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- Pray for the Government and specifically the Brexit talks. Pray for wisdom of all those involved in the decision-making process.
- Pray for those who are students and are revising or beginning to take exams in the coming weeks and Months.
- This Month, pray for Martyn, Victoria, Hannah & Ruth Chapple and Abi and for Llewellyn Pellew.
- Please continue to pray for those who are unwell or undergoing treatment or recovering. Especially for James Mee. Continue to keep Marie Havron and Elaine Luff in your prayers.
- Pray for those who serve the wider Church in and around Morpeth. Those in Church leadership and also those who serve as chaplains in the local hospitals and schools.

It would be fantastic if you have any words of encouragement, poems or images that would help build up our community. Please send content to me by the 25th of the Month for inclusion in the next newsletter.

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MORPETH BAPTIST CHURCH

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Sundays

Our morning service starts at 10.30 am, followed by Tea, coffee and fellowship, meeting at Abbeyfields First School, Morpeth.

Most Sunday evenings there is a prayer meeting, 7 pm @ John & Kathleen Carrick's home, 10 Whiteacres, Morpeth

Sunday 3rd March

10.30am Callum Barr will be preaching. Sarah Watson will lead the service.

Sunday 10th March

10.30am Prayer and Praise. Maureen Watson will lead the service.

Sunday 17th March

10.30am Martin Luff will be preaching. Sergio Mendes will be leading.

Sunday 24th March

10.30am John Cooper will be preaching. Claire Cooper will be leading.

Sunday 31st March

10.30am There will be a message from Steve Sutton. John Cooper will lead the service

Looking Ahead

Crafternoon: Saturday 9th March 1-3.30pm @ Storey Park Community Centre.

Special Church Meeting: Sunday 10th March 2019 11.30am, straight after the service @ Abbeyfields School. This meeting will consider whether to call John Cooper to be Minister/Pastor of MBC from September 2019.

Annual Church Meeting:

Tuesday 19th March 2019 7.30pm @ Abbeyfields School. Please let John Watson have any reports on Church activities ASAP. (1/2 A4 page max please).

Bring & Share Lunch: After the service on the 24th of March.

Christian Aid Spring Evening:

Saturday 30th March 7.30pm @ Morpeth Methodist Church Hall. Tickets are priced at £7 and can be obtained from Maureen Chapple.

Pie, Pea & Quiz Night: In aid of Bethan Cooper's M10 fundraising. Late March or Early April - More details to follow.



I love my drive to work in the morning. I drive along the coast from Blyth to Whitley Bay and over the last few weeks my drive has coincided with the sunrise, and there have been some stunning ones over the last few weeks. It's a reminder to me about how wonderful Creator God is and how each day is a new gift to each of us and that we should look for the opportunity to share God's love with others whenever we can.
Claire

In our Sunday services, during the run-up to Easter, we will be continuing to hear from the gospel of John. After Easter, there will be a sermon series on the Baptist Declaration of Principle, where we will look at what makes us distinctively Baptist. Later in the year, we will be looking at 'Directions'.

On Palm Sunday we will be having a dramatic reading and John is looking for those who are willing to act/ read parts. See John Cooper if you are interested.

This term is very busy for John and it's a long one too! There are a lot of assignments and essays to be in. John also has a Leadership days in Leeds on the 9th March.

Bethan's off to Mexico

In August 2019 I will be volunteering in Mexico with the M10 organisation to help those living in extreme poverty. I will be joining a group of other teenagers in building homes, serving in orphanages and helping out with feeding programmes for those who live on refuse sites and sharing my life experiences with teenagers in rehab centres as we partner with Youth With A Mission.

I need to raise £2000 before the end of April 2019 to cover the cost of flights, accommodation, food, visas as well as the building materials for the home that we will help build and other materials and furniture. So your donation will not only help me get to Mexico, but it will also help those who we will be working with.

If you would like to find out more about the trip you can do so on <https://www.m10.org.uk/> You can donate by Cash or PayPal (see Claire Cooper)

Fundraising update:

Thank you to everyone who has made donations recently. My current fundraising total stands at £1400, just another £600 to go, we're off to a great start. Thank you to everyone who came along to the Breakfast on the 17th of March, you all helped me raise about £300. My next event will be a pie and Pea supper with a quiz and raffle/ auction towards the End of March or early April. more details to follow.

Thank you
Bethan

