## Weekly updates from TRBC

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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

## 21st September 2025

Church member, Trevor Tilley, will be leading our time together.

Pastor Emmanuel Mbennah, TeachBeyond National Director for Tanzania, will be speaking on 'Walking in God's heartbeat for his children' from Luke 15v11-32.

It will be followed by our bring and share lunch and church members meeting.

## 28th September 2025

Our Pastor, Jon White, will be leading our time together.

Our mission focus will be on the work of TeachBeyond
and we will be hearing testimonies from members of the team.

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## **Pre-Service Prayer**

Each week, all are invited to come and pray over our time together before the Sunday Gathering from 9:45 in the Prayer Room (upstairs in the Blue Room).

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**Church Members Meeting** on **Sunday 21st September** at 1:30pm (following the service and bring and share lunch) for all church members.

Members should have received information about the meeting. If you haven't, please get in touch with <u>Faith</u>.

If you can't attend the meeting in person, you can join via Teams.

Visit <a href="mailto:trbc.info/meeting">trbc.info/meeting</a> for details on how to log on.

Anyone who regularly attends services is welcome to attend, even if you aren't a member (but only members can vote).



#### Activities at TRBC this week:

Monday 22nd September - 7:15pm until 9pm - Trafalgar Community Choir
Wednesday 24th September - 10am until 12pm - Renew Café
Thursday 25th September - 7:30pm until 9:30pm - Worship Group
Friday 26th September - 7:30pm until 9pm - Friday youth

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## Collyer's Small Group

Our Student Small Group, known as Tuesdays at TRBC and usually on Tuesdays 4:30pm - 6pm, is looking for, at least, one more leader to help with the group. If you are interested in helping please speak to Pastor Jon.



**My Testimony** 

If you can testify of how God is moving in your life, we would love to hear about it. Speak to your small group leader or email <a href="mailto:jon.white@trbc.info">jon.white@trbc.info</a>

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## **Message from Pastor Jon**

Thank you to all who prayed as part of the Global 24/7 Week of Prayer.

24/7 Prayer reported that there were 2175 prayer rooms in 132 nations equating to hundreds of thousands of hours of prayer. And we were part of that!

If you took part, please email me with any feedback, highlights or what you felt God might have been saying during the time.

And please keep enjoying your prayer life. Let's be known as a church that prays.



Praise & Prayer points for this week...

**Mon 22nd:** Let's thank the Lord for Pastor Emmanuel (he preached yesterday in church) & pray the Lord will use him to spread the ministry of Teach Beyond to more churches across Tanzania.

**Tue 23rd:** Give thanks for Horsham Churches Together and the Worship & Prayer evening last Sunday at Kingdom Faith. Pray that we will continue to see souls saved & see His Kingdom come more & more in our town!

Wed 24th: Give thanks for the great encouragement Renew Cafe is to many who come.

**Thur 25th:** Thank the Lord for the huge blessing He has caused Alpha to be in our church & in a multitude of nations & pray that by His grace it will continue.

**Fri 26th:** Pray that our young people will continue to be blessed & encouraged as they learn more & more about Jesus & what we believe.

**Sat 27th:** Ask the Lord to teach us & increase our faith as we meet to worship Him tomorrow.



## **Prayer & Praise Evening**

Our next prayer & praise evening will be on **Sunday 28th September**.
7:30pm until 8:30pm in the prayer room

A time of worship with music and singing interspersed with times of prayer and waiting on the Lord.

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## Seek first prayer evening

Our next seek first prayer evening will be 12th October.

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

We will be meeting from 7:30pm until 8:30pm in the prayer room upstairs.

A time of prayer together where our intention is to seek after God as we 'seek first his kingdom and his righteousness' (Matthew 6v33)

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Quiz Night and Puddings @ TRBC

Date: TONIGHT! Time: 7pm

Come and join us for a church family fun quiz night.

There will be desserts served during a mid-quiz break, along with tea and coffee.

