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THIS EASTER – JOIN ANOTHER ONE !!

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ABOUT US



VBC on Facebook



Derek is married to Carrie and they have three children. He grew up in the North East of England and became a Christian as a teenager. He worked in youth work in Edinburgh and Bournemouth. Derek trained at Moorlands College and Spurgeon's College, London, and has worked in the past with Saltmine Trust. He was the Senior Minister at RBC from 1985 and retired in October 2023. He enjoys music, walking, cooking and the ups and downs of following Newcastle United Football Club.

Every year I get an email from my mechanic telling me my car MOT is due and every year I am legally obliged to have my car tested in order to see if it is still roadworthy!

On Palm Sunday we ought to prepare ourselves for the upcoming journey through Holy Week that we will take. So, what better day could there be for us all to undergo a spiritual MOT to ensure that we are spiritually roadworthy for the journey to the cross and beyond!

A Palm Sunday 'Pit Stop' to prayerfully appraise our life in Christ!

Next Week

Hallelujah! Christ is risen!

Chris will be preaching as we celebrate Jesus' resurrection. This service will be a baptismal service.

HOLY SPIRIT DAY



Sat 6th Apr, 9.30am to 4.30pm here at VBC. In line with Chris's ongoing Teaching Series regarding the work and person of the Holy Spirit, we are setting aside a day to explore the work of the Holy Spirit together as a church. Lunch provided.

P.S. There will be NO children and youth facilities. 2

STAFF/OFFICE MATTERS

Staff movements for this coming week - Friday and the following Monday are bank holidays so the office will be closed on those days.

Chris	off Tues	Kevin	off Sat
Sandra	off Thurs	Tim	in Wed
Colin	in Thurs	Jez	in Wed am
Erik	off Thurs	Simon	off Tues
Phil	in Mon & Wed	Nadine	in Mon & Thurs
Julie	in Thurs	Helen	in Wed

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Chris Short

PA to Senior Minister

Sandra Taylor

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The Week Ahead

Preaching Engagements *Please remember in prayer*



Advance Notice -

There will be NO service here at VBC on Sunday May 19th. We want to encourage everyone to join us and other Eastbourne churches at the Bandstand that morning for this year's Thy Kingdom Come event.



Garage Space needed -

If anyone has an empty garage, please contact the office as Adrian Attwater (captain of our Boys' Brigade) is looking for one at the moment.

Easter 2024 @ VBC

Maundy Thursday - INTERACTIVE REFLECTION - 28th March - 2.30pm



Maundy Thursday-the day we remember that Last Supper when Jesus celebrated the Passover meal with His disciples before being betrayed and arrested. During the meal, He took and blessed bread and wine and shared it with them, calling the bread and wine His body and blood.



This Maundy Thursday we will re-enact that time together, by sharing in communion and the washing of feet (read hands).

A great reminder of love and how we ought to serve one another, just like Jesus. All are welcome.

In Loving Memory of

Yeshua

25 /12 / AD 1 - 03 / 04 / AD 33

Friday 29th March

10.00am

Victoria Baptist Church

(funeral attire please - no flowers)

In perfect love He dies;

for me He dies, for me!

O all-atoning Sacrifice,

You died to make me free!



EASTER SUNDAY - 31st March

6:00 am Sunrise @ Butts Brow

10.00am Baptismal & Easter Celebration

Bible Academy begins again!

Bible Academy begins after Easter - two 6-week courses.



Level 1 Bible Basics - Alternate Thursdays at 6.30pm, starting 11th April in the Garden Room.

This course explores what the Bible is, what is the big picture behind it, how to read it and understand it. Ideal for new Christians or a good refresher course for the more mature in faith.

Level 2 Deep Dive - Alternate Sundays starting 14th April in the sanctuary, 6.30pm.

This course takes a more focussed approach and looks at the nature of God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit, the problem of sin, and then looks at some simple doctrines including who are the church.

