

O the peace I find in Jesus,
Peace no power on earth can shake,
Peace that makes the Lord so precious,
Peace that none from me can take - -

Beck

Jude and Gloria would like to thank everyone for their support during the production of the Newsletter and would welcome any comments, ideas and feedback.

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# ALDERMANS GREEN FREE METHODIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER



December 2012 - January 2013

### **SERVICES**









Bible Sunday December 2<sup>nd</sup> (Sunday School Prize Giving) 11:00 am and 6:00pm

December 23<sup>rd</sup>
Sunday School Christmas Service
11:00am
Carol Service 6:00pm

5:30pm

December 24<sup>th</sup>
Christingle

Family Christmas Service Morning Only December 25<sup>th</sup> Service starts at 9:30am

All services during December and January Reverend Peter Norton



**COMMUNION** 

First Sunday of each month – Evening Service Third Sunday of each month – Morning Service

## **Dates for the diary:**

#### **CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December, 10:00am – 2:00pm.

#### **MEMBERS MEETING - AGM**

Tuesday December 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm Here in Jubilee Hall/Sunday School

#### **WORSHIP GROUP**

Worship Group practices, Thursday at 7:30pm on:

December 13<sup>th</sup>

January 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>

#### **HOME GROUP**

Wednesday at 7:30pm On

5<sup>th</sup> December – Audrey's home 19<sup>th</sup> Dec (Christmas Party) - Peter & Sue's home January 16<sup>th</sup> -Venue to be announced January 30<sup>th</sup> - Venue to be announced

#### PRAYER MEETING

Wednesday night in the Choir Vestry December 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm January 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm

#### **FLOWER ROTA**

Dec	Donor	Arranger
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Shelia Gill	Pat
9 <sup>th</sup>	Anne	Rita
16 <sup>th</sup>	Ladies	Christmas

Please see Pat and Rita to volunteer for 2013.

I wonder if I can encourage you to look for something of the real nature of Christmas this time round.

God became flesh and dwelt among us!!!!!

How incredible is that? Even if you find it hard to accept that Jesus did this for you, the fact is he did and we can all be blessed by this great gift of God to the world.

God bless you all,

Peter



#### **HOME AND OVERSEAS MISSIONS**

Many thanks to everyone who has generously donated gifts to the above charities this year.

Home missions: I am sorry that I have not been successful in locating appropriate cash boxes. When your present boxes are full please let me have them in the New Year thanks.

Total monies raised will be announced at the Annual General Meeting in December. Also all the charities that benefitted from your money will be shared.

Thanks to you in Jesus' name, God's blessings, Anne Lively.

#### Dear Friends,

What a camp we had. It rained a bit, the sun shone a bit, and the mud stuck a lot. We had a great time and it is only when you come home that you have time to work out how good it was.

For those who have never been on a camp with the young people of Alderman's Green you have to ask someone who has to understand a little of the atmosphere, (not the smell), of the week away.

I spoke to someone who remembered the time she went over 20 years before and she still remembered what a great time she had. I will remember on my first camp with the young people the comment of one young man when caught by me, "I've been caught by an old man!" I didn't think I was old till then!!!

There are great times in all our lives that will come up again and again, times that changed our lives, times that made us laugh or cry that will never be forgotten by us.

As you look back over 2012 what events have impacted on your life, that were and are life changing? Have there been those moments that you will never forget?

Laughter and tears, joy and sadness, confidence and fear are all the type of emotions that clarify our memories.

As we approach Christmas there are all sorts of memories that affect us, we miss those who were once there, we remember the fun and excitement of our youth, the food, the presents, the singing? A whole lot of mixed emotions show themselves.

I remember being told by some adults when I was younger that Christmas was for the children only, even then I thought that this was a limited view of what it was all about.

## Selection of the entertainment from Harvest Supper











