

### Congratulations

Go to Oliver & Adam France who have both achieved the highest Scout Award given to Scouts. For their Gold Scout Award they had to pass 8 out of 9 Challenge Badges. Why not ask them what they had to do to achieve this...well done boys

### CARING FOR GOD'S EARTH

We all hate litter! But a box full of empty plastic milk bottles is not litter; it can be turned into a rot-proof public bench. A bin full of empty glass containers is not litter; it can be turned into new bottles. We all sort rubbish at home so please help at Church too. If you no longer want the hymn sheet, or Pews News, put them in paper recycling bin in the vestry Be God's little helpers; sort it out!

**Diary Note:** Please note that David Hird (584264) will have the Church Diary from 6 May until 21 May whilst the present incumbent is in the Bonnie-land

### Bring and Buy Sale

(In aid of the Over 70's party)

**When:** Tuesday 17th May

**Time:** 10:00am to 2:00pm

**Stalls:** Cakes, books, DVD's, CD's, toys, gifts & toiletries, plants, yellow colour stall

**Cost:** £0.80 including refreshments [Admission]

### YOUR Bring and Buy Sale NEEDS YOU!

Helpers are needed on the day

Contributions to **all** stalls to be left in the cloak-room

**Organiser:** Lynn Yarde 590371



### Useful Contacts:

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### Services for Next Sunday

10 am Rev Roger Hutchings  
Church Anniversary  
Communion

6 pm Rev Roger Hutchings

If you are here today for the first time, we offer you a warm welcome. Please stay and have a coffee after the service. If you would like to know more about what goes on, please fill in your details below and hand it to one of the stewards. Somebody will then be in touch with you.

Name.....

Address.....

Tel Number/Email.....



Baildon  
Methodist  
Church

# Today's Worship

9am Rev Alistair Newton  
Communion

10am Rev Alistair Newton  
Family Parade

6pm Rev Alistair Newton  
CTiB Christian Aid Service  
Followed by refreshments  
Packs for Christian Aid Week will be available



### Ministry of Flowers

The flowers are a gift from Hazel Davey in memory of Stephen's 80th birthday and their 55th Wedding Anniversary AND

From Audrey Sutcliffe in loving memory of her dear Mum and husband Roy

### Lectionary Readings for the Week

Luke 24:13-35 I Peter 1:17-23

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19



Sunday  
May 8th



## Prayer of the Week

Lord God of liberty, whose promises are the keys to unlock every imprisoning bolt, please teach us by your word, and grant us faith to believe what we read – faith enough to live as if your promises were true, though Jesus. Amen.



**Christian Aid Week 15 – 21 May 2011**

### What's On This Week

#### SUNDAY 8th

3:00pm Circuit Easter Offering Service, Led by Rev Joy Rulton, Calverley MC

#### MONDAY 9th

1:30pm Cell Group

7:30pm The Prayer Group

#### WEDNESDAY 11th

10am "As We Are" Susan Hinchcliffe 'A Day in the Life of the Daily Telegraph'

10am WY Womens Network Event—Check website

#### THURSDAY 12th

1.30pm The Thursday Cell Group re-commences after the Easter break.

#### FRIDAY 13th

7:00pm Mens Supper Club, Training as a Salvation Army Officer in the 1950's

Thank you to all of you who have been stalwart supporters of Christian Aid over the past years and have decided that the time has now come to hang up your collecting boots. For those who are continuing or are newcomers to this valuable and rewarding work your efforts are much appreciated.

There will be a **Christian Aid service at Baildon Methodist Church on Sunday 8th May at 6pm** when the envelopes and material for the collectors will be available during coffee after the service. Please make every effort to attend but if you are unable to do so I will be making deliveries of the material during the following week.

Also if you would return the envelopes on Sunday morning the 22nd of May I will be at the front of Church to receive them. I have to transfer the collection envelopes to the treasurers by the end of the following week so I will need to collect from you any unreturned bags as soon after the 21st May.

Best wishes

Stuart Moorhouse



### **The Future Building Group [FBG] Wants To Know Your Ideas About Our Premises!**

The FBG has been set up by the Church Council to review whether our buildings are fit for the 21st century. Do our buildings:

- ◇ Meet the future needs of the church and wider Community?
- ◇ Adequately reflect our mission and priorities?
- ◇ Show, in a practical way, our commitments to the environment, as befits an Eco-Congregation?

These are some of the sorts of questions we, in the FBG, have been asked to consider. We hope you will share your thoughts with us. You will find that a "graffiti board" has been set up in Wesleys.

Q: What do you value about our premises?

Q: What changes would you like to see?

Please encourage all your friends who attend church, or use our facilities during the week, to take part in this consultation, which will be open until Monday 9th May.

### **A THEATRE AND SUPPER EVENING**

An evening's entertainment on the theme of "Relationships"

**When:** Saturday, 28th May, 2011

**Time:** 7.30pm

**Cost:** £10 (including a 2 course supper)

**From:** 01274 583901 or members of WDG.

### **The Fairfax Singers**

#### **Concert for Phakamisa.**

**When:** Saturday 14th May

**Time:** 7.30pm

**Where:** Christchurch, Ilkley

**Cost:** £8, includes refreshments

**From:** Ann Clark or at Christchurch Cafe.

### **CHURCH FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

	<b>April 2011</b>	<b>8 mths to Date</b>
Total receipts (mainly Collections)	£ 11,136	£ 54,935
Total Payments (e.g. ministry, utilities, repairs, capital works)	£ 3,845	£ 65,954
<b>Overall Surplus / Deficit</b>	<b>£ 7,291</b>	<b>£ 11,019</b>

Although the month of April was good, with significant income from Collections, Room Lettings, and Catering, the above summary shows that our giving by standing orders, envelopes, and through the collection plate for the year to date do not cover the costs.

- ◇ It costs £ 1,200+ / wk just to keep the building running, taking into account caretaking & cleaning, heating & lighting, repairs and upgrades.
- ◇ Ministry and other costs are another £1,700 per week.
- ◇ Over the year, Collections & Gift-Aid Tax average £1,521 per week, whilst other income, mainly from Room Lettings and Catering average £835 per week.
- ◇ An overall shortfall of around £560 per week.

We survive by reducing our reserve funds, but that can only continue for a limited period of time. We all need to increase our giving if we want our Church to continue to function well! The pensioners among us have just received notification of an increase in our state pensions of around 4.5%. Our ability to give to the Church depends on our individual circumstances, and priorities, but we need to consider increasing our giving to the Church by at least a similar proportion. Many people aim to give the biblical "tithes" or 10% of their income, although some split this between the church and other charities. Food for thought! More details are on the notice board in Wesleys.

Regards Jim Parrish, Church Treasurer (tel 424446)