

...a warm welcome to ebenezer...

Hello

Welcome to you if you are new to our church or visiting. **Please make yourself at home.** If you require help or information, please ask a member of our **Welcome Team.** If you need **prayer** after the service, please feel free to go to the **Prayer Den.** If you have with you **babies, children, young people or those of any age with special needs,** we have groups that cater for their needs – please listen for announcements.

In the event of a fire or emergency incident, please evacuate the building immediately, under the guidance of the Leadership Team.

TODAY

10.30am Morning Worship and Communion

Encounter with Jesus – Martha and Mary John 11:17-44

6.30pm Entreat a time spent in sung worship and sharing communion, with space set aside to seek God in intercessory prayer. We will focus on some of the missions we support.

Bereavement

We thank the LORD for His gracious answers to our prayers for the peaceful passing away of Neil's stepmother, Joyce, on Tuesday 1st October at 8.15pm. In the days prior to her death her husband and family were able to be with her. Please continue to support the family in prayer as they grieve and as they arrange the funeral.

'Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.' *1 Corinthians 15:20 (NIVUK)*

Sunday Morning Communion

Corrine Smith says:

The Communion bread this morning is **gluten free** and **dairy free**. This will replace the bread and wafers we have used in the past. From now on, everyone can partake in the same bread without exception.



The dates for the next Morning Communion in 2019 are:

24th November 15th December

Sunday 13th October

10.30am Harvest Thanksgiving

Encounter with Jesus: Feeding the 5000 John 6:1-14

We will be celebrating God's goodness to us and especially thanking Him for the blessings of Harvest!!

Each year we have an opportunity to share our plenty with those who are less fortunate, so if you're able to, gifts of food in packets and tins can be brought to church on that day and will be taken to **The Rainbow Centre** later to support their work!!!

6.30pm Enrich a time spent in sung worship and seeking God through the preaching of His word

'Growing old and facing our mortality'

12th October 9am Prayer for Scarborough Oliver's Mount

Everyone is invited to join to pray for Scarborough and the surrounding area. If the weather is very inclement, the meeting will be held at Ebenezer Baptist Church.

For a prayer for Scarborough, specially adapted for the Springtide Conference, please see page 8.

You may find this helpful in your own devotions and in your group

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

RAY BEADLE SAYS

ALL MEN ARE INVITED TO JOIN US ON **SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER** AT **ALEXANDER BOWLS CENTRE, 9.30AM**, FOR BREAKFAST. MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW.

PLEASE LET ME HAVE YOUR NAMES ASAP IF YOU INTEND TO BE THERE, AND HAVE ANY SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS.

OUR SPEAKER IS **REV FRANCIS WAINAINA**, AND YOU CAN READ SOMETHING ABOUT HIS STORY [HERE](#).



<https://www.harrogateadvertiser.co.uk/news/people/a-life-less-ordinary-starbeck-s-charismatic-vicar-says-farewell-1-7730133>

Welcome Lunch

Neil says

Are you new to Ebenezer, or perhaps have been here a while and want to find out more about us?

Then our new **“Welcome Lunch”** might be just the thing.

Welcome Lunches will happen every few months and are a chance to get to meet Neil and another of our leaders over a nice roast lunch after the morning service.

During lunch there will be a chance to find out what we are about, how you can better connect, and the vision we have for the future. And, of course, ask us any questions you may have.

The first Welcome Lunch is on **Sunday 13th October** at Neil's home.

If you would like to be part of it, please see Neil or one of the other leaders to book your place.



NewWine **New Wine Women's Day**
Local churches changing nations



Saturday 12th October

9.30 - 4pm

St Martin's Church Seamer

(Sat. Nav. YO12 4QG)

Suggested donation £10 (including refreshments)

Please bring a packed lunch

Speaker: Elaine Wainaina

Elaine is a well-known New Wine speaker and trainer with ministries in pastoral care and healing. She has a passion to see people stepping into their true identity as children of the King.

Please book in advance by email to joannetaylor909@aol.com

Going Deeper into...

