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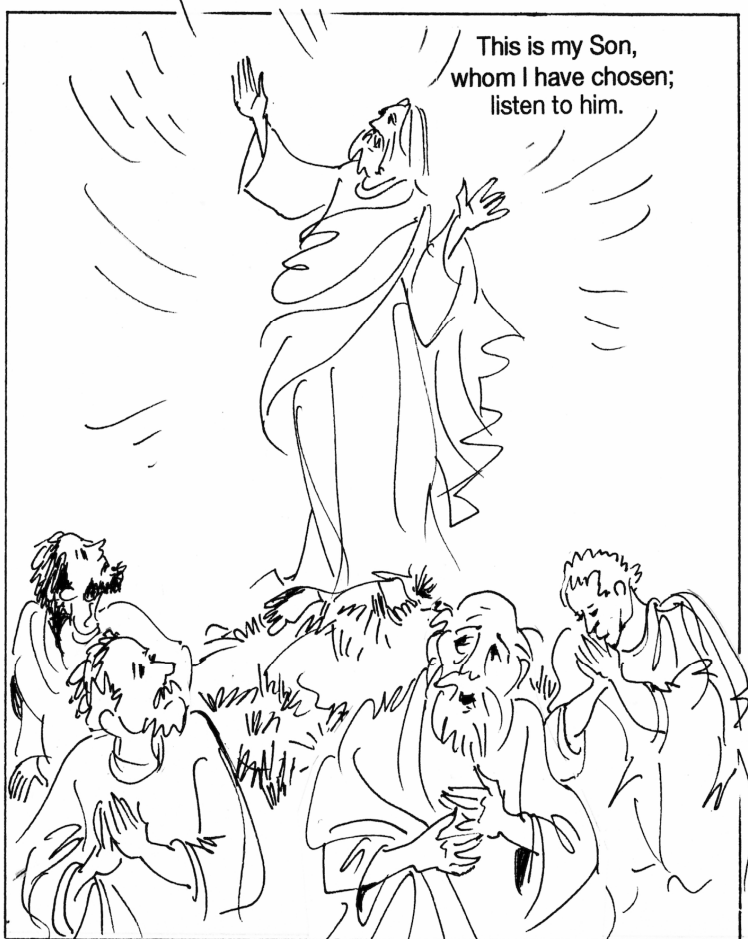
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### **SERVICES DURING JULY**

1st	10.30	Revd Gillian Slaymaker	Family Holy Communion
8th	10.30	Jean Hooper	
15th	10.30	Rev Malcolm Groom	Sunday 3 All Age Worship
22nd	10.30	Alex Jameson	
29th	10.30	Penny Thorne	
	18.00	Revd Malcolm Groom	Holy Communion Iona Style

### **SERVICES DURING AUGUST**

5th	10.30	Revd Malcolm Groom	Holy Communion
12th	10.30	Fareham Team	
19th	10.30	Milly Aquilina-Gray	
	15.00	Rev Malcolm Groom	Summer Service & Tea
26th	10.30	Rev Malcolm Groom	
	18.00	Rev Malcolm Groom	Holy Communion Iona Style

### **SERVICES DURING SEPTEMBER**

2nd	10.30	Rev Malcolm Groom	Holy Communion	Covenant Service
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### **LOCAL PREACHERS' & TEAM APPOINTMENTS**

1st July	Andrew Wilcock at Gosport
15th July	Fareham Team at Portchester
22nd July	Andrew Wilcock at Lee on Solent
5th Aug	Andrew Wilcock at Portchester
19th Aug	Andrew Wilcock at Stubbington

Please remember the preachers above in your prayers, as they prepare and conduct their services in our Church and in the Circuit.

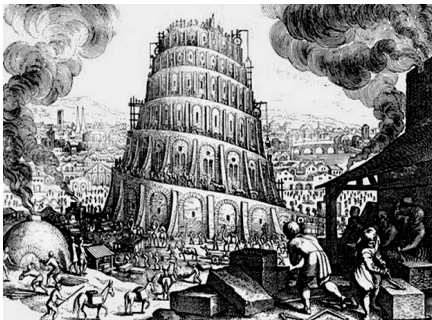
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Dear Friends,

"What a Summer!" ... "Why don't we get summers like we used to when I was a little girl!" ... "June, officially the wettest since records began" ... "floods and devastation everywhere!" ..... these are some of the comments I've heard recently and I have to say I've made similar ones myself. - So what has happened with our world and why should we be so concerned about it?

