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| ***Fun with ‘I’m a teenager get me out of here’!!***  For further information please contact:  Kathy Smith, Centre Manager  Belle Isle Christian Centre  Belle Isle Avenue  Wakefield WF1 5JY  Telephone: 01924 382966  Email: wbc.centremanager@gmail.com  Website: www.wakefieldbaptistchurch.co.uk |  | ***24129930_874362336070976_4561971203861935182_n[1]BAPTIST*** ***NEWS***  Wakefield  Summer 2018 Magazine  Helping People Follow Jesus |

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| Meet the Leadership Team [Image result for allotment](https://www.google.co.uk/url?sa=i&source=images&cd=&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=2ahUKEwj_iKqggKvbAhVBUBQKHWSJDVgQjRx6BAgBEAU&url=https://www.ststephenparishcouncil.gov.uk/facilities/allotments/&psig=AOvVaw3YRt0jIqNQlZk1r8TEkSFb&ust=1527686072776814)  **10** |  | **REV REFLECTION by Kezia Robinson**  [Kezia Robinson's profile photo, Image may contain: 2 people, people smiling, glasses and close-up](https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?fbid=10155710073160535&set=a.474546250534.263640.568680534&type=3&source=11&referrer_profile_id=568680534)  .  What a difference some nice weather makes!!  The movement into spring seems to have been really slow this year. Easter was dark and rainy and just when I thought Seasonal Affective Disorder might become a summer phenomenon spring broke through. But now I’m delighted to see so many sunny days over the 2 bank holidays we have had and the lighter, longer days mean evening dog walks and breakfast in the garden. I’m more relaxed and optimistic and I am already planning a summer BBQ as if we have reliable weather!  Light and heat transform how I feel about my day. I feel a bit like that when it comes to Jesus stuff. Community and prayer transform my thinking from pretty low-level and petty and allow for a lot more joy, grace and hope. This last month I’ve had some rubbish moments and it would have been easy to retreat inside myself and mutter and murmur about how wronged and gnarly I feel. But you know, I look at that empty cross and the grace my shoddy little life has been given and the light breaks in. I realise we’re all just doing the best we can and Jesus brings grace joy and a pointer towards living with grace and love. I hope these next months bring spaces for you to not just to feel brighter days but to feel the hope and love that is offered in Jesus and through his community at Wakefield Baptist Church.  Kezia Robinson  Minister  [Image result for Dog walking in the summer](https://www.google.co.uk/url?sa=i&source=images&cd=&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=2ahUKEwiApaaFgKvbAhXIyRQKHWZ-Av8QjRx6BAgBEAU&url=https://www.ck9training.co.uk/blog/essential-summer-dog-walking-tips/&psig=AOvVaw0HPg0teLBV3ZtguNV-x1yE&ust=1527686013225730)  **3** |

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| **Weekly what’s on?**   * **MONDAY:** Drop In: 1.00pm to 4.00pm @ WBC * **MONDAY:** Farsi Bible Study: 1.30pm to 4.00pm @ WBC * **TUESDAY:** TMF 10.15am - @ WBC (fortnightly) * **TUESDAY:** WBC Music Practice - 6.30pm @ WBC * **TUESDAY:** WBC Choir – 7.30pm @ WBC * **WEDNESDAY:** Morning Prayer 7.30am @WBC * **WEDNESDAY:** English Classes (FREE) 10.30am @ WBC * **WEDNESDAY:** Acorns - 9.30-11.30am @ WBC * **WEDNESDAY:** Walk, Talk & Pray – 2.30pm (Monthly) See Centre Manager for dates & venues & timings * **WEDNESDAY:** Bible Study - 7.00pm @ WBC * **WEDNESDAY:** Get Creative – 7pm @ WBC (fornightly) * **THURSDAY:** Drop in: 1.00pm to 4.00pm @ WBC * **THURSDAY:** Film Nights (Monthly) * **FRIDAY:** English Classes (FREE) 10.30am @ WBC * **FRIDAY:** Farsi Service – 6.30pm * **SUNDAY:** F.A.M (Youth Group): 4.30pm to 6.00pm on 2nd & 3rd Sundays at the home of Kathy & Keith Smith   **SUNDAY SERVICE:** Morning starts with Breakfast at 09:30am  Service is at 10.30am and 6.30pm  Evening Services at 6.30pm:   * + - 1st Sunday = Ecumenical Praise     - 2nd Sunday = Craftivism     - 3rd Sunday = Café Church     - 4th Sunday = Meditative time of prayer     - 5th Sunday = Prayer for our Missionaries       **4**    [C:\Users\Owner\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\INetCache\Content.MSO\5324BB0F.tmp](https://www.google.co.uk/url?sa=i&source=images&cd=&cad=rja&uact=8&ved=2ahUKEwi14penhKvbAhVJkRQKHQRGBB4QjRx6BAgBEAU&url=https://www.familyfuncanada.com/calgary/fun-n-more-indoor-play-centre/&psig=AOvVaw2ilIKmWwrxQ9X67JOlW_IO&ust=1527687162102842)  **8** |  | **TUESDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP: A PRIVILEGE**  A few years ago I was given the privilege of running the Tuesday Morning Fellowship.   At that time it was really just to keep it chugging along to make sure the older people of the church had somewhere to meet up for Christian fellowship.  As time went on, meeting regularly with these deeply committed Christians my love for God grew and my desire to pick up more knowledge from them was huge.  A year or two passed and numbers were dropping as many had died. I felt I had to put some of their teaching into practice and pray more, ask God for guidance and trust him.  As we had been asking preachers from different churches to preach, it seemed a natural progression to open our doors to all denominations. Numbers grew and Gods love started to bind us together.  We decided to give a thank you lunch for the speakers.  I felt God pushing me to read Psalm 133 (about unity) and to speak it out into the group. Everyone prayed and at the next meeting we had gained 6 more people.  We now have over 30 people on our register and usually have a regular 20-25 at the meeting. As a group we believe that Gods word is a living word and those who are now in Heaven are still praying for us.  Love and Peace, Liz Haselhurst    **Tuesday Morning Fellowship meets fortnightly at 10.15**  **We enjoy coffee, biscuits, praise, prayer and fellowship**  **We always have an interesting speaker each time**  **9**    **WAKEFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH**  **AWAY DAY @ HOME**  **1st July 2018**  Everyone is welcome to come along to any of the events listed and enjoy what you like doing:   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Time** | **Activity** | **Where?** | | **09:30** | Breakfast, Chat, Newspapers | Mark & Kezia Robinson;  **Foyer** | | **10:00** | Northumbria Prayer time | **Chapel** | | **10:30** | Walk | **From WBC** | | **10:30** | Guided Discussion with a Topic | Dick Davies  **Chapel** | | **12:00** | Lunch – Bacon, Sausage & Egg butties | **Hall** | | **12:00** | Opportunity for 1:1 prayer | **Chapel** | | **14:00** | Get Creative | **Foyer** | | **14:00** | Family Games | Youth Leaders;  **Heath Common**  (weather permitting) | | **15:30** | Film: The Shawshank Redemption | Kezia Robinson  **Chapel** | | **17:00** | Cream Tea | **Hall** | | **18:30** | Evening Service with Guest speaker – Simon Hall, Baptist Minister in Leeds &  Worship Band from the Salvation Army | **Chapel** |   **5** |

