



# Contact

MAGAZINE

**SEPTEMBER 2018**

Motto 2018

I have  
hidden  
your word  
**in my heart**  
that I might  
not sin against you.



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# From your Pastor Andrew Gale

Romans 12:15 Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

You will have noticed that there was no article from me last month, most of you will know why, we were going through a difficult family situation. While there may still be difficult times ahead we are better and moving forward again.

As a family we were very grateful for those who wrote, sent flowers and cards, for those we knew were praying for us. It was a situation where most of you couldn't help in any practical way, though I am grateful to the elders and others who covered my work while I was on leave. As in so many pastoral situations, there were no magic words that could heal the situation or make the problems go away. As we went through our buffeting it was very comforting to know that so many were praying for us, acknowledging our pain and thinking of us. So much of our care for each other is like that, there is little of a practical nature that can be done but holding each other in prayer is so valuable.

The practical ministries of sending flowers each week and harvest boxes underline our love and support for each other, something solid that says we care.

So, thank you again, and let me encourage you to continue caring for each other, thinking and praying for those going through hard times and telling them that you are doing so.

**We share each other's woes,  
Our mutual burdens bear;  
And often for each other flows  
The sympathizing tear.**

Andrew

Our Historic Article is from Mr Spurgeon from the May 1876 edition of *The Sword and Trowel*:

“It is good for a man to bear the yoke of service, and he is no loser when it is exchanged for the yoke of suffering. May not severe discipline fall to the lot of some to qualify them for their office of under-shepherds? How can we speak with consoling authority to a situation which we have never known? The complete pastor’s life will be an epitome of the lives of his people, and they will turn to his preaching as men do to David’s psalms, to see themselves and their sorrows, as in a mirror. Their needs will be the reason for his griefs. As in the case of the Lord himself, perfect equipment for his work came only through suffering, and so must it be for those who are called to follow him in binding up the broken-hearted, and loosing the prisoners.

Souls still remain in our churches to whose deep and dark experiences we shall never be able to minister till we also have been plunged in the abyss where all Jehovah’s waves roll over our heads. If this be the fact – and we are sure it is – then may we heartily welcome anything which will make us fitter channels of blessing. For the elect’s sake it shall be joy to endure all things, and to bear a part of – ‘that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body’s sake, which is the church’.”

## **BMS World Mission**

### **Birthdays**

1st	Mary Quinn
6th	Lesley Lee
	Lynda Hill
10th	Connie Archer
11th	Gerald Hale
15th	Rita Gibbs
16th	Ann Norman
20th	David Hobbs
23rd	Janet Summerlin
	Hannah Lowen
28th	Pat Ridyard

**Perry Green Services**  
**At 6.00 pm**

- 2nd. Mrs. Philippa Watson  
9th. Mr. Erwin Tadiar (c)  
16th. Rev. Andrew Gale  
23rd. Tea and Hymns at Central 3.30 pm  
30th. T.B.A.

**TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP**

We meet at 2.30 pm. On the first Tuesday of each month at Perry Green Baptist Chapel.

4th - Andrew Gale

# *Flowers for the Sanctuary*

- 2nd Shirley, David and family – Remembering Peter and Nellie.
- 9th Mrs. Rita Gibbs – In loving memory of very dear parents.
- 16th In loving memory of my dear wife Hazel from Zac Sereaton.
- 23rd In loving memory of John from Hazel Tomblin and family.  
HARVEST.
- 30th Thursday Afternoon Fellowship.

Said the Robin to the Sparrow:  
“I should really like to know  
Why those anxious human beings rush and worry so”  
Said the Sparrow to the Robin:  
“Friend, I think that it must be  
That they have no heavenly Father such as cares for you and  
me.”

Elizabeth Cheney.

Each morning when I wake I say  
 I place my hand in GOD'S today;  
 I know he'll walk close to my side  
 My every wandering step to guide  
 He leads me with the tenderest care  
 When paths are dark and I despair —  
 No need for me to understand  
 If I but hold fast to his hand.

My hand in His no surer way  
 To walk in safety through each day  
 By His great bounty I am fed  
 Warmed by His love and comforted

When at Day's End I seek my rest  
 and realise how much I'm blessed  
 My thanks pour out to Him  
 and then  
 I place my Hand in GOD'S again



## **Programme of Events**

### **JUMP (Tuesdays)**

(10.00 am - 11.30 am Term Time)

4th

11th

18th

25th

### **Ladies in Fellowship Together(L.I.F.T.)**

11th - No Meeting

25th - Members' Evening and Fellowship Supper.  
Please bring along an interesting object to talk about. Or you may talk about a holiday memory.