Since the beginning of time (human time that is) man has been seeking to survive in what may have seemed at times as a very hostile world. To protect ourselves we have built shelters from the elements and boundaries around our territory. We have made weapons with which to "defend" ourselves and machines to make work easier. We have developed medical science to the extent of expecting a cure from any ailment from which we suffer. "Accidents" are analysed and legislation put in place to protect. We constantly strive to gain total control over our environment so that we are safe. - We want to be in control - We want to be God.

There's a fascinating Old Testament story (Genesis 11:1-9) which has some similarities. God's people came together on the plain of Shinar. Speaking one language they said *"let us build a city to protect us and keep us together and a tall tower to reach up to heaven so that we may be equal to God."*



They started work and God became concerned that they might actually achieve this. So he confused their language so that they couldn't speak to each other. Because they couldn't communicate with each other they stopped the building and God scattered them across the whole world.

In our modern efforts to seek control and "play God", it's good to be reminded from time to time that we really are not in control and that only God is.

## VESTRY JOTTINGS

Thank you to Sheila Dyer, who has volunteered to *co-ordinate* the Harvest displays at the front of the Church and on the window sills. This year the Harvest service on 30 September, which is also “Back to Church Sunday”, will be followed by lunch for all those wishing to attend. This will be instead of the usual Sunday lunch on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month. (There will be NO lunch on 16 September). There will be a list in the Welcome area to sign up for Harvest lunch, nearer the time.

Four Church members have said they would be prepared to help out with Sunday morning Steward Duties if ever we find that we need cover. Thank you to them – we now know who we can call on if help is needed.

On occasions Stewards are asked by a local preacher for assistance with preparation for some of the material for their service to be displayed on the screen. We are keen to hear from anyone who is able and prepared to occasionally help Local Preachers with computer based preparation. If you think this is something that you could do, please speak to one of the Stewards

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### Ride & Stride



This takes place on 8 September between 10am and 6pm. Anyone can take part by bicycle, or on foot, to raise money for the region's historic churches and chapels of all denominations. Participants seek sponsorship to visit as many churches on the yearly list as they wish. They plan their own route and set their own speed.

We have been asked to open the church for this event. We need volunteers to man the welcome area throughout the day to welcome participants who have chosen to include this church in their route and to serve them refreshment if required. We should be very grateful to anyone who can help out with this for an hour or two during the day. Two people are required at any one time. There is a Rota in the Welcome area to put your name on if you are able to assist.



The Stewards

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## THANK YOU

Thank you for the flowers delivered by Liz Haig, it was a lovely surprise

Edith Livingstone



Thank you for the Church flowers kindly delivered to me by Mary Bailey.  
Brightened my day

Eileen Long

Thank you very much for the lovely flowers, Jubilee colours, for my birthday. They lasted quite a long time.

Margaret Fielder

Many thanks for the cards and good wishes. I will be back soon with my zimmer frame. God Bless you all.

Lynda Thomas

I would like to say thank you for the lovely flowers given to me by Mary on the anniversary of Robin's death. It meant so much to be remembered at this time.

Pat Croker

Thank you for the flowers that you sent home for me from Church last Sunday. They are very pretty and much appreciated.

Elizabeth Wilcock

The Jubilee Sunday lunch gave us all the opportunity to celebrate in fine style. The tables echoed the theme, the food was excellent. We did "let our hair down" finally with squeakers and flags; but rest assured, we sobered up for the National Anthem. We had a wonderful time and offer grateful thanks to Jill and the team

Una & Scott Peters

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## FAMILY NEWS

We are asked to pray for Elizabeth and Andrew Wilcock's daughter, Patricia Mann who was Priested in Portsmouth Cathedral on Saturday, 30th June at 6.00 pm It was an open service. People were welcome to attend and join in the worship with the family.

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## **PLEASE NOTE!**

Karen Ferguson has a new e-mail address: [ktsaroberts@btinternet.com](mailto:ktsaroberts@btinternet.com)

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## **UKRAINE VISIT 2012**

Thank you so much, yet again, for all the items and donations for the Ukraine Mission. I know they will be put to good use. I fly out on 3<sup>rd</sup> August so will give you all the news on my return.

