

Dunstable

BAPTIST CHURCH



NEWSLETTER
AUGUST

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INDEPENDENT GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH BASED UPON THE BIBLE

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Our regular meetings are as follows – everyone warmly welcome

SUNDAY

9.40 a.m. Bible Class
9.45 a.m. Prayer Meeting
10.30 a.m. Morning Service + Sunday School (term time)
6.00 p.m. Evening Service

Note: a crèche for under 5s is available during the morning sermon.

Refreshments are served after the morning service except 1st Sunday.

Communion – after the 1st Sunday morning and 3rd Sunday evening services.

7.15 p.m. Church Fellowship Meeting (as announced)
7.30 p.m. Young Peoples' Fellowship (1st in month in home)

MONDAY

6.00 - 7.00 p.m. Monday Kids Club (years 1-6)
7.30 p.m. Ladies Bible Study (3rd in month)

TUESDAY

9.15 - 11.00 a.m. Toddlers
7.30 p.m. Bible Study and Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY

10.00 a.m. Ladies Prayer Meeting in Home (3rd in month)
2.30 p.m. Friends and Neighbours (2nd in month) (2.00pm in summer)
2.30 p.m. Friends and Neighbours Link (4th in month)

FRIDAY

7.30 - 9.00 p.m. Focus (club for years 7-13)

SATURDAY

8.00 - 9.00 a.m. Men's Prayer Meeting (3rd in month)
11.00 a.m. Open-Air Ministry (1st in month)
7.00p.m. Social Group (as announced)
7.30p.m. Youth Squash (as announced)

OTHER MEETINGS – AS ANNOUNCED

For further information contact:

Church Secretary: Scott Mitchell (01582 703875)

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CHRISTIAN BOOKS

Mon. to Sat. 9.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m.

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Dear Friends

I was recently asked to review *Reset: Living a Grace-Paced Life in a Burnout Culture* by David Murray for the Banner of Truth Magazine. I found the book enjoyable and profitable reading. What struck me first – and most – was an illustration from the introduction. Here is how Murray illustrates the motivating power of grace.

“To illustrate, take a look at five people printing Bibles on the same assembly line. Mr. Dollar is asking, “How can I make more money?” Mr. Ambitious is asking, “How can I get a promotion?” Mr. Pleaser is asking, “How can I make my boss happy?” Mr. Selfish is asking, “How can I get personal satisfaction in my job?” They all look and feel miserable. Then we bump into Mr Grace, who’s asking, “In view of God’s amazing grace to me in Christ, how can I serve God and others here?”

From the outside, it looks as if all five are doing the same work, but inside, they look completely different. The first four are striving, stressed, anxious, fearful and exhausted. But Mr. Grace is so energised by his gratitude for grace that his job satisfies and stimulates him rather than draining him. Where grace is not fuelling a person from the inside out, he burns from the inside out.”

I think it is highly likely that each of these five people – and attitudes – are present in the workforce of most local churches. Perhaps that’s why so many professing Christians and active workers in the church are striving, stressed, anxious, fearful and exhausted. Could it be that many of us need a reset?

I pray in the coming months that the Lord will use the weekly ministry of His word and the faithful ongoing care of His people to help us all rediscover the powerful motivation of grace. May grace increasingly be not only our message – but our motivation as well.

Barry King

Finance

DONATIONS

During the last month gifts have been sent (or are awaiting being sent), from those received for the work and from church funds, as follows:

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| Caring for Life | (from gifts) | £12 |
| European Missionary Fellowship (EMF) – in support of Rogério Ramos | (from gifts) | £25 |
| Grace Baptist Mission – to support Andrzej Kempczynski in Poland | (from gifts) | £25 |
| Grace Baptist Mission – General Fund | (from church funds) | £500 |

During the last month the following amount has been received by personal cheque:

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| London Seminary – Bursary Funds | £250 |
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Thank you for your gifts, please continue to pray for all those we support.

DBC DIARY DATES—GOD WILLING

| 2017 AUGUST | | |
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| Sun 30th | am & pm | Steve Burton |
| Tues 1st | 7.30pm | Bible Study & Prayer: Barry King |
| Sun 6th | am & pm am 5.20pm | Barry King Communion Prayer Meeting |
| Tues 8th | 7.30pm | Bible Study & Prayer: Barry King |
| Sun 13th | am & pm | Andy Banton |
| Tues 15th | 7.30pm | Bible Study & Prayer: Barry King |
| Sun 20th | am 12.30pm pm | Rex Andrews Fellowship Lunch (Rogério Ramos visit) Tim Reynolds Communion |
| Tues 22nd | 7.30pm | Bible Study & Prayer: Steve Burton |
| Sun 27th | am & pm | Steve Burton |
| Tues 29th | 7.30pm | Bible Study & Prayer: Barry King |
| Sun 6th | am & pm am 5.20pm | Barry King Communion Prayer Meeting |

Tuesday Prayer Time Leaders & Subjects

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| 1st | Frank Taylor | Gideons |
| 8th | David Woodruff | GBP |
| 15th | Rex Andrews | Bookshop |
| 22nd | Steve Burton | Sunday School |
| 29th | John Keble | CFL |

Please forward items for the
SEPTEMBER 2017 NEWSLETTER
to Scott Mitchell
dunstablebaptist@gmail.com
by SUNDAY 20th AUGUST

'PRAY FOR US' Members preaching in other churches

| AUGUST | | |
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| 30th | Barry King | Coopers Edge BC, Gloucester Eastcombe BC (pm) |
| 6th | Rex Andrews Steve Burton | Wootton BC (pm) Langdale (am) Wilstead (pm) |
| 13th | Barry King Rex Andrews Steve Burton | Edlesborough Hatfield BC (am) Grace BC Hitchin (pm) Langdale (am) |
| 20th | Barry King Steve Burton | Edlesborough Limes Avenue (pm) |
| 27th | Barry King Rex Andrews | Edlesborough Great Whyte BC, Ramsey |

AUGUST ROTAS

Please arrange to swap if the date is not convenient

Door

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| 30th | Winnie & Dawn |
| 6th | Ray and Beverly |
| 13th | Brian & Barbara |
| 20th | Matthew & Julia |
| 27th | Scott & Sarah |

Cleaning (Church / Hall + Toilets)

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| 31st | Hewitt / Christine & Caroline |
| 7th | Winnie & Michele / Woodruff |
| 14th | Rigby / Barnachea |
| 21st | Keble / Snuggs |
| 28th | Mitchell & Ming / Power |

Security

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| 30th | Rex Andrews |
| 6th | Frank Barnachea |
| 13th | CJ Barnachea |
| 20th | Charlton Barnachea |
| 27th | Deacon |

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| 30th | Dawn & Barbara |
| 6th | Caroline & Beverly |
| 13th | Sarah & Debbie |
| 20th | Julia & Winnie |
| 27th | Margaret & Bev |

Refreshments

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| 30th | Christine & Debbie |
| 6th | - |
| 13th | Ann & Janette |
| 20th | Julia & Elaine |
| 27th | Dawn & Michele |

Flowers

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| 30th | Janet Tucker |
| 6th | Ann Weedon |
| 13th | Mary Coleman |
| 20th | Tess Barnachea |
| 27th | Elaine Snuggs |