

Sep 19th
LIGHT OF LIFE, ORMESBY

Minister: Vacant

The Church is seeking God about its vision following the departure of its minister, Craig Millward.

We continue to be encouraged by attendances & are looking forward to completing improvement works to our Church building & kitchen. We give thanks for the gifts received as Church of the Year & other donations which are enabling us to develop our kitchen for the benefit of our outreach work & ourselves.

Please pray for the work we are engaged in as we reach out to our community especially through young people & the elderly.

Sep 26th
SHERINGHAM

Minister: Rev. Bryan Pickard

We have now in place our new pastor, Rev. Bryan Pickard, & God has richly blessed his ministry straight away. Things are moving at great pace regarding the purchase of a new & bigger site in Sheringham for a new church build.

Our Offer to purchase has been accepted & we now begin the raising of funds. An exciting challenge but there is a real sense of purpose in the fellowship. Please pray that God will supply all our needs as we move on in His will.

After nine years our Youth worker Daniel Beckett & his wife Hayley are moving to Godmanchester. Please pray for them as they settle in their new work, & us as we seek a new worker.

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Jul 4th

CLIFF PARK COMMUNITY CHURCH, GORLESTON Minister: Rev. Mike Simm

We thank God for his wonderful provision for us & for the Holy Spirit's leading as 10 years have elapsed since our formation to minister to the community of the southern area of the cliffs. We have also developed into an area church. People are joining us from Lowestoft & Oulton Broad as well as the local areas of Bradwell, Belton & Yarmouth.

We ask for your prayers as we approach a special time of evangelism other than our distribution of invitations to special events & the continued contact with the people on the 52 roads in our catchment area, informing them of our prayers & offering them help at difficult times in their lives. We are privileged to now have members who are gifted to go out & knock on doors & speak to the people about Jesus while offering them a booklet of testimonies from the experiences of our people at CPCC. There is also an area of particular need, where we feel it has been hard to witness in the past.

At Easter 2009 we held our celebrations at Gorleston Pavilion Theatre just opposite the new bandstand, we were forced to evacuate owing to inclement weather! This was repeated at Christmas 2009 & also at Easter this year, & is scheduled for the coming Christmas. The response was outstanding with the facilities of a theatre & its seating. An Alpha course followed, held at the Burrage Centre near the James Paget Hospital. There has been a good response & we especially pray for a commitment to Christ for all of them.

It was a joy to have 4 baptisms in June - 2 teenagers & 2 adults. We are thankful for leaders who have come forward to continue the work among the children & young people in the church & the outreach to the children of Cliff Park Infant & Junior Schools. The formation of a prayer team who meet with the staff on a regular basis & are so appreciated, & those who are involved with other activities in the schools.

Please pray for our minister Mike & the leaders as they continue to lead the church through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Jul 11th
GREAT YARMOUTH, PARK BAPTIST

Minister: Rev. Derrick Hill

We have been blessed with a significant growth in numbers attending both English & Portuguese speaking congregations in the past 12 months for which we praise God - & growth in our activities continues with the planned opening of a new coffee shop in town, two days per week initially, later this month. This month also sees the conclusion of our first "Freedom in Christ" course which has encouraged participants to break free from any negative past & to walk more confidently with the Lord. We are also exploring possibilities for greater ecumenical co-operation & outreach in the town.

Growth, of course, brings its own challenges & our leadership team are constantly seeking to adjust the way we work to reflect the growing numbers & faith of our congregation. This Autumn our Pastor is taking a sabbatical specifically to look at how growth affects the way we work. Please pray that he might know God's guidance; that both our Associate Pastor, Leda Schofield, & the other leaders will receive God's strength for their additional responsibilities in this time & that the church as a whole will continue to grow.

Jul 18th
GUNTON

Minister: Rev. Colin Napper

Please pray for the Trustees of Gunton Baptist Church & the congregation as we look towards September when our Pastor will be leaving us. Also there is a lot of stress & illness in the various members of the congregation.