Jill Groom

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## **MACMILLAN**

Our friend Martin Pond had a coffee morning at 16 Crawford Drive to raise funds for the Macmillan cancer research in memory of his wife Lesley. We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all who supported this event. The cakes sold at the Church raised £8 which contributed to a total of £600.

Margaret Boyd & Edith Livingstone  
K.F.C. Summer Craft club

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## **FAITH THROUGH THE GENERATIONS AND ACROSS THE SEAS**

Although an Anglican for nearly 50 years, if you scratch me you quickly you will find a Methodist underneath. My Methodist heritage is still very strong. (Methodists, Congregationalists and some Presbyterians amalgamated in the 1960s to form the Uniting Church of Australia.)

My mother was born Dulcie Elizabeth Draper, daughter of another Daniel James Draper, (DJD2). (He was Fareham's Daniel James Draper's great grandson.) She was an only child. My father was Ralph Chelmsford Davis and as a young man was mentored by DJD2 in the local Methodist Church at Were Street, Brighton in Victoria, Australia. This was the Church in which they were married and I grew up.

DJD2 was a truck driver, and a local preacher. He lived with our family for several years after his wife died until his death. My mother was a woman of her time; a wonderful home maker, cook and housekeeper, running an "open" home, where many came and went receiving gracious hospitality. My father was managing director of a large, international and growing transport company, as well as heavily committed to many interdenominational Christian and mission organizations. Our home was port of call for those from diverse places: from the jungles of Borneo to the prefectures of

Japan, from American millionaires to missionaries from all over the world. As a small child I was told of DJD1, of his church building in the Victorian goldfields, and in Adelaide, South Australia. His drowning death on the SS LONDON became part of our story. The generations in between were seldom mentioned. Mark Brooks research sheds some light on why.

Recently my sister found a little Methodist chapel near her home. DJD1 had been the minister there. This sparked my interest, so I decided that, since we were planning to come to the UK, I would look for some of the UK story of DJD1. We found Mark Brooks, or did Mark find us, through a phone call to Malcolm Groom. What a joy it was, when on June 14th, we came to the Fareham Methodist Church to meet Mark Brooks, researcher extraordinaire. He knows so much about my great great great grandfather Rev Daniel James Draper! We have yet to explore all the data that Mark has assembled Russell and I chuckle about our family histories. While DJD1 was building Methodist churches in and around Bendigo in the Victorian goldfields and preaching about the grace of God and the evils of drink, Russell's forebears were brewing and selling beer. It's taken a few generations to resolve those activities.

After my mother died, my father worshipped with us at our Anglican Church. On his death twenty years ago we found this little message amongst his papers " **I want it known that I died a Methodist on missionary service to the Anglican Church.**" So the work of DJD1 lives on in the lives of his descendants and their families, pointing to a God of grace and love, and serving in our local faith communities.

Elizabeth Grace Conway ( née Davis). B.5/9/1941

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## WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP

18th July    An afternoon with Jill & Malcolm Race at their home  
4 Poyner Close, Fareham, where you will be warmly  
welcomed at 2.30 pm

Shirley Henderson

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## PRAYER GROUP

The next Healing group is on Wednesday, 5th September  
at 7.30 pm at the home of Joan and Jeff Padley at 2 Archery  
Lane, Fareham. Please come and join us



Rita Jackson

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## COFFEE CENTRE

The Coffee Centre will be **CLOSED** on August 2nd and August 9th for the Summer break.



Jill Race

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## REQUEST FROM THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE

The Out-Reach Committee are holding a Summer tea and service on Sunday, 19th August at 3.00 pm in Church. The afternoon is open to residents of Rest Homes - Sheltered Housing Schemes - Friends of the Mini Market and Coffee Morning together with our own members.

We will be putting up a list in the Welcome Area mid July, to ask for helpers, and drivers. We will also be very grateful for "Cake and scone" bakers Who can provide some refreshments for the tea.

Thank you in advance for any help you can give.

Lynda Young F 234205

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## KIM AND MARC'S WEDDING



We would be very pleased for any members of the Church family who wish to join us in celebrating the marriage of our daughter Kim to Marc Woodall. The service will take place at Fareham Methodist Church on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August at 1.30pm.

Kevin and Linda Foster

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## ANOTHER GRANDCHILD

Ruth and Antony Hollinghurst are proud grandparents again celebrating the birth of their third grandchild, Isabella Grace, born to David and Tara. Mum and daughter are doing well with Isabella weighing in at 6lb 14 oz.



