coffee in the hall after the morning service.

TODAY'S SERVICES

- 10:00 am Nepali Church meeting in the Warwick Room.
10:30 am **Family Service:** Rev. Cole Maynard will be leading and preaching. [Theme: 'Souper Man 3'. Reading: Ephesians 5].
1:00 pm Sunday@One: Michael Franklin leading and Peter Dale – preaching.
6:00 pm Prayer Meeting.
6:30 pm **Song Of Praise Service:** Rev. Cole Maynard will be leading and preaching. [Theme: 'Choices!'. Reading: Genesis 13].

TODAY IS A 'FAMILY SERVICE' SO ALL THE CHILDREN WILL BE STAYING WITH US



The flowers today are supplied by Malcolm and Sheila Dyer.

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THIS WEEK AT COLCHESTER BAPTIST CHURCH



Monday 6th May

NO ACTIVITIES – MAY DAY HOLIDAY.

Tuesday 7th May

- 12:00 pm Tuesday@12 (Church Lounge).
- 1:30 pm Racquet Group (Hall).
- 6:45 pm Badminton (Hall). Note time change.
- 7:30 pm Deacons Meeting (Youth Lounge).
- 7:30 pm Open Door – Freedom First Course (Church Lounge – ref Peter Dale)

Wednesday 8th May

- 10:00 am Open Door (Church Lounge).
- 10:00 am New Mums Friendship Group (Warwick Room).
- 10:00 am Parents & Toddlers – Play & Sing (Hall & Vestibule).
- 10:00 am ASK Friendship Group (Youth Lounge).
- 1:30 pm Arts & Crafts (Hall).
- 6:15 pm Beavers, Cubs & Sea Scouts (Hall, Carey/Spurgeon Rooms & Youth Lounge).

Thursday 9th May

- 8:00 pm Bible Study (Church Lounge) and House groups.

Friday 10th May

- 10:00 am Open Door (Church Lounge).
- 10:00 am Parents & Toddlers – Stay & Play (Spurgeon Room).
- 6:30 pm REMIX (Hall, Church/Youth Lounges, Warwick/Spurgeon/Carey Rooms & Vestibule).
- 10:00 pm Street Pastors (Church Lounge).

Saturday 11th May

- 10:00 pm Street Pastors (Church Lounge).

Sunday 12th May

- 10:00 am Nepali Church.
- 10:30 am **Morning Service:** Rev. Terry Tennens will be leading and preaching. This service will include Holy Communion conducted by Rev. Cole Maynard.
- 1:00 pm Sunday@One: Peter Dale – leading. Nathan Blackaby (CVM) – preaching.
- 6:30 pm **Evening Service:** Rev. Rod Sawtell will be leading and preaching.
- 8:00 pm After Hours (ages 14-19) (Youth Lounge).

COMING SOON & NOTICES

SPECIAL NOTICE – CHURCH MEETING

Please note that after the Church Service on Sunday 19th May there will be a light lunch at 12:30pm in the Hall followed by the monthly Church Meeting. As we need to know who will be attending the lunch and meeting, please add your names to the signup sheet located on the notice board in the vestibule. We will also need to know the number of children attending so supervision can be arranged whilst the meeting is taking place. Please add to the signup sheet their names.

FAMILY FARM FUN DAY / HOG ROAST & BARN DANCE

Tickets are now available. Please contact Clare Crayston, Jane Chapman or Paul Clover (Church Office) to purchase. See May Focus page 21 for ticket prices.

SIZEWELL

If you attended the recent Sizewell event there is a video posted on the Church website for you to view. Thanks to Simon Heard for his production. Also posted are copies of the talks given by Rev. Andy Scarcliffe. Visit the website on www.colchesterbaptistchurch.org.uk

CHURCH FACEBOOK

The Facebook team would welcome any good quality pictures taken at church events to add to the Facebook page and increase our social media presence. The page is a great tool for reaching people who might not otherwise know about our church and we want to show off what we do! Please send any pictures to Abbey Narhkom at: online@colchesterbaptistchurch.org.uk with a description of the event.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES & FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- * Wednesday 8th May – **FOCUS DEADLINE FOR JUNE EDITION.**
- * Thursday 16th May at 11:45am – **FUNERAL OF MARGARET GRIFFITHS** at Colchester Crematorium.
- * Sunday 19th May – CHURCH MEETING after the 10:30am Church Service. See notice above.
- * Saturday 8th June (Afternoon and evening) – **FAMILY FARM FUN DAY / HOG ROAST & BARN DANCE** – More details to follow. (See also May Focus – page 21).
- * Friday 19th July – **OPEN MIC NIGHTS** at Kingsland Church, 86 London Road, Lexden CO3 9DW – See Notice Board.