# Hi Everyone....

We often think of the parable of the farmer sowing the seed as relating to those who don't know God. But let's use the story this week to perhaps examine our own hearts and our own openness to Jesus and His kingdom rule and reign.

### We pray together:

"Lord, show us the hard places within us where we resist Your Kingdom life. Soften our hearts and expand our love and understanding. Amen." Plan for services:

As we mentioned last week, our aim is to meet weekly from September so we have our own 'road map' to get there which will give us all time to re-adjust so this is the plan:-

- Live in person services 6th June and then every two weeks until the end of August.
- What about our children?..... We have really missed seeing our children and are looking forward to welcoming them back into church so we have planned 3 SPECIAL EVENT SUNDAYS just for them and their families. They will be about 30 minutes long and filled with fun, stories and great music. We will use the 'I am' statements of Jesus for our specials and continue the theme throughout our summer family friendly services for all.
- 13th June I AM the Good Shepherd
- <u>27th June</u> I AM the Bread of LIFE.. including Picnic
- 11th July I AM the Light of the World

We realise that some of us may find the thought of coming back to church with large numbers quite daunting, so please let us know how you are feeling and if you would like to chat about it, please contact us.

# **Hesketh Bank churches BREAKOUT!**

#### Sunday 23rd May

We will celebrate Pentecost together!

Although we can't have a normal walking day, it's wonderful that the local churches still want to stand together in marking the coming of the Holy Spirit. So we're in!

There will be a short gathering for a hymn, prayer and reading at each of the 3 churches. You can visit all 3 churches and walk or drive between them. If walking, this will just be informally with friends or family (this is not an organised march/walk together). Alternatively you can visit just one church and times are given below.

2-00pm at Chapel Rd Methodist Church

2-20pm at All Saints Parish Church

2-45pm at Hesketh Bank Christian Centre Hampers!

Helping Hands are planning to run their brilliant hamper scheme again at half term...keep an eye on their Facebook page for more details.

#### **Don't forget PEEP IS BACK ON!**

As mentioned on Facebook we do have a need for a few people to help with wiping down equipment, especially on the Monday sessions, either 10:30am,

12:10pm or 1:50pm. It would take about half an hour. Thank you so much to those who are already help, we really appreciate you being part of this great work, but we do need more!

Please let us know if you're able to pitch in for a few weeks....

Please call or text Jan on <u>07974 472045</u> if you can support Peep in this way.

# **COFFEE MORNING PLUS CAFÉ UPDATE...**

Restrictions, at the moment, mean this would be very difficult to manage so we have decided to delay the re-opening of the coffee morning until later in June, when hopefully we can offer a similar atmosphere and set up to what we had before lockdown.

#### **Steve Lamin:**

Please pray for Steve as he starts his sabbatical <u>next Monday</u>. We hope this will be a time of refreshment, peace and joy.

## **Weekly activities:**

This week there is the usual Wednesday devotional and Friday Focus, along with groups run by Alex. Giving:

Thanks again to everyone who is continuing to support us financially through this very difficult season. If you would like to give to our work here you can set up a standing order, or make a one off payment using the following information.

**Bank Transfer to:** 

Account no. 65892415

Sort code 08-92-99

**Co-operative Bank** 

Account name is..... Hesketh Bank Christian Centre Well that's it for this week...

Stay safe and make sure you get vaccinated when you can.

Please use the Prayermail attached as many of our friends need our prayer support..use it each day as part of your devotional reflections.

See you all <u>next Tuesday</u>.

If you or your friends need any kind of help or support please get in touch.

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Or you can reach the team on the numbers below:

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