Jul 25th
HUNSTANTON, UNION CHURCH

Minister: Rev. David Hulse

Praise God for our on-going work especially our Wednesday Coffee & Sale, a place to befriend the lonely. Please pray for us to find the vision for the future the Lord has planned for us.

Sep 5th
SILVER ROAD, NORWICH

Minister: Vacant

This year we are celebrating our centenary with several events planned. We praise God for over two hundred friends sharing in our June celebrations, & look forward to November when we hold our final day of celebration with representatives from local churches.

We praise God for completion of major refurbishment of our kitchen & toilets bringing them up to standard. We hope to be able to use the kitchen for general use by local groups as well as by ourselves.

We pray that we will know God's will for our church as we seek to move forward into all that He has planned for us. Also that we will be able to reach the community around us for Jesus.

Sep 12th
WITARD ROAD, NORWICH

Minister: Rev. David Adams

We continue to be encouraged as the fellowship grows, both numerically & in its understanding of reaching out to the East of Norwich.

We would value prayers for the following things:

- A new part-time ministry headed by Rev. Jonathan Squirrell to disciple & mentor our 18-35 age group.
- For all the arrangements that need to be made as we prepare to move into our new worship centre planned for later this year.
- For wisdom as we deal with the variety of pastoral needs & concerns in a growing congregation of wide background & age.

**Aug 1st
KING'S LYNN**

Minister: Kevan Crane
Assistant Pastor: Kieran Woodward

Prayer points:

- SODA Club (next meeting 4th Sept) (Schools out Dad's about) - an outreach to men to spend time with their children/grandchildren/nephews etc.
- Cap Money courses offering financial help to local families & individuals along with the Community Bank which runs from our building.
- For our Leadership Team Kevan Crane (Senior Pastor) Kieran Woodward (Assistant Pastor), Andrew Sheard, Roger Mullis (Missions) Mark Hemsworth (Worship Leader) & Claire Archer (Youth Worker) as they seek to lead the church, & reach out to the local community & beyond.
- For our Holiday Club running in August for local children, churched & unchurched.

**Aug 8th
LOWESTOFT, LONDON ROAD**

Minister: Vacant

We thank God for strengthening our church community & our growing sense of vision & purpose. We also thank God for the many contacts we have with our local community & individuals in it.

We pray for God's guidance as we are seeking to have a greater impact in our mission to our local community. We are considering change in a number of areas of church life including looking for a new Pastoral leader.

**Aug 15th
MARTHAM**

Minister: Vacant

As a church we thank God for His continued provision, the contacts we have made in the village particularly with the Trinity Children's Centre & the Broads Singers, we ask for God's blessing on them.

We give thanks to the Lord for the weddings we are now able to officiate, & ask for His blessing on all those married in our church. This has been a wonderful outreach to us, & an important step towards our contribution to village life, we pray this continues & couples are attracted back into marriage under God's banner.

As we increase our communication with village life, we pray for the families of all those caught up in the economic down turn & ask that God brings all seeking help & reassurance into His presence, we continue to seek His will in our lives, & pray that the Lord directs more workers into our congregation.

**Aug 22nd
NEATISHEAD**

Minister: Rev. Sue Seeley

At Neatishead we have so much to give thanks for. The Holiday Club for Grown Ups was so well supported, about 40, they enjoyed games, videos, God spots & a lunch.

Our Sunday congregations average thirty - mid-week fellowship now numbers nineteen. A thanksgiving evening realised £3,250 & so it goes on. Of course, we are so blessed with Rev. Sue Seeley for all the time she puts in each week.

**Aug 29th
NORWICH CENTRAL**

Ministers: Rev. James East &
Rev. Mark Fairweather-Tall

We are grateful to God for the strong group of students who have worshipped with us during this last academic year. We have experienced many blessings through them joining in with our church life in so many ways, from helping to make tea & coffee to leading worship. Pray that as the new academic year approaches, we will be able to welcome back those returning to Norwich to continue their studies, & in particular may we be a nurturing church, providing support & guidance for those away from home for the first time.