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## COMMUNION AND THE HOUSEBOUND

Since Malcolm joined us in Fareham a few years ago, he has introduced a number of new initiatives, perhaps one of the most important, being the Reserved Communion, which enables those who are housebound to remain in spiritual touch with those who attend the main monthly Communion Service at Kings Road.



The Reserved Communion of bread and wine is seen as an integral part of the Fareham Service, including the same elements of bread and wine, as shared in the main service conducted by the Minister, who is assisted by the Lay Steward.

It is believed that for some members of the congregation a Service of Communion which is not conducted by the Ordained Minister either in the Church or at Home lacks a certain validity. Many of us have grown up and continue to live with the expectation that the Ordained Minister is the fit and proper person to conduct such an important Service.

I have little doubt that most Ministers, if faced with a choice between the many demands made on their time and the taking of a Communion Service in a Member's Home would choose the second but life is not quite as helpful as that.

The Methodist Church recognises that certain members of a Congregation, who have undergone training, may well be suited to sharing the Reserved Communion with a Church member, who is no longer capable of coming to Church. Not only can the one-to-one relationship be enhanced but a spiritual reality can be experienced in the sharing process.

However unwelcome, illness and dependency wait for many of us as we reach the later years of life and the contribution of a caring Church fellowship can make a huge difference to how well we cope with the challenges that life brings. The Reserved Communion, can well be an important part of the total caring process.

If you feel that you would like to pursue these ideas either now or in the future, why not have a word with your Pastoral Visitor?

Graham Dyer

## **SHARING SPACE**

East Fareham Housegroup are continuing to make plans for this venture on Sunday afternoons, starting on 7<sup>th</sup> October. At present we are completing our forms for CRB checks, and designing a flier.

We are well aware that we cannot provide this service without the support of others, and were encouraged by those who volunteered recently. If you feel you may be able to give one Sunday afternoon a month please speak to Eric Wheeler

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## **NEW PRAYER HANDBOOK**

The new Prayer Handbook will be available next month, entitled Crossing the Chasm. I have reduced the number I have ordered in previous years because some of the challenging prayers are now available daily via app. But if like me you do not have this facility I hope you will continue to value the handbook.

If you would like to reserve a copy please fill in the list in the welcome area.  
Joan Padley.

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## **DID YOU MISS CHURCH ON SUNDAY?**

For many of the congregation Sunday morning Service is to be treasured and if on occasions we allow other activities to get in the way, there is often a strange feeling that somehow the following week is incomplete because it did not begin in Church.

In some cases we cannot get to Church because of illness or increasing frailty and one week's absence easily become four or more weeks. It is easy to feel cut off from Church friends, however attentive they may try to be. It is for those reasons that the weekly Sunday morning service is on C D, and is available for helping housebound folks to keep in touch with the worship on a regular basis.

We are very anxious to ensure that the recorded tapes are used to full advantage. Pastoral Visitors may be able to give real help in these cases, especially on such matters as delivering the discs, which do not have to be returned to Church and providing help to 'work the machine', which is usually quite straightforward. If there is not a disc player then this can be discussed.

Hopefully we can soon increase the demand for 'Service on CD, and help our 'Friends' to keep in touch. I look forward to hearing from anyone who may be interested.

Graham Dyer

## MESSY CHURCH

Getting Messy Church off the ground and running was always going to be an Act of Faith. We started with enthusiasm, but limited knowledge. Inspired by visiting and experiencing Messy Church in a Church which had been running one for some years, - last February we opened our Church doors to any who wished to come.



Personally, I was surprised by just how many attended that first meeting, and how well it progressed. Oh, 'Ye of little Faith'. We have subsequently met on the second Wednesday of each month, from 4.00 to 6.00 pm. Attendance rates have increased and have been maintained. The majority of those attending probably have little experience of, or allegiance to any Church.

Margaret and I have for the last three meetings undertaken the role of providing the initial welcome when the children and their parents arrive. You cannot be moved by the expectation and enthusiasm they generate upon entering Church.

Each session has a 'theme' on which craft-work and other activities, plus worship, and a shared meal is based. Thanks to the inventiveness, skill and Enthusiasm of the Messy Church team. We all share in a rewarding time of fun and fellowship together. The Messy Church team meet up on the Thursday, following our meetings. We review how the session the day before went, and then plan next months Messy Church. It is to the credit of the Messy Church team, their enthusiasm and their commitment, that these arrangements are made so easily.