Soft drinks will also be available during the evening

Bring your family and friends to make up a quiz team (suggested team size - 6 (+/- 2))

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Volunteer sign-up

We hope to run lots of different events at TRBC but to do this we need your help! We would love to have a 'bank' of volunteers who we can call upon to help at different events at TRBC. This doesn't commit you to every event, but helps us to know who to ask! Feel free to tick more than one!

You can either fill in the form <u>online here</u>, or fill in the paper copy, which is available on the Information Table on Sundays.

# Renew Wellbeing

"An end to isolation and better mental health for all."

#### Renew Café

You are welcome to join us to share in a chat, a cuppa and perhaps something creative (bring something you are working on or join in with something on offer in the session) or play games, along with a space for prayer.

Every Wednesday 10-12noon.

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The Welcome — Cake, Tea and a Chat

This takes place on the third Thursday of each month, with the next on **16th October**, 2:30pm until 4:30pm

All are welcome

## Invite your friends along

Why not carry an invitation in your pocket for that person you just happen to meet who might just love some company - and cake!!

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## **Mission Sunday Offering**

On **Sunday 28th September** our Mission Sunday Focus will be on the work of TeachBeyond. All the money given in the offering on this date (unless marked otherwise) will go towards the work of TeachBeyond.

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## **Open Doors petition**

Open Doors is a charity that we support, as a church, and they have sent through a petition, asking for signatures.

Arise Africa Petition: Stop the Violence. Start the Healing.

16.2 million Christians in sub-Saharan Africa are displaced by violence and conflict.

Christian leaders across sub-Saharan Africa are calling on the global church to stand with them against violent persecution. The petition to local governments, the EU and the UN, asking for:

**Protection**: providing robust protection from violent militant attacks.

**Justice**: ensuring justice through fair prosecutions of the attackers.

**Restoration**: bringing healing and restoration to all affected communities.

The petition is available on the information table on Sundays, or speak to Faith when you're next in the building.

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## Link to Hope - Update items most needed

At the end of July, Kay launched this year's shoebox appeal for Link to Hope.

There is a box in the Gathering Space to receive items, including shoeboxes. A <u>list of items</u> suggests the most useful items for the boxes, but other small gifts can be included.

## The items we are most in need of are:

- Individually wrapped soap
- Flannels
- Notebooks/small colouring books
- Small candles or tea lights in holders
- Combs/hairbrushes
- Sweets (June 2026 or after)
- Small games

Knitted and crocheted items are always well received, and we have patterns and wool for anyone who would like to make something. (We can send knitted toys containing stuffing, but they have to go separately and not in the shoebox due to customs controls. They still get given out and are much loved.)

During October we will be packing boxes and there will be opportunities to help with that.

We will let you know dates nearer the time.

#### Thank yous

We have received two 'thank you' letters from charities that we have recently given money to.

- Embrace the Middle East. This is the tithe from this year's gift day.
- <u>St Catherine's Hospice</u>. This is some money that was left over from our previous Café Connect sessions, which we no longer run.

You can either click the link to read the thank yous or you can view them on the mission board at the back of the hall.

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#### Mission, Vision & Values

Our **Mission** is the Biblical mandate that never changes and is expressed in our mission statement as:

'Following Jesus. Serving our Community'

#### Vision

In September 2022 we started a journey looking at the vision of the church. For 12 months we had various meetings, times of prayer and conversations on what the vision is for TRBC.

After this time, the church felt we were being called:

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

You can read more about our journey to this vision by reading our Vision Booklet.

#### **Values**

Following our agreement on our Vision, we went on a journey to look at the values of the church. We looked at who we are and spent time in prayer and meetings looking at what our core values are.

