

Pilgrimage to Phakamisa.

I have been asked to organise and lead a small group on a 10 day visit (excluding travel) to Phakamisa with pilgrimage and fellowship being features of our time away. I am planning departure from the UK on Sunday 23rd October arriving at Durban airport late afternoon Monday 24th October. The convent at Tre Fontane would be our base, our accommodation there would be within the self contained house, bed, breakfast and most evening meals partaken within the convent's guest house dining room. The beautiful grounds and pool at Tre Fontane offer guests an opportunity to walk, swim and relax within a peaceful and safe environment.

Glenda will be planning the Phakamisa part of the programme with our first three days spent involved in the project. A two night, three day trip up the coast to St Lucia (subtropical climate, wide beaches, wildlife, known as the Elephane Coast) and a day at the Hluhluwe Umfolozi Game reserve is planned for our first weekend, returning back to Durban in time for evening service at Pinetown Methodist church on the Sunday. The second part of our time at Phakamisa will again be planned by Glenda, and will include visiting some of the satellite projects at Pietermaritzburg or Nyangwini and an outing to the beach (for either children or the elderly).

During our time in South Africa we will be driven by BFT Gumede (one of the Phakamisa staff members) who holds an advanced drivers licence, and there will be time for visiting local places of interest.

After our 10 day Phakamisa Experience we depart for the UK on Friday 4th November late afternoon and return home approx 24 hours later.

If you feel that this pilgrimage to Phakamisa is something that you are interested in and would like to be part of, please contact me as soon as possible for further details and costings. Thank you. Ann Clark – annclark100@yahoo.co.uk. Tel: 07917 867600.

*If you would like something on next week's Pews News, please will you let me know by Tuesday evening. Thank you.
Tel 597170 or ros.crosland@yahoo.co.uk*

Services next Sunday

9am Rev Alistair Newton
10am Rev Alistair Newton
6pm "Reflections on Lent"

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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.....



Pews News



Baildon
Methodist
Church

Sunday April 3rd

2011

The fourth Sunday in Lent

Today's Worship

10am Mr John Anderson

Adventurers stay in their own groups throughout the service. There is a crèche for babies and toddlers.

6pm Rev Stella Hayton



Ministry of Flowers

The flowers in our Church today are a gift from Ros Crosland in loving memory of her Mum, Barbara, on Mothering Sunday.



Lectionary Readings for the Week

John 9:I-4I I Samuel 16:I-13

Ephesians 5:8-14

Psalm 23



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Join us!

Prayer of the Week

Dear Lord who can see the way ahead, please guide my next step in this difficult situation, that I may progress on the path you have chosen for me.
Amen



REQUEST FOR PRAYER

At the request of the Circuit Meeting, a small Strategy Group has been formed and begun its work. The issues that the Strategy Group needs to address are many. Your continued prayers for the work of this group are welcomed.

What's On This Week

MONDAY 4th

1.30pm The Monday Cell Groups meet.
7:30pm The Prayer Group meets in Room 2. All welcome.

TUESDAY 5th

7.30pm Lent Study "Respect and Reverence"

WEDNESDAY 6th

10am 'As We Are' Womens Discussion Group
Lucy Madden— "The New Link."
2pm Cameo - Mrs Mary Twentyman—"A Grand Day Out"

SATURDAY 9th

7.30pm The Aire Valley Singers will present "Requiem" by John Rutter and Stainer's "Crucifixion" at St Paul's Church, Kirkgate, Shipley.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR RUNNERS!

On Thursday 30th March I began my 3 day run from Ilkley to Lake Windermere (75 miles) to raise money to aid Japan following the devastating earthquake and tsunami. At time of press I am busy preparing for my marathon event - and am really thankful to the offers of sponsors that I've received from the Baildon Church Family. I'll update you on how I went on in next weeks Pews News.
Thanks a lot .

Ellis (18 year old son of Andrew and Ann Clark)

Jim Parrish runs London again for MRDF

Friends,

I will be grateful if you will sponsor my run in this year's London Marathon on Sunday, 17th April, 2011, when again I am raising money for MRDF.

You can donate on-line by visiting www.justgiving.com/james-parrish (don't forget to gift-aid your donation, if you are a UK tax payer), or I would be happy to receive cheques

(payable to MRDF), or even cash (of course I'll pass it to MRDF)! - please fill in your details in the Sponsorship Form on the notice board in Wesleys, and guess my finishing time - for a small prize! Very many thanks for your help. God bless you.

Jim Parrish, 15, Heaton Close, Baildon, Shipley, West Yorkshire, BD17 5PL

The **ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING** will take place after the morning service on Sunday April 17th.

MORE WEBSITE WONDERS

Several folk have already donated to the Church through the website. Do try it - it's so easy. Of course, the Treasurer is still pleased to receive cheque or cash donations in person - do try it - it's so easy! Many thanks for your continuing generosity. *Jim*

Members of **WROSE METHODIST CHURCH** are raising money for refurbishment. There is a list of fund raising events on the church notice board. They welcome Support from other members of our circuit.

HALIFAX LONG MARCH Easter Sunday, 24 April 2011

This is the 46th annual sponsored night hike.. The 13.1-mile or 26.2-mile walk brings more than 200 people together to complete this secret route. The money raised supports communities across the world lift themselves out of poverty through Christian Aid. Register to take part NOW: www.longmarch.org.uk or email: wendy.bentley@longmarch.org.uk



OWN ARRANGEMENT SERVICE—Sun 10th April

We are planning an informal service at 6pm on April 10th. We want to share thoughts and experiences about Lent. Ann Clark will talk about her calling to work for Phakamisa, and the "Phakamisa Lent Giving" leaflet. There will be music, prayers, and refreshments (Hot cross buns, tea and coffee). If you can contribute anything to the service—a favourite reading, poem, or perhaps talk about what you give up for Lent and why, then please have a word with Ros Crosland asap. Thank you.

WRITTEN FOR MUM— By Mary Rita Schilke Korzan

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you hang my first painting on the refrigerator, and I wanted to paint another one.
When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you feed a stray cat, and I thought it was good to be kind to animals.
When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you make my favourite cake for me, and I knew that little things are special things.
When you thought I wasn't looking, I heard you say a prayer, and I believed there is a God I could always talk to.
When you thought I wasn't looking, I felt you kiss me goodnight, and I felt loved.
When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw tears come from your eyes, and I learned that sometimes things hurt, but it's all right to cry.
When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw that you cared and I wanted to be everything that I could be.
When you thought I wasn't looking, I looked...
and wanted to say thanks for all the things I saw when you thought I wasn't looking.