Encounter with Jesus – Martha and Mary - John 11:17-44

A resource for individuals and groups

Focus on the Sermon:

- ✚ What did God say to you through the sermon, and what caught your attention?
- ✚ Who are the characters in the passage, what are their motivations, fears and hopes?
- ✚ Imagine yourself in the scene, what do you notice?
- ✚ Which sister do you most identify with? Why?
- ✚ Why do you think Jesus weeps and is so deeply moved?
- ✚ How does this passage encourage your prayers? Why?
- ✚ Share with each other something this passage has stirred in you and pray for each other.

Jesus said to her, I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?' 'Yes, Lord,' she replied, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world.'

John 11:25-27 (NIVUK)

Church Meeting and Elections

Wednesday 16th October 7.30pm

Notice to Members: Election of Church Secretary and Deacons

Phillip Gott Treasurer says:

At the Church Meeting on 16th October, we will be seeking to elect a Church Secretary and fill up to 5 Deacon Vacancies.

Nominations have now closed, and the following have been nominated:

Secretary: *Susan Stride*

Deacons: *Ailsa Grassam* and *David Hick* for re-election for second term;

Paul Smith and *Janet Wilson*

Please pray for these willing servants and consider for whom you would like to vote (you may vote for all the candidates, as there are sufficient vacancies.)

Members aged 18 and over are eligible to vote. In case of unavoidable absence Church Members may obtain a voting paper from Phillip Gott which, to be counted, must be returned to him before the commencement of the Church Meeting at which the election is to be held.

Some words from 1 Timothy 3:8-13 (NIVUK)

...deacons are to be worthy of respect, sincere, not indulging in much wine, and not pursuing dishonest gain. They must keep hold of the deep truths of the faith with a clear conscience. They must first be tested; and then if there is nothing against them, let them serve as deacons. In the same way, the women are to be worthy of respect, not malicious talkers but temperate and trustworthy in everything.

A deacon must be faithful to his wife and must manage his children and his household well. Those who have served well gain an excellent standing and great assurance in their faith in Christ Jesus.

Missions Update

From **Phil and Dianne Benstead**, serving the Lord in Turkish Cyprus, with People International (dated 17th September):

Dear Friends

Just to let you know Phil is in the UK at the moment to attend his Dad's funeral: he passed away to be with the Lord on Wednesday. We would value prayer for all the family at this time.

Sarah and Veysel are getting married on the 5th October, so we are in the middle of preparations! Veysel has started a job in a chemist's. He tried very hard to find a job in Turkey but has a file against him because of Christian activity, so they are here and are planning to stay for a while to see what happens.

Church is progressing. Numbers in summer are always down for both the English side and the Turkish side, but now the students are slowly coming back.

Please pray for a number of people we visit but who don't seem to want to come to church.

The Girne fellowship is still going. A group do street evangelism on Fridays to invite people and good conversations are had each week. One lady was baptised 2 weeks ago.

The boys are doing well, growing spiritually too. Kayra has started A Levels so has a very busy programme.

Thank you for your prayers. Every blessing.



Springtide Conference: images



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Blessing Scarborough

Scarborough, we bless you in Jesus' name.

We bless each household, each marriage and each family.

We bless the relationships between different generations.

We bless your health. We bless your wealth.

We bless the work of your hands.

We bless every wholesome enterprise in which you are involved. We pray it prospers.

We bless the fishing and other industries along our coast.

We bless all involved in tourism. We pray you will prosper as people are drawn to our beautiful town.

We bless the statutory services: health, police, fire, council and social services. We ask God to provide you with all you need to deliver excellence to the area. We bless our MP and local government.

We bless the voluntary agencies and support networks of faith and friendship; that they may be tangible signs of the Kingdom.

We bless the pupils in our schools, asking God to aid learning, understanding and friendship.

We bless teachers and ask God to provide abundantly for their needs.

Who bless anyone in Scarborough who finds life challenging for any reason, praying you come to know God as your Champion.

We bless the lonely; that you find comfort in God's friendship and family.

We bless all Christian places of worship in our town, praying that the word and Spirit of God may flow from you. We bless the ministries you undertake, praying for their fruitfulness.

We bless each person residing in or visiting Scarborough, praying your hearts may be soft and responsive to the voice of God.

(Local adaptation of the Ffald-y-Brenin blessing in The Grace Outpouring)