In June 2025, the church felt that we are to value:

## Welcoming

We believe that God welcomes people into His arms
We want everyone to feel welcomed when they are with us

## Caring

We believe in a caring God
We want to show care for people and the world

#### Listening

We believe that God listens to us when we call on Him We want to listen well to God and to people

#### Sharing

We believe in a generous God who shares His love and resources with us We want to share life, faith and Jesus with people in a generous way

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## **HCT** notices

Each week we receive notices from Horsham Churches Together. You can find this week's notices in the <u>link here</u>. This week they include:

#### News:

- Ministry Updates
- Alpha in the Autumn
- 'The Bereavement Journey' in the Autumn
- Disability awareness Sunday

#### **Harvest Appeals:**

- Horsham Matters: Celebrating the Season of Giving
- Turning Tides Harvest Food Appeal

#### **Events:**

- Sunday 21st September: HCT Prayer & Praise
- Saturday 27th September: Brew it fair
- Saturday 27th September: Glorious food, glorious planet (Vegan fest, Apple day & Sussex Green Hub)
- Friday 10th October: Community Anti-racism conference
- Saturday 11th October: The Oasis 'Quiz of all Quizzes'
- Thursday 16th October: RISE: event for women hosted at Dalesdown
- Thursday 18th October: HDAS Charity quiz night
- Advance notice of HCT events

Prayer of the week: Worship & Prayer - September 2025

## **Employment opportunities:**

- Turning Tides: Project workers
- Turning Tides: Senior Project worker
- TeachBeyond: Part-time bookkeeper and office administrator
- Horsham Matters: Part-time Catering & Administration Role

# **Volunteering Opportunities:**

- Horsham Matters
- Dalesdown maintenance

- YMCA DownsLink Group: Volunteer Chaplains
- Trustees required at The Oasis

#### Please note:

Whilst HCT carefully chooses these events and notices because they hope they will be useful to you and your church family, they are not directly responsible for the content from external groups and organisations.





**Trinity Church Players are recruiting** 

Why not join the Trinity Church Players for their 2026 pantomime, Binderella?

Lots of parts of all sizes (on and off stage)
Relaxed atmosphere
Open to anyone over the age of 15
No auditions if they can help it

Rehearsals every Monday, with performances on the 20th and 21st February.

Email for more information.

#### Faith talk seminar

## **Sunday 21st September**

6pm until 8pm

Led by Rev. Andy Twilley, SEBA Regional Minister, at West Worthing Baptist Church, South St, Worthing, BN14 7LU

This seminar is designed to help people talk openly with fellow Christians about faith recognising that as we do this, we develop a naturalness in talking to others about our faith.

Please join in for what is sure to be an enjoyable and informative evening, one which could transform us as church and as disciples of Jesus.

For more information, or to book your place, contact <u>Clive Latter</u>.

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# Dalesdown Open Day Wednesday 8th October

10am until 1pm

The day will include a chance to view their facilities, experience the beautiful setting and views, and discuss how they might be able to host any forthcoming events you might be planning.

Presentations will run at 10:30am and 12pm; Guided tours at 11am and 12:30pm

Refreshments will be provided.

Tickets are free but please email to book your place

#### **Harvest Barn Dance**

# Saturday 11th October

6pm - 10pm At Holy Trinity Church

Tickets £15 - includes Ploughman's Supper
(Children under 12 are free)
Raffle
Please bring your own drinks

Tickets are available on <u>their website</u>, or through the HCT office (open Thursdays 9:30am-11:30am) or you can <u>email</u>.

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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 email all the leaders, please send it to <a href="leaders@trbc.info">leaders@trbc.info</a> and all the leaders will receive your email.

The Church Office number is 01403 240729.

If you need to contact Faith, our administrator, email <a href="mailto:admin@trbc.info">admin@trbc.info</a>

If you need to contact Emily, our housekeeper, email <a href="mailto:housekeeper@trbc.info">housekeeper@trbc.info</a>.

Her working hours are Monday and Friday 9:30am until 2:30pm.

If you have any safeguarding concerns, you can contact Rachel White, our Designated Person for Safeguarding, via email at <a href="mailto:safeguarding@trbc.info">safeguarding@trbc.info</a> or by contacting our safeguarding leader, Kay Chesters, via email at <a href="mailto:kay.chesters@trbc.info">kay.chesters@trbc.info</a>

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The LORD is my light and my salvation— whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life— of whom shall I be afraid?

Psalm 27v1

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