

# Sunday 30 January ...a warm welcome to ebenezer...

Then Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Shen.
He named it Ebenezer, saying,

'Thus far the Lord has helped us.'

1 Samuel 7:12 (NIVÜK)

Ebenezer means 'stone of help'

#### **Today:**

10.30am Tea and coffee served
11.00am Live in church and Live Streaming on Facebook
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#### A Hard Road

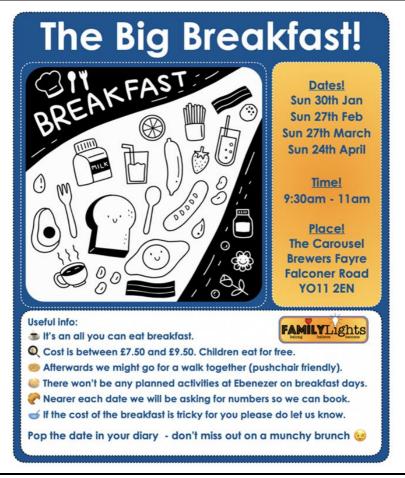
John 6:60-71

...many of his disciples said, 'This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?'
Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them,
'Does this offend you? Then what if you see the Son of Man ascend to
where he was before! The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing.
The words I have spoken to you – they are full of the Spirit and life. Yet
there are some of you who do not believe. For Jesus had known from the
beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. He
went on to say, 'This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless
the Father has enabled them.'

From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.

'You do not want to leave too, do you?' Jesus asked the Twelve. Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God.'

John 6:61-69 (NIVUK)



#### Thank you

# David Grassam says:

#### Dear all

Denise and I are very grateful for your prayers, words and texts over the recent weeks. It has been a challenging time. We are also grateful for the practical support given.

Keep praying for a miracle as medically there is no cure at the present time.

Although we cannot attend as we used to, our thoughts and prayers are with our church family.

God bless you all.

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# So, you want to be a disciple

John 15:18 - 16:4

### 6.30pm Communion

#### **Special Church Meeting Sunday 6 February**

The Church Secretary says:

Members are invited to a Special Church Meeting after the morning service on 6 February. There is only one item on the agenda and that is the name of our new

Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).

Members will be asked to vote by ballot.

The two names on the ballot paper will be

# Yorkshire Coast Christian Network

and

Yorkshire Coast Christian Communities.

Please discuss this issue before the meeting with other members so that the meeting can move *straight* to the ballot and be a quick one!

Please remember that this name is the official one that The Charity Commission for England and Wales (a Government Department) will know us by.

Our everyday names will still be Ebenezer Baptist Church and Hope Whitby.

Please discuss this with anyone in the Leadership Team if you are at all unsure.



#### **Yorkshire Baptist Association Prayer Diary 2022**

enews editor says:

Please pray this week for:

- Bingley Baptist Church https://bingleybaptist.net/wp/
- Blackley Baptist Church, Elland https://www.facebook.com/BlackleyBaptistChurch/

#### **Missions Updates**

https://www.rockofhelp.org.uk/ under the Resources tab, Missions Updates

- FISS Faith in Scarborough Schools Prayer Meeting
  Thursday 3 February 11am Via Zoom
  Details will be sent out next week.
  Please contact FISS to ask for the Zoom details prior to
  Thursday: fiss.scarborough@gmail.com
- YBA Newsround 26 January
- BMS World News Issue 1/2022
- Release International: Hear Our Prayer: Special Online Prayer Event for Prisoner of Faith Zafar Bhatti Monday January 31 from 7.30pm to 8.10pm.

# **Happy Anniversary Ebenezer Baptist Church!!**

January 2022 is the 251st Anniversary of the founding of Ebenezer Baptist Church.

The book "Ebenezer - Hitherto Hath The Lord Helped Us" which explores the 250 year history of Ebenezer Baptist Church was published last year and copies are still available to purchase. https://www.rockofhelp.org.uk/book



#### YBA Becoming Better Disciples Free 4 week online course

How do we make disciples in Yorkshire today? Sign up for a FREE 4-week online course

"Making disciples of Jesus in Yorkshire today"
With

#### Peter Dunn

YBA Discipleship Enabler And European Director for Biglife Biglife

a Disciple Making Movement.

The course is for everyone seeking to learn how to share faith and serve others on their journey of discipleship.

The webinars will be on 4 Tuesday evenings:

8 February

15 February

22 February

1 March

Time:

7.30pm to 9pm

Send an email for the Zoom link to julie.crabtree@yba.org.uk giving your name and the name of your church, by **Tuesday, 1st February.** 

Phillip Gott, Treasurer says:

As 'Discipleship' is the current theme of our preaching and our Home Groups, this course may prove helpful.

Jesus came to them and said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'

Matthew 28:18-20 (NIVUK)

## FamilyLights Update



Sunday 23rd January - David defeats Goliath!!



"Only A Boy Called David" - singing with Auntie Margaret



Practising our slingshot skills!

Thanks to those who came to join us and TOP MARKS to Doreen for her shot right between Goliath's eyes ••

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The Philistines won the tug of war...



The Israelites put up a good fight ...

We spotted Goliath across the valley



The Israelites!

We rewarded our victory with cheese and bread (biblical) and some cheeky chips\*!

(\*not in the original story \*\*)



"Not by might or power but by My Spirit" says the Lord'. Zechariah 4:6

# **Ebenezer Prayer Chain**

The Prayer Chain is a group of people who are Members of Ebenezer who have committed to pray for the LORD's intervention in acute, emergency situations. Often, but not exclusively, these are health issues.

To find out more, read the two documents:

- Ebenezer Prayer Chain: Information for those requesting prayer and
  - Ebenezer Prayer Chain Volunteers: Guidance for those praying.

You can find these on the church website. What's On drop down menu, Prayer https://www.rockofhelp.org.uk/prayer

# Ways forward for the days ahead:

The Leadership Team says:

There are more spaced-out seating areas in parts of the church.

Taking a lateral flow test is another option to consider ahead of coming to Church.

From 27 January: There is no longer a legal requirement to wear a face covering. The government suggests that you continue to wear a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces where you may come into contact with other people you do not normally meet.

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-coronavirus-restrictionswhat-you-can-and-cannot-do#what-has-changed

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command:

'Love your neighbour as yourself.'

Galatians 5:13,14 (NIVUK)

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