



**Sunday 5 December**  
**...a warm welcome to ebenezer...**

Then Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Shen.  
He named it Ebenezer, saying,  
'Thus far the Lord has helped us.'  
1 Samuel 7:12 (NIVUK)  
Ebenezer means 'stone of help'

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**Today: The Second Sunday in Advent**

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**10.30am Tea and coffee served**

**11.00am Live in church and Live Streaming on Facebook**

<https://www.facebook.com/EbsBaptist/>

Our worship service includes the Dedication of Rosie White.

**The Answer is 'Yes!'...now, what is the 'question'?**

**2 Chronicles 6:12-21**

Hear the cry and the prayer that your servant is praying in  
your presence

2 Chronicles 6:19b (NIVUK)

**6.30pm An Advent Reflection**

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**Sunday 12 December The Third Sunday in Advent**

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**10.30am Tea and coffee served**

**11.00am Live in church and Live Streaming on Facebook**

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**Walking in darkness**

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light

Isaiah 9:2b (NIVUK)

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## Sunday 12 December continued

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6.30pm



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### Mince Pies!!

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*Sheena Beadle says:*

Hi everyone,

Following our Carols by Candlelight service and our Family Nativity service we have always served refreshments, in particular mince pies. It would be lovely if we could do that again on Sunday 12th in the evening, and on Sunday 19th following our Worship in the morning. If you're able to bring some to church on **the morning of 12th** that would be wonderful. Thank you.



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## Getting ready for Jesus!!



**Over the next few weeks we are getting ready for Jesus!!!**

**There'll be Nativity preparation as well as Advent Activities!**

**Sunday 21st November Nativity Preparation**

**Sunday 28th November Advent Party\***

**Sunday 5th December Nativity Preparation**

**Sunday 12th December Nativity Preparation**

**Sunday 19th December Nativity!**

**Each week meeting at Ebenezer - 10.30am for refreshments, 11am for songs, prayers then about 11.15am heading into the hall.**

**(\*see separate invite re details of Advent Party)**



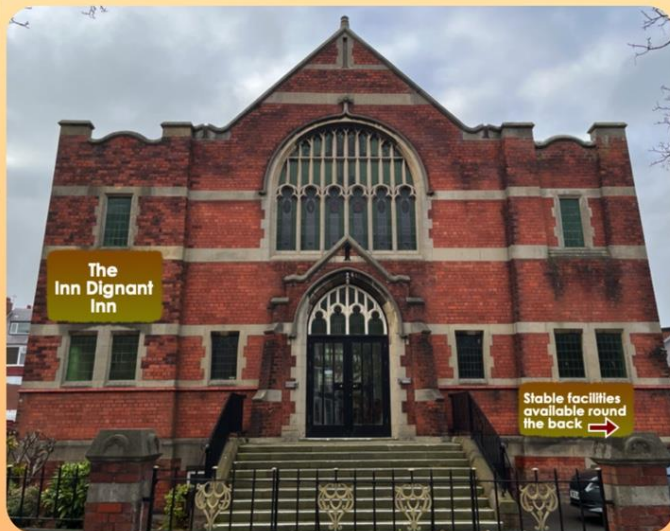
**Come along to  
The Inn Dignant Inn  
on Sunday 19th December 2021  
for our FAMILYLights nativity.**

**If you've been following the  
story on Hark Radio (Facebook)  
or in The Herald (enews)  
then you'll know that there are  
problems with those grumpy  
innkeepers at the Inn Dignant!**

**The inn lacks peace  
and goodwill to all  
when some troublesome  
travellers arrive .....**

**Hopefully more than  
beds will be changed !**

**10.30am Refreshments  
11am Nativity  
@ Ebenezer Baptist Church**



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## Preparations and Invitations

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Sheena Beadle, one of our Elders, says:

Advent is a time not just of *practical* preparation, but also of our *spiritual* journey of preparation. The Coming of Jesus was heralded by the prophets and recorded by Matthew, Luke and John: their words lead us to the Manger as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

This year we are *all* encouraged to extend a *personal* invitation to a friend, relative or neighbour to come and join us in our Advent and in our Christmas celebrations!



