

Cullompton Baptist Church

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The Network

Hello, and welcome to the August & September issue of "The Network".

"If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit."

John 15 - 5

Summer is a time of light and vibrant life. We all feel more alive as we take time to slow down and enjoy the world God made and the people he gave us to share it with.

Summer is a time not to live on auto pilot as we are prone to do, rather we are invited to stop, look, listen, consider and appreciate all the gifts summer offers us.

Many of these gifts are the fruits of our labour as we have prepared the ground and planted and nurtured the seeds.

For the Spiritual fruit, our hearts are the soil and the seed is the Word of God. It is the Holy Spirit who enables growth and fruitfulness.

All we have to do is abide in God. The Word can mean remain, but it can also mean to press in. This pressing in stuff is what many of us have to do when life's storms hit.

And what is the Fruit? Well, it is the qualities of the Holy Spirit such as: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control. All these fruits are from God and all that we need is to be willing for God to work in us.

Thinking ahead, our harvest service will take place at 10.30am on the 24th of September followed by a harvest lunch to which all are welcome.

On the same day at 6.30pm, I am taking the harvest service at Tiverton Baptist Church. I am hoping this service can be a time for all the Baptist Churches in the area to come and worship together and have a tea before it. Watch this space.

We will be circulating the minutes from the Church meeting of the 29th of June and are also hoping to make a version of the minutes of the Deacon's meeting available to all Church members once a month.

Finally, all the services in August and September are being taken by me except for the 3rd of September when Mrs Anne Kidner will be preaching.

Whatever you are doing during this Summer time, may God's rich blessings be with you all.

In Christ.

Glen and Rowan Graham

School Pastors Fundraising Cream Tea

Do join us for a cream tea on Saturday, 14th October between 12:30 - 14:00, in the church room, to raise money for the School Pastors' work at Cullompton Community College. This will be an occasion to celebrate their five-year anniversary and to find out more about the School Pastors' work at the school.

Judy Wincott

Cullompton School Pastor Coordinator

Sunday Services - 10:30 am; Church

6th August - Sunday Service. Rev. Glen Graham

13th August - Sunday Service. Rev. Glen Graham

20th August - Communion Service. Rev. Glen Graham

27th August - Sunday Service. Rev. Glen Graham

3rd September - Sunday Service. Mrs Anne Kidner

10th September - Sunday Service. Rev. Glen Graham

17th September - Communion Service. Rev. Glen Graham

24th September - Harvest Service. Rev. Glen Graham

Other dates for your diaries

24th September, 6.30pm - Harvest Service at Tiverton Baptist Church

14th October; Autumn Festival. Street Pastors Cream Tea 12-2pm School Room

Deacons' meeting 12th October, 10.30am.

Any contributions for the next "Network" need to be with Camille by 20th September; email at mrs.camille.harrison@gmail.com or pass them on at Church on Sunday.