Please remember the work with all our young people and Messy Church in your prayers. So feel welcome to come along and experience Messy Church for yourselves.

Bob Temple

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## K.F.C. SUMMER CRAFT CLUB

During August we are creating with cardboard, paper and clay on Tuesday's and on Wednesday's we are playing with material dyeing, printing and batik.

If anyone would like to help and get involved this summer, I am having a fun evening with my helpers working with materials. This will be on Wednesday 18th July 7.00 till 9.00pm. Please give me a call if you would like to come.

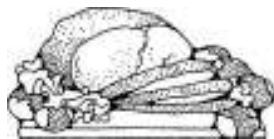
Edith Livingstone

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## SUNDAY LUNCH 15TH JULY AT 12.15 PM approx

This is open to all members of the congregation and all family and friends. There is no set charge for the meal we just ask for donations for MHA. If you would like to make a pudding of your choice and bring it along that would be very good – thank you.

### The Menu



**Starter:** Soup or Pate

**Main Course:** Baked Gammon with Parsley  
or Cheese Sauce, chipolatas,  
Roast Potatoes, , Vegetables

**Puddings:** Variety

There will be a list in the vestibule for you to sign. Please come along and enjoy a Sunday Roast!

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### **METHODIST APP REBORN: Now Available Free For All Devices**

A brand new app from the Methodist Church in Britain is now available on all mobile devices. The app offers users a daily Bible study, as well as all the latest news, audio and video from the Church.

Features include: daily Bible studies, featuring a different author each week; the latest news stories; topical podcasts; resources for Christian discipleship; information about the latest campaigns and the Church's involvement in the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

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### **SPRING QUIZ**

Thank you to those who took part in this quiz. I was able to send £52.00 to Water Aid as a result. Those who returned the quiz did very well, and there was a tie between two people who each got just one answer wrong.

The lucky winner drawn from "the hat" was Mrs. Pat Pickering, with the other potential winner being Mrs. Sheila Salisbury a member of Ladies Night.

Mary Bailey.

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## SEND YOUR HOLY SPIRIT TO LIGHT UP OUR LIVES

Two new prayers, at [www.olympics.churchofengland.org](http://www.olympics.churchofengland.org), are 'accompanying' the Torch Relay on its tour of England. They are being used by many of the CofE's 16,000 churches as the Torch makes its 70-day tour of the nation, travelling within an hour of 95 per cent of people in the UK, Isle of Man, Guernsey and Jersey.

### Torch Relay Prayers

Loving God,  
as this torch travels our nation,  
preparing us to celebrate the skill and determination of  
those competing in the Olympic and Paralympic Games,  
strengthen us to love you and serve our neighbour  
with all the skill and determination you give us,  
through Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

As this light travels our nation,  
may your light, O God, shine in the hearts of all  
who gather to celebrate the energy, skill and dedication of others.  
Send your Holy Spirit to light up our lives  
and set our hearts on fire with love for you;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The prayers are available alongside a free .pdf download of liturgical resources for use during the 2012 Games, containing suggested Bible readings, prayers, collects and litanies.

Parish Pump

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### SMILE LINES

A Sunday School teacher decided to have her young class memorise one of the most quoted passages in the Bible - Psalm 23. She gave the youngsters a month to memorise the short Psalm. Little Richard was excited about the task - but he just couldn't memorise things very well.

The day came to recite the Psalm and Richard was very nervous, When his turn came he stepped up to the microphone and said proudly , "The Lord is my Shepherd and ... that's all I need to know".

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## CORONATION DAY 1953



June 2<sup>nd</sup> 1953 saw the Coronation of Elizabeth II.

My father had been able to buy two seats in The Mall (£4 each: when a girl at school heard she gasped and said “NOTHING is worth paying that much to see!!” What would the present-day equivalent be? £200?) My mother insisted he went, taking me. She would watch the day on the brand-new contraption bought by her friend across the road Mrs Smith – a television set!

We had to be up in the middle of the night to catch a train at about 5 am; everyone had to be in their seats before the roads were closed. Two men came along the corridor and opened our carriage door and told us that news had just arrived that Mt Everest had been conquered for the first time. It seemed there couldn't have been a more appropriate day for the news to reach us!

