



We exist to bear witness to Jesus Christ in the world, to share in his mission, and to make known his faithful and saving love for all creation.

This Sunday November 29th - First Sunday in Advent

10:30am Morning Worship - 'Zechariah's praise and the birth of John the Baptist'. Luke 1vv67-80.

Monday November 30th

8:00pm New Heart Prayer Meeting.

Thursday December 3rd

2:15pm Thursday Fellowship in the church.
Speaker - Susan Halls.

Next Sunday December 6th - Second Sunday in Advent

10:30am Morning Worship - 'Mary's Praise and her obedience to God'. Luke 1 vv46-56.
Kidz Church in the hall for the children.

HOUSE GROUPS

Mon. 30th Nov. 10:30am in the church.
Mon 30th Nov. 8pm at Douro, Mordaunt Drive, Wellington College (01344 772500).
Weds. 2nd Dec. No meeting until the New Year
Thurs. 3rd Dec. 8pm at High Trees House, 75 Heathermount Drive.
Fri. 4th Dec. 10am at different venues. Tel. Avril Doyle for details (01344 775512).

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- For our witness at the late night shopping event on Dec 4th.
- **Steve Pillinger** reports that the Wycliffe IT department has managed to sort out his laptop sufficiently that he can continue to work on the typesetting for the NT translation. Give thanks for answered prayer and continue to pray that progress will be made quickly and the work will be finished before Christmas.

ADVENT and CHRISTMAS SERVICES

- * Sunday 6th Dec. - Advent 2.
- * Sunday 13th Dec. - Advent 3.
- * Sunday 20th Dec. - Advent 4.
- * Sunday 20th Dec. at 5pm - 'Carols by Candlelight'.
- * Christmas Eve at 4pm - Christingle Service.
- * Christmas Day at 10.30am - Celebration.

If you would like to talk to someone about anything which concerns you, please speak with any of the Leadership Team:-

MINISTER: Martin Ceaser: Tel. 01344 779994 (Manse) or 774085 (Church study). Martin will usually be in the Church Study Monday to Thursday.

DEACONS: Lawre Doyle, Margaret Kerfoot, Sue Burrow and Phil Ashton.

ADMIN: Philip Hood: Tel. 01252 871569

Thought For The Week

Now is the time of God's favour; now is the day of salvation.

2 Corinthians 6 : 2

'NEW HEART MEETING' with ARCHITECT

This will be on December 13th at 12 noon. Please note the time and date - we will be meeting with Colin straight after the service so as many of us as possible can be involved. Please amend your cookers and dinner times accordingly!!

CHURCH BUDGET

If anyone would like a copy of the proposed Church Budget for 2010 as presented at the Meeting on November 24th please ask Ian or get an electronic copy by e-mailing him at ian2burrow@btinternet.com. Comments received by Christmas will be considered before a final version is presented for approval at the meeting on January 27th.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Deborah (nee Allen) and Chris who are now the proud parents of a baby boy, Daniel born on Monday 23rd November.



SPECIAL ADVENT PRAYERS

Prepared by the Barnabas Fund, which supports Christians who are persecuted for their faith around the world.

The "magi from the east" who visited the infant Jesus in Bethlehem are widely believed to have begun their journey in Persia, now Iran. These prayers take us on a journey from Iran to Bethlehem. Please pray for Christians in these countries on the following days in December.

1st : Iran

2nd : Afghanistan

3rd: India

4th: Sri Lanka

5th: Bangladesh.

More information available from the website: www.barnabasfund.org

NEWS SHEET

Please send any items for next week's news sheet to **Justine Wells** by 8pm Thursday. (Tel. 01344 752647 or email: justinewellsuk@yahoo.co.uk)

CHRISTIAN BIKERS TOY RUN

The Reading Christian Bikers annual Christmas Toy Run is on Sunday, 6th December this year. If you would like to come along, please meet Kev Town outside Crowthorne Baptist Church at 11.45 to set off for 12 p.m.

You can dress up yourself/bike and if you would like to bring an unwrapped child's toy, that would be much appreciated.

If you are not going to be involved we would appreciate your prayers for safety, fun and an opportunity of Christian witness.

CBC FILM CLUB

- **Friday December 11th**

The Friday Film Club for young people in school years 7, 8 & 9. Doors open at 6:30pm. Film starts at 7:00pm. Admission FREE.



LATE NIGHT SHOPPING

... on Friday 4th December.

- The church will be open, including a life-size nativity scene, where people can dress up and have their photos. People's photos will be uploaded to a website where they can retrieve them, along with a gospel message.
- HOPE is supporting Crowthorne Late Night Christmas Shopping with a free hog roast provided by the local Churches, from 5:30pm outside the Baptist church.
- There will also be a cake stall in the church. Please can you bring any cakes to the church from 4:30pm on the Friday. See Joan Ford for more details.

SOUND

We are looking for volunteers to help with the sound on a Sunday morning. No experience is necessary as full training will be given. If you are interested, please see Richard Wells or Daniel Gravett.