



Items **highlighted in yellow** are new or have been updated

Items for the next edition of the Newsflash can be sent to newsflash@trbc.info by noon on Thursday 9th May.

Our services are live in the building from 10:30am each Sunday morning.

If you are unable to attend in person, you can watch the live stream via [our website](#)

5th May 2024

Church member, Steve Strange, will be leading our time together. Our Pastor, Jon White, will be speaking on 'Tongues and Interpretation' from 1 Corinthians 14v1-25.

12th May 2024

Our Pastor, Jon White, will be leading our time together. He will also be speaking on 'Faith, Healing and Miracle Gifts' from John 14v12-16. We will also be sharing communion together.

7pm Prayer Evening



Activities at TRBC this week:

Tuesday 7th May - 4:30pm until 6pm - Sixth Form Tuesdays @ TRBC

Tuesday 7th May - 7:30pm until 9:30pm - Leaders meeting

Wednesday 8th May - 10am until 12pm - Renew Wellbeing

Thursday 9th May - 7:30pm until 9:30pm - Worship Group

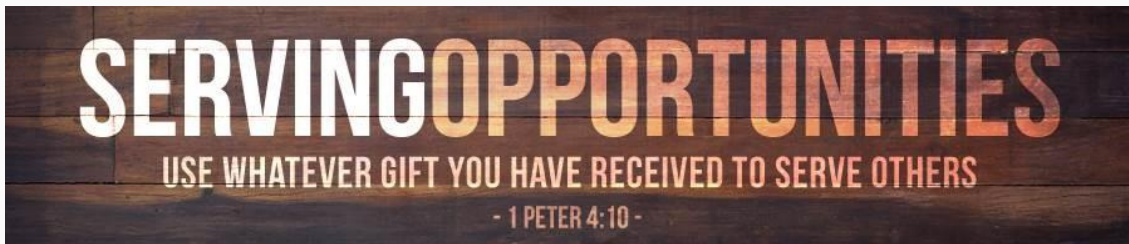


Spiritual Gifts

As part of our series looking at the Holy Spirit, we are exploring spiritual gifts. At our Sunday services during this series, you can pick up paper versions of a 'Spiritual Gifts Test' and a 'Talents & Skills Form'. These will help give you an indication of what your main spiritual gifts might be and show you in what context you could best use them.

Alternatively, if you would prefer to do these online, you can visit [Free Shape Test](#) which shows a big picture of your spiritual gifts, heart, abilities, personality and experiences.

While you are free to use these resources just for yourselves, if you were willing to share your answers with our pastor, Jon White, that would be a blessing to get to know you more and explore if there might be ways of using your gifts to build and grow God's kingdom. However please know that sharing your answers does NOT mean you have to sign up to serve in any way - that is entirely up to you!



Serving Opportunities

While all of our activities welcome more help and volunteers, these are specific areas that we currently would greatly value help with:

On Sundays:

Activity	Person to Speak to	Contact
Creche Set Up & Take Down	Jon White	jon.white@trbc.info
Chairs Set Up	Peter Rainier	peter.rainier@talktalk.net
Children's Group Helpers	Faith Aldridge	holychatter@msn.com
PA & AV Team	Jasper Harding	mediateam@trbc.info

During the Week:

Activity	Person to Speak to	Contact
Open/Lock Up for Bookings (mostly on Saturdays, but not all)	Faith Aldridge	bookings@trbc.info

We are also praying about setting up a weekly Toddler Group ('The Ark') and running an

Alpha Course later this year.

If you might be willing to help in any way with either of these initiatives, please speak to Rachel White about 'The Ark' and Jon White about Alpha.



Plant Sale

Saturday 11th May 10am until 12noon.

Postcards are now available for you to invite others to our annual plant sale. There are also a few A4 posters if you wish to advertise in your window.



Prayer evening

Our next prayer evening will be **12th May**.

The prayer evenings are on the 2nd Sunday of the month.

The prayer space will be open from 7pm until 8:30pm. There will also be a prayer meeting at 7:45pm. The prayer room upstairs is also open.

Everyone is welcome to come to part or all of the evening.

If anyone wants to come and needs a lift, please let Pastor Jon know.

Prayer & Praise Evening

Our next prayer & praise evening will be on **Sunday 26th May**.

7:30pm until 8:30pm

There will be times of praise amongst our time of prayer. The prayer room will also be open.



'Isn't Everyone Going to Heaven Anyway?'

A Seminar with Rev. Dr. Stephen Finamore, President of Baptists Together

Saturday 8th June at 2pm

At Trafalgar Road Baptist Church

In this seminar, Stephen will be exploring how Christians might respond to questions such as:

- Can't I just live a good life?
- Isn't Christianity all about love?
- Does Jesus' sacrifice mean that everyone is saved?