Sign up sheets for both courses are available in the Welcome Centre. See Jez for further details.

Snooker Marathon

Our caretaker, Kevin Virgo, is undertaking a snooker marathon at his local snooker club. He is hoping to raise some money for Hope Lebedyn through sponsorship of this event on **Saturday 6th April**.

See him if you fancy a game or would like to sponsor him.

Nominations

As reported at the church meeting last week, we still have one place vacant for the Core Leadership Team (CLT) and would like to fill this vacancy at the next meeting at the end of April.

If you feel you would like to nominate someone for this position you need to check first that they are willing to stand! Any potential candidate must be a current member of VBC and have been in membership for a minimum of two years. They must also have been baptised (as an adult, not infant baptism).

CLT Nomination Form 

We nominate _____

as a candidate for election to the Core Leadership Team
of Victoria Baptist Church at the forthcoming Church Meeting on
Wednesday 24th April 2024.

Nominated by _____

Seconded by _____

As a baptised member of Victoria Baptist Church
who has been in membership for more than two years,
I accept the above nomination.

Signature of nominee _____

Nomination form to be handed into the office by
Wednesday 27th March 2024.

Forms are available from the office if you would like to nominate someone. It needs to be signed by yourself, and another member of the church then has to second your proposal - and the candidate themselves also needs to sign it. Completed forms should be handed in to the office by Wednesday 27th March, i.e. 4 weeks in advance of the next meeting.

PRAYER DIARY 25TH - 31ST MARCH

The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. James 5:16b

Monday - Today we pray for peace in the Middle East. Pray that those in Israel and Palestine who wish to continue violence are silenced and that the love of Christ will overpower them. Pray that those with influence will speak words of peace and reconciliation and not words of hatred. Pray for continued relief and aid to reach the people trapped in Gaza.

Tuesday - Please pray for our children's and young people's work. Thank God for Erik, Simon and the team of volunteers that enable this vital ministry to continue. Pray for the hearts of our children and young people to be open to the Gospel whilst juggling other commitments. Pray for creativity in planning, enthusiasm in delivery and compassion in pastoral care.

Wednesday - We have many groups which use VBC, including Bub Club, Rock Choir, NHS Blood and Transfusion Service, local schools, dance classes and U3A. Pray that those who come will feel the presence of God as they use the building. Pray, too, for those who come along to various ministries such as CAP, Community Fridge, Vicky Bees, the Brigades, Friends, Food and Fellowship, Men's and Women's Fellowship to name a few.

Thursday - Continue to pray for our brothers and sisters at our sister church in Lebedyn. As the war gets closer and impacts them more frequently, pray that they will feel the protection of the Lord. Pray that God would set His angels over the facilities, the team and those who are part of the church.

Friday - Today, please pray for our Life Groups. Pray for the leaders as they seek to support those in their group. Pray for wisdom in leading sessions and dealing with any pastoral concerns. Pray for those who attend groups to grow in their faith as they walk with Jesus, and ask God to raise up new leaders.

Saturday - Please pray for our Pastoral Team today as they support those who are sick, grieving, lonely or facing challenges in their lives. Pray that God will comfort the mourning, heal the sick, bring people alongside the lonely and give wisdom to those who are facing difficult situations. If you know of specific people who need prayer, name them before God.

Sunday - Today is Easter Day, or Resurrection Day, when we sing and shout "**Christ is Risen!**" Praise God and thank Him for sending Jesus. Spend time in praise of God, for His Creation, His Word and His Church. Pray for those being baptised today. May they know the fullness of God's Spirit as they commit to Him publicly.

FUEL FOR PRAYER

FLOWER MINISTRY



Thank you for the flowers and Bible verse. Really appreciated, and flowers always say it all. JU



I just wanted to send my thanks for the flowers which came yesterday. Thank you for thinking of us. CS

Flowers on 10th March were donated by
Tony Waters, in memory of Daphne.



Flowers on 17th March were donated by
Stephen & Helen Dickson