

...a warm welcome to e•benezer...

Ebenezer Baptist Church
250 years
1771 – 2021



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 7:22 (NIVUK)

Ebenezer means ‘stone of help’

Our buildings and Government Restrictions

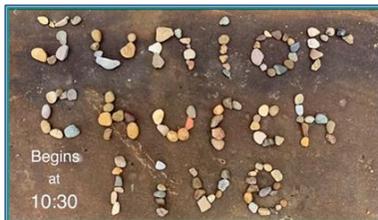
Neil says:

Our buildings are currently closed, please do not enter them without permission from the Deacons.

Thank you.

Today:

10.30am Live Stream! on Facebook



11.00am Live Stream! On Facebook

Ready to be a good friend Proverbs 17:17

A friend loves at all times,
and a brother is born for a time of adversity. (NIVUK)

Sunday 21st February

There is **NO Junior Church** on 21st February as it is half term.
Junior Church Live resumes on 28th February.

11.00am Live stream! On Facebook

Charity Ready to Care for the Poor Proverbs 14:31

Mission Updates

Find them on the church website, Resources tab, Noticeboard
<https://www.rockofhelp.org.uk/noticeboard>

-  YBA Newsround 10th February
-  BMS Tham's Good News Story
-  MAF Flight Log February 2021

Sunday 28th February 6pm Ebenezer Songs of Praise on Zoom

David Grassam says:

It would be great if we could widen the scope of those joining in our second "Songs of Praise"!

This time I hope the children and young people will suggest praise songs they would like us to sing and, if possible, tell us why they like them, with parents' help if necessary!

The worship with the children and young peoples' suggestions would start the event and last approximately 15 minutes.

For the next section I am hoping that we can have choices from our Mustard Seed members. We know that they are missing meeting with us.

After that we can continue with other worship songs and hymns.

Of course, this will only work if we have contributions!

Please let me know by **Friday 26th February** what you wish us to sing and ideally share *why* your choice means so much to you.

Please let me know the internet link to your choice if you have it. It would be so encouraging if you were able to share a testimony about your song or hymn.

Please contact me grassam@mac.com or by telephone 367393.

This is the Zoom link:

David Grassam is inviting you to Ebenezer Songs of Praise Time:
Feb 28, 2021 06:00 PM London

Join

Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84855802429?pwd=ZWU4R2I4SEVlVHkwdU9DRGt1THR6QT09>

Meeting ID: 848 5580 2429 Passcode: 334279

One tap mobile 02030512874,,84855802429#,,,,*334279#

Or dial 0203 051 2874 Meeting ID: 848 5580 2429 Passcode: 334279

250th Anniversary Service and the book: featured by The Baptist Times

'A fascinating true story of struggle, hardship and the faithful determination of those past and present'....

...that is the Baptist Times' description of the book written by Sam Cowgill to celebrate Ebenezer's 250 years of existence. With a summary of those years, including notable highlights, references to the Anniversary Service, quotes from Sam himself and from Neil, the article is a great read.

And if you haven't yet bought your copy, or want to order more to give to friends or family, there is an embedded link to the on-line order form

Read the article here:

https://baptisttimes.co.uk/Articles/602469/Struggle_hardship_and.asp

Covid Vaccine Statement

Neil says:

It is distressing to see how fake news about the Covid vaccine continues to be spread around, so I will repeat what I said on two recent Sunday services:

Faith leaders from all faiths across the country have endorsed various statements encouraging people to be vaccinated.

I can tell you that the vaccines

-  contain no animal products
-  they contain no human embryo cells
-  they do not alter your DNA
-  nor do they have microchips in them

There is a lot of nonsense out there about them which we have to debunk. Vaccines offered in the UK have been tested as thoroughly as any vaccine ever is.

One of the many statements I endorse reads

"We urge all faith communities to take measures that will ensure their safety and the safety of others. Furthermore, we support the Covid-19 vaccination programme across the community and we encourage people to be vaccinated so that they keep themselves and their neighbours safe."

Roberta says:

RebootNY is a collaborative project led and co-ordinated by North Yorkshire County Council. It brings together a wide range of partners and community organisations across the County – including businesses, libraries, schools, local charities and volunteers – to help provide people across North Yorkshire with IT equipment and access to the internet so they can stay connected.

They are committed to supporting people across the County – especially during COVID lockdown and restrictions such as:

School children who need access to these resources to continue their learning from home and to help take pressure away from their parents or guardians.

Elderly people who may be experiencing long periods of social isolation and who need help to get online -to help them both stay connected to friends and family, and to enable them to access vital support and services.

Vulnerable people who need digital access to support their mental health and wellbeing.

We all recognise the significant impact technology can have on people's lives and that there are people in Scarborough, and more widely, North Yorkshire, who are not yet able to share these benefits. RebootNY wants to address this by getting as many people online as possible.

Your contribution can make a difference!

Which items can be donated?

Any smartphone, tablet or laptop donations would be appreciated, with any chargers or cables where possible. Devices need to be less than 10 years old and in working order when donated.

How can I clear data off my device before donating?

All personal data **must** be cleared from the device before we can pass it on and **must** be re-set to Factory Settings. If you need help with deleting data from your device, please let me know. I know a man who can!

Where do I drop-off devices to donate?

Devices can be donated at

Scarborough Library, Vernon Road, Scarborough.

Donations need to be dropped off during the Library's open hours (**Mon-Fri 9am – 4.30 and Saturdays 9am – 3pm**) and adhering to COVID safety guidelines.

There will be a table with a collecting box just inside the foyer. If you are unable to take the device in person, please let me know and I will arrange collection.

Please contact me at robertae@rockofhelp.co.uk if you need further information.

Yorkshire Baptist Association Prayer Diary 2021

enews editor says:

Please pray this week for:

-  Blenheim Baptist Church, Leeds
<https://www.blenheim.org.uk/>
-  Boulevard Baptist Church, Hull

Pray for our Leaders

Thursday	18 th February	9.30am	Elders' Meeting
Thursday	4 th March	9.30am	Elders' Meeting

Have confidence in your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you.

Pray for us. We are sure that we have a clear conscience and desire to live honourably in every way. Hebrews 3:17,18 (NIVUK)

Giving glory to God

Neil says:

As Christians our lives are a living image of what happens when a life encounters God. We have a story of God engaging with humans to tell, because each day of our lives is part of that story.

Telling that story is part of our journey as it tells others about a God who loves us, not just the day we came to faith but also the countless moments each day when God intersects with our lives (although we often aren't that good at noticing those!). Telling the story allows others to come to faith, and it gives glory to God.

I would love to share those stories in our Sunday Gatherings, so please drop me an email and we can make it happen; it could be the story of when you came to faith and that would be great, but I'd also love to hear the stories of what God has done in the last days or weeks.

Please contact me at minister@rockofhelp.org.uk

Saturday 13th February 9am Prayer for Scarborough

Meet via Zoom with people from different churches, to pray for Scarborough and the surrounding area.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/77906883440?pwd=dzQ1YUdPSUprMUgvcIhXdFIWS09xdz09>

Meeting ID: 779 0688 3440

Passcode: 9Xavih

enews editor says:

Kimberlee Waring is responsible for Prayer for Scarborough meetings on Zoom. She sends out an email with the Zoom details, and with scriptures to help focus prayer.

If you would like to receive her email direct to your Inbox, please contact me on enews@rockofhelp.org.uk and I will forward your email to her, so she can send it to you.

Love Is In The Air Quiz

The next in our legendary series of quizzes is on
Saturday 13th February at 7.30pm



on Zoom

Please let Neil or Claire know who is in your team...