

### **Prayer Matters**

Pray for Olga Abrahams, together with Michael, Angela, Josh, Sam & Beth in their bereavement.

Pray for Jayne Fleet, as she continues with the drug trial; that it will be effective and that there will be no unpleasant side-effects..

Pray for the whole Fleet family at this challenging time.

Pray for Jenny Ismay, Maureen Stafford, Melita Morgala, Evelyn Whinham and Purvis MacNaughton.

Continue to pray for those who have various complaints which don't seem to go away as quickly as we would like.

### **Thank You**

Olga Abrahams would like to thank everyone for their prayers, phone calls, cards and expressions of love over difficult times. We rest in the love of the Lord.

**Time for Prayer** – 7pm to 8pm every Tuesday.

Come for any length of time that suits you.

"Prayer does not change God, but it changes him who prays."

Soren Kierkegaard.

### **Women's Prayer Meeting**

Mon. 8th, 15th & 29th January at 1.45pm at Hilary Buck's home.

### **Preaching elsewhere**

Stew Johnson Jan. 28th Jarrow Baptist Church (am)

Jan. 28th Newsham Independent Methodist (pm)

David Green Jan. 28th Marsden Road Baptist Church, South Shields

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Our God is a "with us" God.

On the heels of the celebration of the birth of our King, that reminder has the power to carry us right into a fresh, new start. He is Immanuel, God with us. And though things and people around us shift and change, our God never changes.

"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness." Lam. 3:22-23

## Sundays in January 2018

### 10am at Whitley Lodge First School

#### 7th January

“Be alert, persistent, brave and strong”

1 Cor.16:13

Rev. Paul Richards

#### 14th January

Solving Job's problems (1)

“Eliphaz - Have you tried praying?”

Job 3-4

#### COMMUNION

Rev. Paul Richards

#### 21st January

Solving Job's problems (2)

“Bildad - Have you tried snapping out of it?”

Job 18

Rev. Paul Richards

#### 28th January

Solving Job's problems (3)

“Zophar - Perhaps God is just cross with you ”

Job 20

Rev. Paul Richards

#### Doug Abrahams

I am sorry to have to report the death of our dear friend Doug Abrahams. Doug was diagnosed with pneumonia on Wed. 27th Dec. After an initial improvement he took a turn for the worse and passed away at 9am on 28th Dec. Doug, together with Olga, served the Lord with OMF in Japan for 35 years, before returning to the UK.

No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach the eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

## Dates for your diary

### Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to join our rotas for the following:

Chairs, Greeting folk at the door, Sound system, Flowers, Coffee  
Please see John Penman if you can help.

### “42” - Exploring the meaning of life, the universe and everything

Thu. January 11th - 7.30pm @ The Kittiwake

“Are Men Being Phased Out?”

Sixty minutes to solve all the world's problems! Followed by the quiz.

### Women Together

No meeting in January

### Church Leaders Meeting

Thurs. February 15th - 2pm @ The Manse - Business meeting

### Good News Club - Restarts on 17th Jan.

For further information please contact the Children's Team on:  
children@whitleylodgebaptist.org.uk Tel: 07581278485

### Light Bite and Banter

Thurs. January 11th. Please continue to pray for this outreach venture.

### Housegroups

Groups take place at the following homes:

Wed 2.00pm @ The Manse

Wed. 7.30pm @ Peter & Elaine Young's

N.B. When there is a midweek evening meeting at church,  
there will be no housegroups that week.

### Life is a Symphony

A programme of Gospel songs and Inspirational stories presented by Reg & Angie Heasley at 4pm - 5pm every Sunday on [www.beachhutradio.com](http://www.beachhutradio.com)

### News

If you have items for the bulletin, could you please send them (preferably by e-mail) to David Green by the Thursday prior to the final Sunday of the month.