

January
Bulletin

**Herne Hill**
Baptist Church
LONDON

Happy 2010!

If God were to write us a letter with thoughts about the New Year, I guess we all would wonder what He might say and would also have different ideas about the content, hoping perhaps for specific answers or direction.

But whatever situation we find ourselves in, now, or during the course of the New Year, there are a number of things that God would say that apply to us all – in every situation..... God's letter may read something like this:

My Dearest Child,

As this New Year comes, be assured that I know the plans that I have for you, plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope. You will call upon Me and come to Me and pray to Me and I will listen to you. And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all of your heart.

Come to me if you are heavily laden; bring your burdens to Me because I will give your heart rest. I never asked you be alone or work alone, it is not by power or by might that things are achieved - I have given you my Spirit and in Him and through Him you will see the fruit of your labour.

I am with you always even to the end of the age and I will never leave you nor forsake you and be assured that nothing can separate you from my love.

*Things may change in your life, but I am the Lord and I do not change. With all my unconditional love,
Father God*

And on those words may our faith, security and hope rest in the coming year.

With much love

Pastor Andrew

Welcome

If you are visiting us, a very warm welcome to you, we hope you enjoy the fellowship. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask us - and please stay for refreshments after the service...

Gertrude Lowe

Gertrude Lowe was called to glory on December the 19th 2009. She will be greatly missed by us all especially those who visited her at home as she became less able. Gertrude had a tremendous faith and continually thanked God for every day He gave to her.

Her funeral will be held on Tuesday January 12th - 13.00 at the church. You are welcome to come and join us as we give thanks together for her life.

Special thanks

"To the organisers of the Church Christmas Lunch, you really pulled out all the stops.

I enjoy all the church lunches, it is so nice to get a chance to talk to other members and friends in an informal way.

Thanks once again and God bless you all"

Thanks to all involved for all the hard work.

A **baptismal service** is planned for Sunday 24th January – please see pastor if you are not yet baptised, he will be happy to chat to you!

New Year Party for
Young People -
9th Jan

CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S NEW YEAR PARTY

R U AGED 0 - 18? YES? THEN PARTY ON DOWN AT HERNE HILL BC'S CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S NEW YEAR PARTY ON SATURDAY 9 JANUARY 2010 4 - 6pm

INCLUDING GREAT GAMES, DANCING, LOTS OF LOVELY SCOFF AND.....THE ALTERNATIVE X FACTOR TALENT CONTEST

FOR FREE TICKETS, DETAILS AND TO REGISTER YOUR ACT CONTACT JULIA GALE ON 0208 693 9768

NEW Workshops

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We have arranged a series of workshops for those interested in developing gifts and skills within the body. Some will run after service, others will be at different times.

10th January – Sound desk training with Patrick.

24th January – Voice projection and microphone use with Patrick and Claire.

NEW for 2010

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Freedom In Christ daytime course starts 13th January 09.30 at the church. All welcome.

Please continue to pray:

for Gertrude Lowe's family as they mourn her passing, Mary Jones and all those who you know would benefit from your prayers.

Mission: please pray for Lynn Kellers in China, Mike and Heather Wheate - OM, David, Grace, Treya and Issac in Jamaica, Ian and Jean McColl - Mercy Ship, Rodney Radcliffe – FGBMI London.

Congratulations

Congratulations to John and Liz Auger on the birth of their baby girl Ella Mary, born 18th December – 8lb 4oz. (Congratulation to Grandma and Grandpa Auger too!)

House groups are meeting and on the back of the bulletin there is a list of contacts and the areas they are in. You are welcome to attend any house group you choose – you do not have attend the one in your specific area.

www.hernehillbaptistchurch.org

for all the news and details of our church and its events. You can view or download a copy of this bulletin and also the preaching/teaching from selected services.

Dates for January 2010

Sunday services

A prayer meeting is held each Sunday before service at 10.00 in the front reception hall. It will include a short teaching of about five minutes and then a time of prayer and worship. **Everyone is welcome!**

- 3rd 10.30 **New Year's morning service – "Vision and Purpose"**
10th 10.30 **Morning Worship – resuming our study on James**
17th 10.30 **Morning Worship – Communion**
24th 10.30 **Baptismal Service**
31st 10.30 **Family Service with the youth team**

Other events

- Sunday after service **10th - Workshop** – sound desk operation **NEW**
24th - Workshop – voice projection and microphone use
- Tuesday at 10.00 **Women's Bible Study** group at the Church. Babies and toddlers welcome but not essential. Contact Liz Brown.
- Tuesday at 14.30 **Women's Fellowship**. Contact Peggy Baker. Restarts Tuesday 5th Jan.
- Tuesday 20.00 **Weekly church prayer and praise meeting**. See Bev Joseph or John Gilman.
- NEW** Wednesdays 09.30 **Freedom in Christ daytime discipleship course**. Starts 13th January.
- Wednesdays 20.00 **Freedom in Christ Discipleship Course**. Restarts 13th Jan.
- Wednesday morning **Moonbeams** parents & toddlers group. Contact Liz Brown.
- Fridays 7pm – 9.30pm **Blu Room**. Youth group event - Contact Luke Davies. Restarts Friday 8th Jan.
- Each weekday morning **Mustard Seed Pre-school**. Contact Miranda Tongeman.

Home Group Meeting contacts:

- Mondays 20.00: **(At church)** – Beatrice Stevens
- Wednesdays 20.00: **Herne Hill area** - Dot Briggs. **Dulwich area** - Tamsin Symonds. **Norwood area** - Earl Rose. **Brixton/Herne Hill** - Maggie Matheson.
- Thursday 20.00: **Camberwell area** – Peter Chodel.

Pastor is in his office on Mondays and if you would like to see him on any issue – or just fancy a cuppa – please feel free to pop in. If you wish to see him at any other time, it would be best to make an appointment.

For more information on these events please call the church office any weekday morning or see the ministry leader. (More details on the web site.)

If you have anything for the February bulletin, please ensure it is passed to the general office (preferably via email) no later than January 27th 2010.

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