Our seats were on a stand near Admiralty Arch, near the statue which faces that of Cpt Cook. Thousands of people were on the pavements where they had spent the night. In front of them, servicemen lined the route, standing motionless to attention for hours on end, in pouring rain for most of the day. Some people near Cpt Cook's statue got drenched when his three-cornered hat filled up and overflowed!

Although it was a very long, wet day, there was plenty going on to watch all the time. Many Coronation knick-knacks were available, and Dad had bought two collapsible red, white and blue beakers. Each section was like a different coloured napkin ring, and it folded away like a nest of tables. The only trouble was, you had to remember to hold it by the top part, or it would collapse into itself with the drink in it!!

The Mall was a splendid place to be because you saw two processions, beginning with the shorter one to Westminster Abbey. I remember seeing the Queen and Prince Philip waving to the crowd, and other members of the Royal Family in carriages behind them. The service was relayed over loudspeakers. We all had to stand at one point, and it was, of course, pelting with rain. I think this was at the point where the Queen was anointed. I also remember this was when I heard Handel's Coronation anthem “Zadok the Priest” for the first time, and was knocked out by it.

The highlight of the afternoon was the procession returning to Buckingham Palace. and Queen Salote of Tonga,

a very large lady, insisted on riding with her carriage uncovered in spite of the rain, waving excitedly to the crowd, who cheered her delightedly. It is said that there was a small man in the carriage with her, and that someone asked Noel Coward, "Who's that, Noel?" "Her lunch," came the reply.



The golden Coronation coach came past again. This time the Queen wasn't waving; she was sitting very still, wearing the heavy crown and holding the orb and sceptre. You could just about see her in the shadowy interior.

This was a truly wonderful day, which no one present would ever forget. A film was made and shown in cinemas, so people like us eventually got to see all the bits we'd missed, which, of course, those at home with TV had been able to see happening live – very fortunately, as there had been controversy behind the scenes about the whole idea of televising such an occasion.

Judith Brammall

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## **A DAY TO REMEMBER - THURSDAY, 14 JUNE 2012**

Many of you are aware that I have a very slight affection for the game of cricket...

What most of you are unlikely to know is that as a consequence of being an A\* grade umpire of many years standing in the Southern Premier Cricket League, and following a request to the South Coast Panel of Cricket Officials from the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) team management, I was honoured to be selected to stand in an authentic 'on field' practice. This was conducted under International Cricket Conference (ICC) Rules of Play, by the England Cricket team at the Ageas (formerly Rose) Bowl. That I was thrilled to bits to be so honoured must be one of the understatements of the year.

After pre-session discussions with the England team officials the practice which comprised several mini scenarios emulating various stages of a full innings, batsmen pitted against bowlers with targets to achieve, proceeded under a heavily overcast sky. That the leaden sky wasn't dropping copious precipitation was a minor miracle and the Almighty favoured us all afternoon. The first light drops of rain appeared as we left the field at the end of the session and it was pouring by the time we left the ground.

I have written a more detailed version<sup>1</sup> of the afternoon's proceedings for anyone who is interested. It's a day I'll never forget.

Ian Bagshaw

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## **WESTBURY MANOR MUSEUM**

Our church now has a folder of photocopied archive newspaper articles, photographs and other historical items of interest. The folder (which we share with St. Faiths, Funtley) can be found on the bottom shelf in the resources room with other folders dedicated to the churches in Fareham.

There are two weeks remaining to view the Fareham Methodist Church bi-centenary display in the "Pride of Place" cabinet in the resources room of the museum.

Mark Brooks

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## **DON'T BLAME THE POOR, SAY CHURCHES**

The Methodist Church, Baptist Union of Great Britain and United Reformed Church are accusing the Government of continuing a trend of blaming the poor as new proposals to redefine poverty have been announced.

"These proposals risk further stigmatising the poor in the eyes of voters and the media," said Paul Morrison, Public Issues Adviser for the Methodist Church. "It is universally acknowledged that poverty is a relative concept. These proposals seek to undermine the idea that relative poverty matters, by focusing on other issues. At its worst it will seek to measure the 'faults' of the poor, further blaming them for poverty."

Parish Pump

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## **SMILE LINES**

The children had been grouped together around the Minister to pose for the annual Junior Church photograph, and the Minister was smiling encouragement.

"Just think how nice it will be to look at it when you are all grown up," he said. "You could point to each other and say: 'There's Jennifer; she's a lawyer,' or 'That's Michael, he's a doctor'".

