

## SHOWSTOPPERS HOLIDAY CLUB

Thank you to everyone who helped and supported the *Showstoppers!* Holiday Club in any way - through prayers, donations or helping. A wonderful time was had by all.

Thank you also for all the donations of socks etc for Guatemala City. We shall be sending two parcels - one for one of the girls' homes where a friend of Jo and Matt is on placement at the moment, and the second for the street team. They will be so pleased that you are thinking of them.

*Miriam*

### THIS MONTH:

**August 2009** is available on a lilac sheet. Items for the September monthly sheet should be submitted by Thursday 27 August.

If you have items for the weekly notices, please submit them to the church office by 11.00 am on Thursday.

***In the unlikely event of a fire, the fire alarm will sound. Please follow a Fire Marshall leaving by the nearest fire exit. Assembly point: lower car park.***

### Church office hours:

Tuesday-Friday 9.30 am - 12.30 pm

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## WELCOME TO

### RIDGEWAY METHODIST CHURCH

If you would like to help us get to know you, please complete the following information.

Title (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Other) .....

CHRISTIAN NAME .....

SURNAME .....

POSTAL ADDRESS .....

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POSTCODE .....

TELEPHONE NUMBER .....

E-MAIL .....

### THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS HELPFUL

ARE YOU OFTEN HOME DURING THE DAYTIME?

YES / NO (*please delete*)

..... I have just moved to the area.

..... I am interested in joining the church.

..... I would like to know more about Gift Aid

..... I would like the minister to call

..... I would like information about

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*(please tick as appropriate).*

Please put in the office post box in the church entrance or pass to a steward. Personal information given on this form may be stored on computer.

If you are on holiday please take our greetings to your home church.

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Welcome to

Ridgeway  
Methodist Church

**23 August 2009**

**10.30 am**

**Revd John Haley**

Please join us for coffee/tea  
after the morning service

**7.00 pm**

**Mr Colston Swift**  
(Lay Worker based at Yealmpton)

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## PRAYER FOR TODAY

Lord Jesus Christ, move within us and draw us closer to you - so that the newness of this day may be echoed in newness of life springing fresh within us every day, now and always.

This Week's Bible Verse



Amen.

O LORD Almighty, my King and my God. Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you.

(Psalm 84: 3b-4)

## THIS MORNING'S ORDER OF SERVICE

*Hymns and songs are projected. If you would like a copy of Hymns & Psalms (HP) and Songs of Fellowship (SF) please ask a door steward for the books and refer to the list below.*

HP 497 How pleased and blest was I

HP 878 Psalm 122

HP 485 Blessèd city heavenly Salem

SF 549 The steadfast love of the Lord

SF 440 One thing I ask

SF 1030 The Lord's my Shepherd

HP 784 Thy hand, O God, has guided

HP 244 Sing we the King who is coming to reign

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## METHODIST PRAYER HANDBOOK

The 2009-2010 edition entitled "Each Returning Day" will be available during August at a cost of £3.00 per copy; this little book of prayer is a very helpful tool to use day by day throughout the year - £3.00 well spent! If you would like to acquire a copy of this book, please speak to Revd John Haley, Beth Saunders or one of the stewards.

## THIS WEEK'S DIARY

*Many of our regular groups have finished for the summer and will begin meeting again in September - more information will be available in the coming weeks.*

### Saturday 29 August:

10.00 am - 12.00 pm Oasis Coffee Bar:  
Guatemala (Jo and Matt)

### Sunday 30 August:

10.30 am Mrs Brenda Youngs  
7.00 pm Revd John Haley

## PASTORAL CARE

A programme of events for 2009-2010 organised by the Guy Chester Centre, for quiet days, retreats, courses, workshops etc, is displayed on the notice board. If anyone would like to attend one of these, please speak to Sue Couch.

## PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Recently we have purchased a floor cleaning machine that can be used to polish the hall floor and also clean/buff floors in other areas such as the kitchen and downstairs rooms. We would like to use the machine on a regular basis and need a team of people to go on a rota to assist with this work (approx 30 - 45 minutes per month). Training will be provided. If you are able to be part of the 'buffing team', please speak to Simon or John Buttle.

## THANK YOU

I can't believe I am 100 years old, I have been so blessed over the years. Thank you to everyone for the lovely basket of flowers and card. Ridgeway is my home church - I started going there when I was 14 years old.

*With love, Myra Harris.*

## REOPENING FESTIVAL

Elburton Church is having a "Reopening festival" starting on Sunday 6 September. Further details are available on the notice board, and there are some fliers on the table in the foyer.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Revd John Haley and Mr Colston Swift who are leading our services today; Revd Nathan Fisher and his family, Linda Prynne's aunt and family, Gordon Adams, Phyllis Peard, Timothy, Jean Wright, Ron Horswell.

## PRAYER DIARY

Requests for prayer are included in the prayer diary for three weeks. After the third week you can renew these requests if you have updated information. Please inform a steward of your request. Prayer cards are also available for use or to be given to family or friends who might wish to send in requests.

## BOOK STALL

Please take a look at the books if you have not yet done so. If there is a particular Christian book or CD that you would like, we can order it for you. We also supply Bible reading notes from Scripture Union and CWR.

## BREAKING WAVES

Sounds of Glory is being held on Saturday 29 August 2009 on the Promenade Plymouth Hoe from 11.00 am to 3.30 pm. The event is being organised by Pastor Osee of All Nations Ministries and will feature an African Gospel Choir, drumming and traditional dance. Over the coming week please pray that Jesus will be glorified and proclaimed to many people through all that is to take place. Please try to attend, admission is free.

## A WEEKEND TO MARK IN YOUR DIARY: 26-27 SEPTEMBER

Our harvest weekend coincides with the national *Back to Church Sunday* campaign and the local mission group has planned the following events: Saturday 26 (morning) Oasis Coffee Bar; Sunday 27 (morning) all-age service followed by lunch and a fuller presentation by Gary Cox. Further details nearer the time - but please book these dates now! A great opportunity to invite others to share the celebration and fellowship, and share our blessings with people in great poverty and need.

*Carol Sharman*