Drawing on his extensive work on the Apostle Paul and particularly his letter to the Romans, Stephen will unpack this subject, often called 'universalism', in a way that will help us better understand the Good News of Jesus. This seminar will encourage the church in being a people who reach out to those who need to hear the message of Christianity.

There will also be a short interview about how Stephen sees his role as newly-elected President of Baptists Together and time for Q&A about the whole seminar. Stephen will also be preaching at TRBC the following morning.

Stephen Finamore was Principal of Bristol Baptist College for 17 years and is now Principal Emeritus. Steve has been a lawyer, led a community development project in inner London and worked for a rural development project in the Andes of northern Peru. He trained for Ministry and read theology in Oxford, and was pastor of Westbury-on-Trym Baptist Church. He has been elected to serve as President of Baptists Together for 2024–25. Stephen has written a number of books, and his short commentary on Romans is available free from the [Bible Reading Fellowship](#).

For those in Horsham, he also attended Collyer's College in his late teens!



Prayer room

Meeting Room 2 (blue room) upstairs in the church building
has been turned into a prayer room.

If you have a key, or can come with someone who does,
you can use it at any time you wish.

If you don't have access, please contact our administrator Faith (details at the bottom of
this email) and she will let you know when it's available.



First Aiders

Are you first aid trained? If you are and might be willing to be a named first aider at the
church, please speak to June Duplock.



Ray Amey's review for May to July 2024 is now available to read [here](#).



Our Vision Statement

At this church, we feel called:

**'To be a God-centred and family-focused community
that helps everyone meet Jesus'**

Draft Values

Following the January church meeting, our values have been updated and can be viewed [here](#).

There is a display board in the church with further information, and paper copies of the above document that you can take.

MEMBERS MEETING

Headlines

Church meeting headlines - Sunday 17th March 2024

Church members should have received a copy of the minutes from the last church meeting. If you haven't, please speak to Faith (printed copies will be given out on Sunday).

Below is a summary of the key headlines from the meeting:

Any other items in the meeting are covered elsewhere in the newsflash.

- The AGM, held at the beginning of the meeting, included reports on Safeguarding and Health & Safety, the Annual & Financial Reports for 2023, the appointment of our auditors and the affirming of all church policies, which can be viewed on [our website](#).
- BMS update - The leaders are currently looking at names of people we can support through BMS.
- Finance update - Our standing orders have increased but church hire is still below the pre-pandemic level. There was also a discussion regarding reinstating the offering bags during the service.
- Kevin and Betty Cleminson were voted into church membership.
- Feedback was given from the True Freedom Trust Seminar.
- 3 new missions were brought to the members - Hope Now, Open Doors, and Good News for Everyone (formerly Gideons). Please fill in this [ballot sheet](#) to have your say on which of these missions, if any, we should hear from during a Sunday service. We will need champions for each, if we are to support them.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 19th June at 7:30pm.



The Fellowship Fund

As a church we have some money set aside, which is given to those in financial need at the discretion of Pastor Jon and is confidential. If you are aware of a situation, which the Fellowship Fund could help, please speak to Pastor Jon directly.

You can also give money to be used specifically for the Fellowship Fund. You can put money in the offering, in an envelope clearly marked 'Fellowship Fund' and we will make sure it is used only for that purpose.



If you have any prayer requests to go onto the prayer chain, please email them straight to prayer@trbc.info. Please do not email them to anyone else.

If you want to start receiving prayer chain emails, please send an email to the same email address above and put 'Subscribe' in the subject line.



HCT notices

Each week we receive notices from Horsham Churches Together. You can find this week's notices in the [link here](#). This week they include:

News:

- Stewards needed for the Watoto Choir concert
- Horsham Men in Sheds' Newsletter Spring 2024
- The Bereavement Journey, a place to talk
- Faith Security Training Project