A small voice at the back rang out, "And there's the Minister - hope he made it to heaven...."

## DO YOU SOUND LIKE YOUR MOTHER?

This summer, as you talk to your children, you may well find yourself repeating phrases that your mother first used on you as a child. Look out for phrases like: ‘because I said so’; ‘it’ll end in tears’; ‘no pudding unless you finish your dinner’; ‘if someone asked you to jump off a cliff, would you?’; ‘if I’ve told you once, I’ve told you a thousand times’; ‘ask your father’; ‘wait and see’; ‘there’s no such word as can’t’; ‘do as I say, not as I do’, and the rather mysterious ‘who is she? The cat’s mother?’ or ‘there is always something to keep the rabbit’s tail short.’

A recent survey has found that more than half of us are shocked when we realise we are behaving like our parents. But we admit that we use odd and old-fashioned sayings - just to baffle our children into doing as they are told. Many of us now sympathise with the job our own mother had in raising us.... Mothercare carried out the survey.

If you have a really unusual/funny phrase that has been handed down in your family, we would love to hear from you. It would be good to compile a list of all the phrases that the parents in our Church and Community use on their children... (No matter what their age!!)

Please send your entry to the editor .

Jill

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## SMILE LINES cont..

A Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem. A small child replied: “They couldn’t get a baby sitter”

A girl asked her mother if I was a gifted child .... She said I must be, because they certainly wouldn’t have paid for me.

The Moving Finger writes; and, having writ, moves on. And so I stare and wonder - where does the ink come from?!

Money isn’t everything, but it does keep you in touch with your children!

Learn from the mistakes of others. You simply can’t live long enough to make them all yourself!

Why don’t sheep shrink when it rains? Wool does!

Why didn’t Noah swat those two mosquitoes when he had the chance?

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# Showing at Bridgemary Methodist Church

Gregson Ave.

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July, 4.00 pm**

**Please join us**

**£3 includes pop-corn and ice cream**

For more information call Jean 02392 430657



The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel follows a group of British retirees who decide to "outsource" their retirement to less expensive and seemingly exotic India. Enticed by advertisements for the newly restored Marigold Hotel and bolstered with visions of a life of leisure, they arrive to find the palace a shell of its former self. Though the new environment is less luxurious than imagined, they are forever transformed by their shared experiences, discovering that life and love can begin again when you let go of the past.



# Olympics Quiz Night

Not just for Sports fans!!



Date: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July

Times: 6.30 p.m. for refreshments and  
'warm up'

Quiz from 7.00pm – 8.15pm

Where:? Bridgemyary Methodist Church

Gregson Avenue, Bridgemyary, PO13 0PJ

Cost: £1.50 per person

It's the same night as the Olympic opening ceremony but you should have time to get home for the TV coverage at 9pm!

More information from Lynne Matthews  
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## RUTH

The Book of Ruth is one of the shortest books in the Old Testament and it tells the story of a girl who came from Moab. Ruth married one of 2 brothers, both of whom died. Her husband's mother decided to leave Moab and to return home to Bethlehem. Orpah, the wife of the other brother, stayed in Moab but rather than leave Naomi old and alone Ruth went with her saying, 'Where you go, I will go; your people shall be my people, and your God my God'.

Ruth and Naomi were poor and had to search for food but were protected by Naomi's relative Boaz. In time Boaz married Ruth and they had a son called Obed who in turn was grandfather to King David the founder of the royal line which led to the birth of a another boy at Bethlehem, the baby Jesus.

Naomi and Ruth both knew what it was to be a stranger in a foreign land but they supported each other. The story of Ruth shows us the love and loyalty that can hold a single family together.

## RELATIVELY....

How are these people in the Bible related to each other? Answers at the bottom of the page.

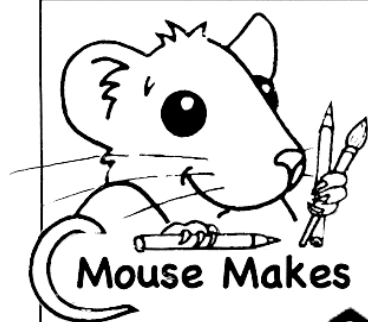
1. Simon and Andrew (Mark, chapter 1)
2. Miriam, Aaron and Moses (Exodus, chapter 2)
3. Eunice and Timothy (Acts, chapter 16)
4. Lazarus, Mary and Martha (John, chapter 11)
5. Boaz and Ruth (Ruth)
6. Cain and Abel (Genesis, chapter 4)
7. Elizabeth and Zechariah ((Luke, chapter 1)
8. Ham and Noah (Genesis, chapter 5)



**Did you hear about the little boy that they named after his father?**

They called him dad!