**December Services**

5<sup>th</sup> Second Sunday in Advent  
11am Worship Service  
including the Dedication of Rosie White  
6.30pm An Advent Reflection

12<sup>th</sup> Third Sunday in Advent  
11am Worship Service  
6.30pm Carols by Candlelight  
"Letters from the Manger"

19<sup>th</sup> Fourth Sunday in Advent  
11am Worship Service,  
including FamilyLights Nativity

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day  
10am A short Celebration Worship Service

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> No service

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## Yorkshire Baptist Association Prayer Diary 2021

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enews editor says:

Please pray this week for:

-  Westgate Baptist Church, Bradford
  -  West Lane Baptist Church, Haworth
- <http://www.westlanebaptistcentre.org.uk/>

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## Claus for Concern!



**By Dusty Road**

The mood is positively bleak and frosty at the Inn Dignant Inn this week as Ann Oyed continues to moan. It's beginning to look a lot like inn-keeper, incensed Frank, has left his wife Ann with all the donkey work of running the Inn D i g n a n t .

Jobs are now sprouting up all over the place with one guest even requesting blankets for his pigs, leaving Ann spitting turkey feathers and feeling more than a trifle angry.

A close friend of the couple, Miles Away, said that "Ann often

gets the hump about what incensed Frank does, but this time he has gone too far", causing Ann to lament "it's going to be a long and lonely census without you".

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**Dusty Road is a regular Herald reporter whose writings lead to the Truth of the matter!**



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## emailing the Elders

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To contact the Elders by email please use:  
**sheenab@rockofhelp.org.uk**

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## Deadline Joint Christmas Edition of enews

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*enews editor says:*

The last 2021 edition of enews will be a joint edition covering Sunday 19 and Christmas Day Saturday 25 December.

Please email items to [enews@rockofhelp.org.uk](mailto:enews@rockofhelp.org.uk) for inclusion by **noon Thursday 16 December**. Thank you

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## Missions Updates

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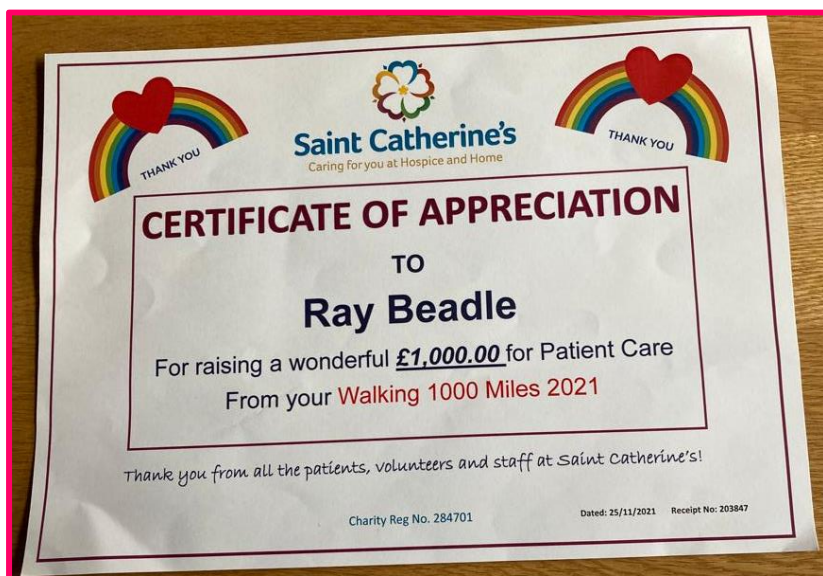
<https://www.rockofhelp.org.uk/> under the Resources tab,

### Missions Updates

- ✚ YBA Newsround 24 November
  - ✚ BMS Weekly Update 25 November
  - ✚ Worldshare December Prayer Calendar
  - ✚ SwaziVision December Newsletter
  - ✚ UBM December Prayer Letter
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## Congratulations to Ray Beadle

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## Urgent request for flower arrangers

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*Eunice Brewster says:*

Most people enjoy seeing the beautiful flower arrangements in church: a smaller vase on the Welcome Table at the entrance, and a substantial display on the flower shelf at the front right inside. For various reasons, people who have been faithfully serving us over many years have retired and this leaves just three on the rota. We urgently need new, younger volunteers to take over both the rota and the arrangements.

