

Revd. Barrie Heafford, RIP

Revd. Barrie Heafford, minister in the Cambridge Circuit in the 1990s, passed away on Tuesday 4th February at Stoke Mandeville Hospital. He loved, helped and influenced many, and will be greatly missed. A service of thanksgiving for his life will be held at Aylesbury Methodist Church at 2pm tomorrow (Monday 17th February).



Lent Course – “Time to talk of God”

Times and venues for this year’s Lent Course are now confirmed as:

- Monday afternoons (2pm to 4pm) at Castle Street Methodist Church, starting on 10th March;
- Wednesday evenings (time to be confirmed) at St. Luke’s Church, Victoria Road, starting on 12th March;
- Thursday afternoons (1.30pm to 3.20pm) at Haslingfield Methodist Church, starting on 13th March;
- Thursday evenings (7.45pm to 9.45pm) in the homes of various members of Sturton Street Methodist Church (in central Cambridge and Coton), starting on 13th March.

All are very welcome to take part in this course – please indicate which time and venue would be best for you either by signing the sheet on the notice board or by contacting Revd. Alison Walker. Each group will study the same material each week, so it should be possible to swap groups on a temporary basis if that becomes necessary.



Italian Evening at Wesley House – Wednesday 19th February

Details of this event have appeared on several notice sheets in recent weeks. The evening is a social fundraiser to support the Italian Methodist student (usually one each year) who come to study in the UK, an obligatory part of their ministerial training.

Sadly, Erica Newbury’s mother has recently died and Erica is currently in Italy, so she is not available to answer any queries or take bookings. Tickets can be bought on the door (£10 adults, £7 students, £5 children) but they need to know numbers for catering – please contact Revd. Alison Walker if you plan to go along but haven’t yet booked a ticket.

Wildfire production

The first get-together for Castle Street's centenary musical production will be on Wednesday 26th February between 7.30pm and 9pm, in the Aldersgate room. This will mostly be an opportunity to listen to the music, and then decide what would be good times to have future rehearsals. See *Castle View* or Brian Carter for more about the production.



"A Faith to Live By" – Christianity and Contemporary Culture

This evening (Sunday 16th February) at 6.30pm at Haslingfield Methodist Church, Revd. Dr. Cindy Wesley will lead the next in this series. It will feature a time of worship, a presentation, refreshments and discussion.

Although polls tell us that the number of people identifying themselves as Christian in the United Kingdom is declining, the products of this culture often express deep yearnings for grace, hope, forgiveness, redemption, meaning and other themes that are part of the gospel message. This presentation will use examples from film, music, and / or art to generate discussion on how Christianity might speak good news into our culture. Cindy Wesley is an ordained elder in the United Methodist Church (USA) with over fifteen years of experience in ministry with local churches. Before joining Wesley House in Cambridge, she trained academically in Church History and Doctrine and lectured at undergraduate and post-graduate levels. She strongly encourages the ministry of the whole people of God and believes that when lay people understand their faith they become empowered to do the ministry to which God is calling them.



Activities at other churches (see previous notice sheets for details)

- Friday (21st) at 7pm – quiz evening at Histon Methodist Church. Proceeds towards the Histon Development Fund. Tickets (£8) from Robin and Joy McCombie (tel.: (01223) 232 391).
- Saturday (22nd) at 6.30pm – "A Taste of Thailand" at St. Luke's. Tickets (£10) from Castle Street stewards. See *Castle View* for more information.
- Saturday (22nd) at 7.45pm – concert at Royston Methodist Church, given by the Holy Saviour Choir, with organ and other instrumental solos. Tickets (£8) from Brian Norwood (tel.: (01763) 241 066). Proceeds shared between church funds and the local Mayor's Charities.

Event for Fairtrade Fortnight

On Wednesday 26th February in the café at Emmanuel United Reformed Church, Trumpington Street, from 6pm until 8pm there will be an event for Fairtrade Fortnight. Sue Bentley, chair of the National Campaigner Committee for Fairtrade, will talk about this year's campaign, and there will be a presentation and video of the importance of fair-trade in the promotion of a Cambridge student-led social enterprise, AndesCrafts. Meet others with concerns about justice, poverty and sustainability, and enjoy sampling Fairtrade wines, juice and nibbles. If you would like to attend, please e-mail fairtrade.cambridge@hotmail.co.uk.



Accommodation required from September

We have been contacted by a local preacher (Emma) from Loughborough who is looking for accommodation for her eighteen-year-old daughter, who has been offered a training internship at Price Waterhouse Cooper on Castle Hill from September.

Emma says it would be great if her daughter could find a room in a Christian household, and is happy to pay her way. She is eighteen, quiet with a good sense of humour, easy to get along with, a member of the Girls' Brigade (working toward her leadership badges and hoping to do her Queen's Award), and is currently doing confirmation classes for full membership into the church.

Although the internship is for two years, a short stay in the first instance, until she finds her feet and a friendship group, would be much appreciated. She will have a bike and may have a car to get to work if public transport isn't suitable. If anyone can help, please ring Emma on (01509) 260 129 or e-mail emma.lowe@phoncoop.coop.



Items for the March Castle View...

... should be with its Editor, Colin Moule, today please.

Please contact **Brian Carter** if you have any items for inclusion on next week's notice sheet, ideally by Friday evening.

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