1. brothers 2. sister & brothers 3. mother & son 4. brother & sisters 5. married 6. brothers 7. married 8. father & son



In his letter to the Christians in Corinth the Apostle Paul encourages them to be like the athletes that trained for the Olympic games: to be disciplined, to keep going, and to never give up.  
READ 1 Corinthians 9:24-27

*"Run your best in the race of faith and win eternal life for yourself; for it was to this life that God called you..."*  
1 Timothy 6:12

**Make your own athlete's medal:**



Glue this page onto card.  
Cut out each medal then cut out the ribbon slots (you may need help with this) Thread on 60cm of ribbon.  
Wear your medal with pride!



## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

(All meetings at Church unless otherwise stated)

### **JULY**

3rd	Circuit Leadership Team @ Circuit Office	10.00
6th	Friday Lunch	13.00
7th	Extraordinary Circuit Meeting at Portchester MC	10.00
	Film at Bridgemary MC	16.00
10th	Fareham Church Council Meeting	19.30
11th	Messy Church	16.00
15th	Sunday Lunch approx	12.15
18th	Wednesday Fellowship at 4 Poyner Close	14.30
	K F C Planning Meeting for Craft Club in Snug	19.00
19th	Local Preacher's Meeting at Gosport MC	19.30
27th	Olympics Quiz Night at Bridgemary MC	19.00

### **AUGUST**

3rd	Friday Lunch	13.00
18th	Wedding of Kim Foster and Marc Woodall	13.30
19th	Summer Service & Tea	15.00

### **SEPTEMBER**

2nd	Friday Lunch	13.00
5th	Healing Prayer group	19.30
	At 2 Archery Close, Fareham	
8th	Synod at Winchester	9.30
	Ride & Stride Refreshments	10.00 - 18.00
11th	Circuit Meeting at Stubbington MC	19.30
12th	Messy Church	16.00 - 18.00
30th	Church Lunch following Harvest Services approx	12.15

## REFRESHMENT ROTA

### JULY

1st	Keith & Shirley Sargeant, Peggy Long
8th	Brownies & Guides
15th	Lynda Young, Elizabeth Wilcock
22nd	Jean & Mike Peter, Anne Isom
29th	Irene Russell, Tony Emberson

### AUGUST

5th	Pat & Tony Pickering, Lynda Haydon-Jones
12th	Rosemarie Jackson, Margaret Boyd
19th	Sheila Dyer, Sarah Brooks, Meg Cox
26th	Margaret Temple, Sally Bland, Brenda Bennett

### SEPTEMBER

2nd	Cath Stevenson, Vic Collins, Judith Bramall
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Mini-Market every Monday 9.30 to 11.45 am  
(Not Bank Holidays)

Coffee Centre every Thursday 9.30 to 11.45 am



The church officers had their usual polite  
exchange over who had forgotten  
to order the heating oil  
before the price went up.

## DOOR STEWARDS

### JULY

1st	10.30	Gwen & Harvey Bros gall
8th	10.30	Rosemarie & Tony Jackson
15th	10.30	Linda & Kevin Foster
22nd	10.30	Shirley & Keith Sargeant
	18.00	Eric Wheeler
29th	10.30	Bessie & Daniel Taabu

### AUGUST

5th	10.30	Brenda & Peter Taylor
12th	10.30	Mary Bailey, Judith Bramall
19th	10.30	Lynda Haydon-Jones, Liz Haigh
26th	10.30	Meg & Nigel Cox
	18.00	Eric Wheeler

### SEPTEMBER

2nd	10.30	Sheila & Graham Dyer
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## FLOWER ROTA

### JULY

1st	Maude Lovell
8th	Shirley Sargeant
15th	Rosemarie & Tony Jackson
22nd	Jill & Malcolm Race
29th	Mavis Parish

### AUGUST

5th	Karen Ferguson
12th	Garry Bagshaw
19th	Linda & Kevin Foster
26th	Louie Clement & Doreen Phillips

### SEPTEMBER

2nd	Marion Bright
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