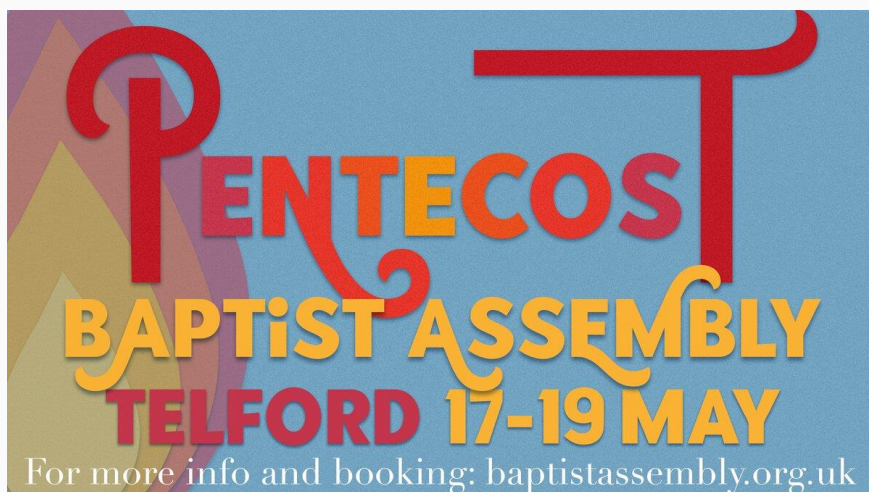
- Bric-a-Brac donations needed by Horsham Matters
- Horsham District Foodbank - 10th Anniversary
- Horsham Community Fridge 2024 Calendar

Events:

- Wednesday 8th May: The Heart of Communication with Rob Parsons
- Friday 10th May: HDAS quiz night
- Tuesday 14th May: "Jesus died to save the planet", online session
- **Tuesday 21st May: Dementia Information and Support Day at URC**
- Friday 7th June: Horsham Matters Charity Golf Day
- Saturday 8th June: Oasis quiz night
- 18th - 22nd June: The Life of Christ 2024 at Wintershall
- Sunday 30th June: The Winton Bournemouth Salvation Army Band & Timbrels
- Saturday 6th July: Women together conference & Saturday 20th July Men together conference
- Sunday 21st July: HCT Worship & Prayer
- Saturday 14th September: Philippa Hanna 'Stained Glass Stories Tour'

Volunteering Opportunities:

- Horsham Matters - Trustee & Drivers
- HDAS - 2 additional Trustees



Baptist Assembly 2024

17th-19th May

Baptist Assembly 2024 is over Pentecost weekend and will be a wonderful opportunity to be filled afresh with the gift of the Holy Spirit. We will dwell on the words of Acts 2 throughout and prayer will be central. Friends from across the Baptist family will be joining us for what is hoped to be a genuine, contemporary Pentecost for Baptists Together. Our General Secretary Lynn Green will be our Keynote Speaker who says, ***'For me there is an expectation this will be a special and holy space and you won't want to miss out'***.

Further information can be found at the [Baptist Together website](#).



News from the Association

Each month we receive details from across SEBA, updating us on news from the SEBA Team, from the Sector Ministers and news from the Networks (we are part of the Gatwick Network). Each section is full of news and prayer items. Please click on the links below to find out what they have to share.

[News from the Team](#) - [News from our Sector Ministers](#) - [News from the Networks](#)



Volunteers for Holiday at Home @ Brighton Road Baptist Church

BRBC are looking for volunteers to help with their Holiday at Home on Tuesday 20th, Thursday 22nd and Friday 23rd August.

They are looking for help in the following areas:

- Catering - Lunch team & Refreshments team (morning and afternoon)
- Cake making prior to event
- Craft activities
- Transport
- Chatting/befriending
- Setting up and Setting down
- Planning HaH2024

For more information, or to volunteer, please email michael.hogg@brbc-horsham.org.uk



Proposal for speed change in Trafalgar area

A Speedwatch team was set up a couple of years ago by residents who were concerned at the frequent accidents in the area. They, along with Trafalgar Neighbourhood Council, are working on a proposal to introduce a 20mph speed limit in the Trafalgar area.

The proposal can only progress if the Neighbourhood Council receives enough feedback from residents. Residents are asked to take a few minutes to read [the proposal](#) and email their views to 20intrafalgar@gmail.com and to spread the word to other local residents. In the email they should state whether they are a Trafalgar resident or visit the area regularly eg taking children to school, attending church services and events.

Heritage Afternoon Cream Tea

With homemade cakes and scones, and choral entertainment from Trinity Church Players.

Saturday 9th June

Holy Trinity Church

£10 a head including a guided tour of the beautiful Victorian church and grounds

2 sittings: 2pm tea and entertainment, followed by the tour at 3:15pm

or: 2:15pm tour followed by tea and entertainment at 3:30pm

Book at the [Horsham Team Parish website](#)

Monies raised will go towards the upkeep of Holy Trinity Church and gardens



If you need to contact our Pastor, Jon White, his number is 07513 821549 or email jon.white@trbc.info (please note his day off is Saturday).

If you want to send an email to all the leaders, please send it to leaders@trbc.info and all the leaders will receive your email.

The Church Office number is 01403 240729.

If you need to contact Faith, our administrator, you can send an email to admin@trbc.info

Devote yourselves to prayer,
being watchful and thankful.

Colossians 4v2



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