

Dear Church Family,

Items for the Philippines

The time for sending items to the Philippines in time for Christmas is getting closer. Linda Iddon will be shipping at least one large box but has started on a second.

If you can donate any of the following please contact Linda on 07842 115551 who is willing to collect them from you.

- New/second hand boys and girls summer clothes and shoes
- Bath towels
- Soap / toothbrushes/ toothpaste / shower gel
- Brushes and combs
- Small toys/ soft toys new or second hand
- Colouring books and crayons (wood or wax)

Help With PEEP Preparation & Cleaning

Jan will be restarting PEEP on Monday 21st September and will be thoroughly cleaning, tidying and preparing the Ark ahead of that date before the children arrive.

She is looking for anyone who would be available to help with this task over the days leading up to the restart. If you are able to assist please contact Jan directly on 07974 472045.

When PEEP recommences on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays Jan will be managing the sessions on her own and it would be a great help if anyone could volunteer to clean tables, chairs, handles, surfaces and toilets between groups from 10:30 - 11:00 on one of those days.

Please email the church office or contact Jan if you would be able to help out.

hbccentre@tiscali.co.uk

A Message about the Month of Prayer from Linda:

Happy September everyone! It's been quite exciting as schools have gone back and things feel a bit more normal... but even better than that, October is coming!

October is going to be a month of prayer for us.

As we take steps to try out ideas and new ways of doing things in our church building and within our church family, we want the foundation of everything to be led by our Father God.

A month of prayer is an exciting opportunity to stand together, spend time with Him, praying for needs, partnering with Him to see His kingdom come and especially a breakthrough in this pandemic.

So, this is a heads up that for the month of October, we will be able to pray in the building, at home, on the streets and wherever else you can think of. More details will be coming soon but please send me your ideas and thoughts and any answers to prayer you have had. We won't be following the 24hour prayer room model but do have a look at the 24-7 resources they're really inspiring

www.24-7prayer.com/prayer

You can contact me at lindahawksley@hotmail.co.uk or 07732074420.

Let's plan and look forward to this important time together.

Bible Course Training

We want to facilitate training in Biblical study and had been looking at linking with the Nazarene Theological College in Didsbury to offer an evening course in our building for this Autumn.

With the current situation this is not going to be possible so we want to promote one of their online courses which is being led by our own Jon Darby. Here is a link to it:

<https://nazarene.ac.uk/intro-to-biblical-studies/>

We would be doing the 'for the joy of learning' version which costs £90.

Alongside the online course we will be creating a WhatsApp group to link everyone taking part together.

If you would like to take the course please email the church office to indicate your interest, but you would also need to register yourself with the college.

Life Groups & Small Groups

Plans for some new small groups are being finalised. If you expressed a desire to be connected to a group in the recent survey you will have received an email about new groups.

If you didn't indicate this in the survey but are interested please contact either:

Stuart Taylor - stutaylorhbcc@gmx.com 07739 236815 or

Steve Barrett - stevenbarrett7@gmail.com 07703 798279

The deadline for letting them is today, so please get touch by return.

Online Media

Our next online service will be available this Sunday... please refer to the HBCC Family Facebook page for more details.

All services can be found on the HBCC Facebook page and some are also on YouTube.

<https://www.facebook.com/Hesketh-Bank-Christian-Centre-137989929662209/>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI-q5TmlygGFnooTXluT6kg>

Wednesday Devotionals and Friday Focus continue as usual.

The Sunday Zoom will be restarting this Sunday at 11:15; see the HBCC Family Facebook Page for more details

Stories, News and Celebrations

Advance notice that Steve and Eva will be celebrating their Ruby Wedding Anniversary on Sunday 20th September.

If you have some news, a story, or if you would like us to share special birthdays, anniversaries or occurrences in our weekly bulletin....send details to the church email address at hbccentre@tiscali.co.uk

One-Off Service

The service we had on Sunday 6th September went well. We will be planning another similar gathering in the month of October subject to current regulations and advice... more details will follow.

Giving

There are still ongoing expenses as a church community even though we are not meeting in the building. Many of you give regularly and very faithfully and we're so grateful for your continued support. If anyone would like to make any one-off gifts you can do this through online banking.

Bank Sort Code: 40-24-14

Account No: 10429627

Finally, if you need help or support during the week, you can reach us on the numbers below:

Steve-07484 268297

Alex-07701 042458 (Youth and Young People)

Mark and Linda are on annual leave until 20th September.

The Leadership Team 10.09.2020