

Sunday morning text and Sermon

"The Message unveiled" – megathemes through the Bible

Being aware of God's presence

- God is everywhere - Psalm 139: 7, 8, Genesis 28: 16
- We were created to enjoy God's presence
- God reveals Himself to those who seek Him earnestly. Deut 4: 29
- The experience of God's presence in the O.T.

Exodus 33: 12 The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

Tabernacle ... Ark of God ... Temple ... Promise

- Jesus – God with us Matthew 1: 23 "and they will call him Immanuel"
- which means, "God with us."
- Holy Spirit – God's indwelling presence John 14: 16, 17
- Hope of heaven – basking in the presence of God. Rev 21: 3

What would it look like to live like this?

- To know God's love & holiness James 4: 8
- To be empowered & to be His witnesses Acts 1: 8
- To be transformed 2 Cor 3: 17-18

What is meant by the manifest presence of God?

How can we prepare our hearts to enter God's presence?

- Seek forgiveness
- Make space
- Thanksgiving
- Praise
- Worship
- Prayer
- Expectation

Questions for further study on this passage are on the church website
www.testwoodbaptist.org

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Your response

Please fill in, tick as appropriate, tear off & place in the offering bags or take to the Welcome Desk.

Name

Address

Telephone

Email

- More about what this church is all about
- Children's or youth activities
- Small groups that meet midweek
- Courses that explore the Christian faith (Alpha/Journeys)



Sun 1st Nov

Welcome to Testwood Baptist Church

This morning

It's good to welcome you to Testwood as we come to meet with God & with each other. Janice Tuck will be continuing the series "The message unveiled" later in the service speaking about the presence of God. There is crèche provision & children & young people's groups for 3 – 14s. Please stay for a coffee after the service. Please let us know whether there are specific needs we can help with (e.g. a large print version of this newsletter.) A Welcome Pack is available at the Welcome Desk if you're new to church, and someone will be there to answer any questions. There will be sports for adults & young people year 4 and above in the Sports Hall after the service.

Tonight at 6pm

This evening at 6p.m. at the communion & healing service Gordon Tuck will be speaking on Hebrews 4: 11 in our series "Make every effort". There will be opportunity to receive prayer for healing.

Welcome evening

We regularly hold "Welcome evenings" for people who've recently started attending TBC. The next one is on Friday, Nov 20th in The Hub at 7: 30. If this applies to you - invitations are at the Welcome Desk – please let us know if you can come.

Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box Appeal

Its shoebox time again. If you would like to fill a shoebox with small gifts for a child in a 3rd world country there are leaflets at the back of the church explaining exactly what to do. There are also a few shoeboxes if you do not have one.

If you are unable to fill a box but would like to help, you could either put a gift in the basket at the back of the church or make a donation to help with transporting the boxes abroad. Please speak to Sandy Chance if you need any help.

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Pantomime - Robin Hood

Saltmine theatre company are putting on the pantomime Robin Hood here, at the church, on Sunday 10th January 2010. Tickets can now be obtained from the welcome desk in reception. Cost £5 or £15 for a family. There are a limited number of tickets and this event will be very popular. Please get your tickets before 1st December as they will then be offered to local schools etc. Act early or miss out!

“GET BACK IN THE GAME”

Men's Day Conference at TBC Saturday 7th November, from 8.00am AM session + Hot Lunch + PM session, or just either session with lunch, you decide!!!

Speaker: Ian Hayes- Anderson

Just £5 for all or part of the day including hot lunch

Names and £5 to Men's Ministry team asap. Don't delay!!

Healing on the Streets (HOTS) Training

Regional HOTS training with Mark Marx and a team from Causeway Coast Vineyard will take place at Christ Church Winchester in November Fri 20th (7.30pm) - Sat 21st Nov (9.30am onwards)

With a healing/equipping service 7pm Sun 22nd.

Registration for this training is required.

If you are interested in the training or any part of this ministry please speak to Richard Eyles in the first instance.

Thank you

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Climate Justice: What would Jesus say at the Copenhagen summit?

Speaker: Professor Sir John Houghton.

Tuesday 10 November 7.30p.m.

St. Johns Church, Leigh Road, Wimborne.

Free admission (retiring collection). An information leaflet on church notice board or contact Hev Brider

Reminder

Copies of Ian Coffey's book "Working it out" are on the bookstall.

Dates for your diary

November

- Sat 7th Men's day conference at TBC "Get back in the game"
- Sat 7th Note. The regular monthly Prayer breakfast is cancelled
- Mon 16th Men United – worship event
- Fri 20th (also Sat 21st) Healing on the streets training
- Sat 21st Christmas Craft night

December

- Sat 5th Prayer breakfast

Christmas craft evening: Sat Nov 21st

Sorry – all the tickets have gone! We'll try and increase the capacity next year.

The TBC directory format is changing to enable individual photographs to be added.

If you wish your photo to be added contact John Elkins. The photo will be cropped and resized to just over a cm big.

Email JohnE@Testwoodbaptist.org

Men United

Monday 16th November, 7.30pm, at Testwood Baptist Church .

Probably the most Spirit rising worship event this year. Come and enjoy a time of praise and worship with men from all denominations.

NEW WINE 2010 – UNSTOPPABLE

1st – 7th August; Royal Bath & West Showground, Shepton Mallet, Somerset

Thought about coming to New Wine this year? Experience wonderful worship, teaching, fellowship and fantastic kids work. On top of all that you can catch something of the vision for our church 'out there' in our community as outlined by Gordon at the AGM.

If you want to know more before committing yourself, please talk to Richard or Ursula Eyles Tel No: 023 8063 5586 or Mob: 07894 117251 (Richard) or 07894 117250 (Ursula); email ru.eyles@tiscali.co.uk.

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(For regular attenders at church)

Please update the directory with the following details

Feedback/comments/prayer requests