

# ALDERMANS GREEN FREE METHODIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER



**October – November 2015**

**Romans 12:12** - Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation;  
continuing instant in prayer;

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**Worship Group Practices:**

October – 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:30pm, 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:00pm & 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm  
November – 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00pm

**Christmas Choir Practices:**

October – 15<sup>th</sup>, & 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30pm  
November – 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm

**Home Group:**

October – 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>  
November – 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>

**Prayer Meeting:**

October – 14<sup>th</sup>  
November – 11<sup>th</sup>

**Craft Club:**

October & November – Every Friday at 10:00am

**Dates for the diary**

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 6:30pm **Fife Street Fellowship Evening**  
with a Combined Choir and followed by a 'sumptuous buffet'  
*Everyone welcome - lifts available. See Sue O or Peter for more details.*

November 28<sup>th</sup> 10:00am to 2:00pm – **Christmas Craft Fayre.**  
Anybody able to help please let Rita know nearer the date.

November 30<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm – **Trustees Meeting**  
**Tuesday December 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm Church Members AGM Jubilee Hall/Sunday School**

**FLOWER ROTA**

Oct	Donor	Arranger
4 <sup>th</sup>	Percy	King
11 <sup>th</sup>	Joyce West	Pat
18 <sup>th</sup>	Monica Crump	Monica
25 <sup>th</sup>	Church	Helen/Joy
<b>Nov</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup>		
8 <sup>th</sup>	Helen	Fuertig
15 <sup>th</sup>	Rita	Rita
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Chris & Stuart	Pat
29 <sup>th</sup>	Pauline Gray	Pat

# SERVICES



All services Rev. Peter Norton

**October 25<sup>th</sup>** Church Anniversary & Gift Day  
**November 8<sup>th</sup>** Remembrance Sunday (Morning Service starts at 10:45am)  
**December 6<sup>th</sup>** Bible Sunday



## COMMUNION

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

### A Choir for Christmas

Presenting *Gabriel's Story*  
Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December evening  
and taking part in the **Carol Service**  
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December evening  
Rehearsals begin here on  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October 7:30 to 9:00pm  
*All ages very welcome! No experience needed!*

Dear Friends,

By the time you read this we will have had our Harvest Services and now be thinking of all that needs to be done between now and Christmas. I am not wishing my life away but we do seem to live our lives getting ready for the next big and exciting thing to come along. There may be another holiday to come? Someone's birthday or anniversary? A date with an important person? Whatever it may be we have some anticipation of the event and maybe we rehearse different scenarios in our minds trying to cover every eventuality.

We know that we cannot plan for everything but it does not stop us trying, or even engineering an outcome that will suit us.

For a little while now there have been those who tell us that a certain day in September is going to be the end of the world, if you are reading this then you will know they were wrong.

No one knows the date or time when that will happen, only God.

Jesus said that he came that we should have life in all its fullness, I think that therefore we should enjoy it being careful to do what Jesus said in another famous statement, Love the Lord your God with all that you have and your neighbour as yourself.

If we plan to do that then things will fit into the plan God has for us.

God bless you



### ***Overseas Missions Update***

#### ***Home & Overseas Missions***

*'Let us who have 'everything' bring hope and joy to those who have 'nothing'*

A few weeks ago we had the privilege of having Ian Randle to lead one of our Sunday services when he spoke about the work he and Greta (Ian's wife) support through the work of the Jesus Echoing Ministries in India.

The work of the ministry has developed significantly. There are now fifty children being fed, clothed and supported by the charity. The ministry covers a wide geographical area and Ian's friend, Suvarna Raju Mallipudi now evangelises in West Godavary, Khammam and Visakaptnam, districts of the state of Andhra Pradesh. The group is in desperate need of a new vehicle to further the work of the gospel. For the past few years Suvarna has used a second hand vehicle which unfortunately is now reduced to scrap having been repaired many times it recently broke down and burned out due to electrical faults. Suvarna now has to rely on public transport which is crowded, hot, slow and terribly inadequate.

Travel to the churches is impossible because of the long distances into the tribal areas. Due to this ministry there is both spiritual and numerical growth in the churches – fruitfulness indeed by the grace of God.

Ian and Greta plan to raise £13,000 for a new vehicle. To date there is £2125.79 in the fund.

We plan to send Ian and Greta some money from our Overseas Missions Account, but if you would like to increase that gift then please hand me your donation, or leave it on the plate in the church vestibule. Additionally, your prayers will be a great encouragement for this ministry in India.

***Audrey and Barrie***

***Home and Overseas Missions Secretaries***

### **Thank you**

"Avril and Neil would like to thank everyone for their cards and condolences following the recent passing of both of our mothers, Muriel Bredin and Joan McIntyre. Avril would especially like to thank those who very generously contributed to the By All Means Gospel Trust fund, in memory of her mother. The much appreciated donations have now been forwarded to BAM towards the furtherance of their work in spreading the message both at home and abroad. Bless you all."