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| **Mission Musings**  **Andrea & Mark Hotchkin** http://www.bmsworldmission.org/  Mark and Andrea continue their invaluable work out in the desert in a town called Bardai in Chad. They are seeing increased numbers of sick, including children, coming to the hospital. Andrea has been able to meet more regularly with the women in the area so that they have improved health, particularly in child birth.  They continue to pray for more staff to work in the hospital although some of the ancillary staff are from the local Teda community, which is good for building up relationships with the community.  We also continue to pray for the political situation in Chad where wages are going down and taxes are increasing. There is often unrest in the country resulting in strikes in government services, which can be challenging.  Mark and Andrea continue to battle on learning the Teda language, which is very difficult and time consuming.  We also continue to pray for funds to replace the aging and temperamental generator they have which is so urgently needed to help run the electricity which powers the hospital equipment.  We pray too for Ruth and Rebecca Hotchkin, Mark and Andrea’s daughters who continue their education in the UK at University  **Carol & Andy Brooke**    Things are hotting up in Haiti for Carol & Andy as the rainy season has now ended. Carol and Andy are managing a hospital in  managing a hospital in Haiti and managing the volunteers / workers who come along to it. We pray for the many volunteers who come and pray for them to be blessed and inspired during their visits.  **6** |  | We are praying for their electricity supply through generators and also for much needed funds for future projects including extensions to the Neonatal ICU, maternity unit, rehab coffee shop and a craft centre.  Haiti plays host to some of the poorest people on the planet and we  continue to pray for an improvement in the poverty situation and wisdom for the government.  We also pray for continued good health for Andy and Carol and their good relationships with colleagues and friends in Haiti. We also pray for their family back home in the UK, especially as Andy and Carol will be missing their grandchildren as they progress through their early years.  http://www.bmsworldmission.org/  **Tim and Hannah Flatman & Rita**  Tim recently visited South Sudan whilst Hannah and baby Rita had some well earned catch up time with family in the UK. Tim found, on his trip, that many men work in South Sudan but their families are in Uganda. This separation of families is very challenging and included volunteers who work with ACROSS in Juba.  Tim reports that God is at work in Abyei which has now become a good example of local people making peace when the government leaders continue to disagree. The peace market in Amiet shows collaborative working between South Sudan and Sudan.  There is a continued need for support of education and teachers in Abyei, particularly for funding. Although relatively inexpensive compared with the UK, it is still difficult to raise funds. Teachers salary for 1 year is only £500. If you would like to help with the funds for this either through a social group or through your church please contact with Tim at [tflatman@gmail.com](mailto:tflatman@gmail.com).  One of the main areas of pray for this area is peace and stability.  https://i0.wp.com/wakefieldbaptistchurch.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/flatmans-1024x771.jpg?resize=525%2C395  <https://www.latinlink.org.uk>  **7** |