The flower arranging involves purchasing the flowers for both arrangements (Phillip Gott, Treasurer, can reimburse the cost if given the receipts); the previous week's flowers need to be removed; the fresh arrangements created.

Please see me if this is a service you can offer, and if you would be willing to take over the rota.

*enews editor adds:*

Eunice arranges not just the flowers, but also the rota. She has been faithfully serving Ebenezer as a flower arranger for over 30 years. The more people who are on the rota, the less frequently you would need to serve.

I am sure we are all very grateful for the beautiful flowers we see week by week.



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## Urgent request for curtains

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Margaret Davidson asks:

Do you have any curtains that you no longer require? Suitable curtains are needed for the rented flat for Revd Dr Jim Purves, our Consultant Pastor, and Mrs Jennifer Purves?

### Specifications:

2 sets of bedroom curtains: 54" drop x 75" or 100" wide

3 sets of lounge curtains:

Patio doors: 90" drop x 100" or more wide;

Side window: 54" drop x 54" wide;

Back window: 54" drop x 100" wide.

They need to be pencil pleat headings.

For further information, please contact me on 07507 329 311

Thank you.

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## FamilyLights Update

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## Please nominate Faith In Scarborough Schools for a gift!

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Catherine Dufton says:

Hi everyone!

The Ecclesiastical Insurance Co. is giving away £120,000 over the 12 day run-up to Christmas!

Please consider nominating FISS as a possible recipient of a £1,000 gift, and consider asking friends to nominate FISS too?



It's all very simple:

- + Go to <https://movementforgood.com/12days/>
- + Click the orange button: Nominate a charity now
- + Enter the FISS Charity Number: 1064479
- + Select the option: Education and skills
- + Complete the personal details and the options
- + Click: Submit

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## A new name for our charity: Deadline 12 December

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Phillip Gott, Treasurer, says:

Ebenezer Baptist Church Scarborough is registered with the Charity Commission as an unincorporated charity. The Trustees are recommending that we incorporate the charity as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and at the same time give it a new name which reflects the fact that it includes two congregations. We have given it the working title YCCN (Yorkshire Coast Christian Network) but we want to seek your opinion on the name.

Please note that Ebenezer Baptist Church, Hope Whitby, and FamilyLights would still be known by their own names and use those names on advertising; all that would change would be the charity registration number.

Please contact Bill Holmes [secretary@rockofhelp.org.uk](mailto:secretary@rockofhelp.org.uk) with your views by **12 December** so that we can make a decision at the January 2022 Church Meeting.

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Thank you for your support and continued generosity.

This Christmas, students across Great Britain will be hosting a whole range of festive events, all with one goal in mind: to share the gospel with their friends. Please join us in praying for their witness throughout Advent. Find out more about these events and how you can pray at [uccf.org.uk/Christmas](http://uccf.org.uk/Christmas)

'This is one of my favourite lines from a Christmas carol. I love that it sums up the joy and hope that Jesus brings to a weary world in need of a Saviour. It seems especially appropriate as we face so much wearisome suffering and many struggles, to be reminded of Jesus, our hope that goes beyond all suffering and hurt.'

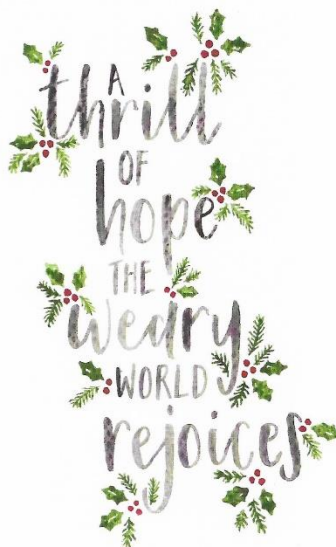
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Dear Friends

**Happy Christmas**

With sincere thanks for your ongoing partnership.

In Christ,

Richard Cunningham  
UCCF Director

'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.'

Luke 2:10-11