### **Thursday Afternoon Fellowship**

**(At 2.30 pm)**

6th            Audrey Pratt

13th          Paul Careana

20th          Mr. Le Page

27th          Mrs. Jan Sinclair

**CHURCH DIARY**  
**SUNDAY WORSHIP**  
**Morning 10.45 am**

(Services led by Minister unless, otherwise stated)

*A prayer meeting is held every Sunday before the morning service from 10 am in the Prayer Room*

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| 2nd  | All Age service               |
| 9th  | Baptismal service             |
| 16th | Communion                     |
| 23rd | Harvest Festival Led by Erwin |
| 30th | Fifth Sunday Special          |

Tea and Hymns led by Ruth Tiso is at 3:30pm on 23rd September

***On Sunday evenings we meet at our chapel in Perry Green at 6 pm, if you would like a lift please try to let the pastor know but the lifts leave Cumberland Street Entrance at 5:45 pm sharp.***

## **FELLOWSHIP NEWS AS AT 12TH AUGUST 2018**

CONGRATULATIONS TO:-

CONNIE ARCHER who will be 95 on 10th September

LINDA HILL who will be 80 on 6th September

EDNA SMITH who will be 90 on 29th September

A number of people have been poorly, or had appointments, treatments and tests etc., including – OLIVE BROOKS (minor op), ALAN DUDLEY, GERALD HALE, HAZEL LITTLEWORTH and HILARY OGBERIGBE.

We have recently heard of the death of Betty Gale at the age of 92. Betty was introduced to our Thursday Afternoon Fellowship many years ago by her friend Eva Boden and came as often as could until her death. She regularly attended her local church but we always included in things like the Retired Persons Holiday Club and the Summer Outing and Tea and Hymns. She will be greatly missed. Our love and sympathy to all her family and friends.

We would remember all those mentioned and others we may not know about. We pray for renewed health and strength for those not well, help and encouragement to those who are anxious about loved ones or find themselves in changed circumstances. May we do all we can to support each other.

Ann M Norman.

### **HARVEST DISTRIBUTION**

Drivers are required for Monday 24th September at 11.00 am.

Please let Ann know.

## Poem of the Month

Last month's poem was by Annie Johnson Flint who lived from 1866-1932. She was afflicted with arthritis, which probably accounts for the theme of suffering in her poetry.

Here is this month's short poem, which is entitled the Lost Sheep:

Only one,

that He goes to find, leaving the 99 behind.

Rest assured He will always look for His  
lost one,

caught in the wilderness of the world.

# The Notice Board

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you each month by

*Andrew Tomblin*

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**Donations for postage for Contact from:**

**Thank You**



Harvest

Tea and Hymns

23<sup>rd</sup> September at 3.30pm

Sunday ~~22<sup>nd</sup> July 3.30pm~~

Drink tea and sing hymns

Fellowship, praise, tea and cakes



## ***SEPTEMBER 2018***

**In everything by prayer and petition  
let your requests be known to God.**

**A monthly prayer calendar to help  
us remember different aspects of  
our Church life and beyond.**



## **TOPICS FOR PRAYER**

**Sat 1<sup>st</sup>:** Pray that our young people are having fun and fellowship in Broadstairs

**Sun 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Pray for our church service today

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Pray for children and teachers as they return to school

**Tues 4<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for those starting new jobs

**Weds 5<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for those who are unwell

**Thurs 6<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for parents and grandparents

**Fri 7<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for Boys Brigade

**Sat 8<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for those arranging flowers for church

**Sun 9<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for the baptismal service today

**Mon 10<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for Girls Brigade quiz night and all who attend

**Tues 11<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for leaders and family of those attending J.U.M.P

**Weds 12<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for those who are unemployed

**Thurs 13<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for carers

**Fri 14<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for those who mourn

**Sat 15<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for those returning to university and those going for the first time

**Sun 16<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for our communion service today

**Mon 17<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for Girls Brigade and Boys Brigade awards evening

**Tues 18<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for church meeting tonight

**Weds 19<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for those who are retired

**Thurs 20<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for our town

**Fri 21<sup>st</sup>:** Pray for those who maintain our church building

**Sat 22<sup>nd</sup>:** Pray for those getting the church ready for harvest



**Sun 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Pray for our harvest surface this  
morning and our Roots youth service  
tonight

**Mon 24<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for those distributing harvest  
parcels

**Tues 25<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for our L.I.F.T group

**Weds 26<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for those who are lonely

**Thurs 27<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for our Thursday Afternoon  
Fellowship

**Fri 28<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for those facing redundancy

**Sat 29<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for our young people

**Sun 30<sup>th</sup>:** Pray for the leadership of our church

## Weekly Church Activities

### **Sunday**

10.45 am Morning Service  
Communic8 and Crèche  
6.00 pm Evening Service

### **Monday**

1.00 - 3.00 pm Watercolour Art Club  
6.30 - 9.15 pm Girls Brigade (5-18 years)

### **Tuesday**

10.00 -11.30 am **JUMP** (Join Us Mums & Pre-schoolers). During term time  
2.00 - 4.00 pm Short mat bowls  
8.00 pm Ladies in Fellowship Together (LIFT)  
(2nd & 4th week)  
10.00 - 12.00 pm Men's Prayer Meeting

### **Wednesday**

9.30 am (1st Week) Open Prayer Meeting

### **Thursday**

2.30 pm Thursday Afternoon Fellowship

### **Friday**

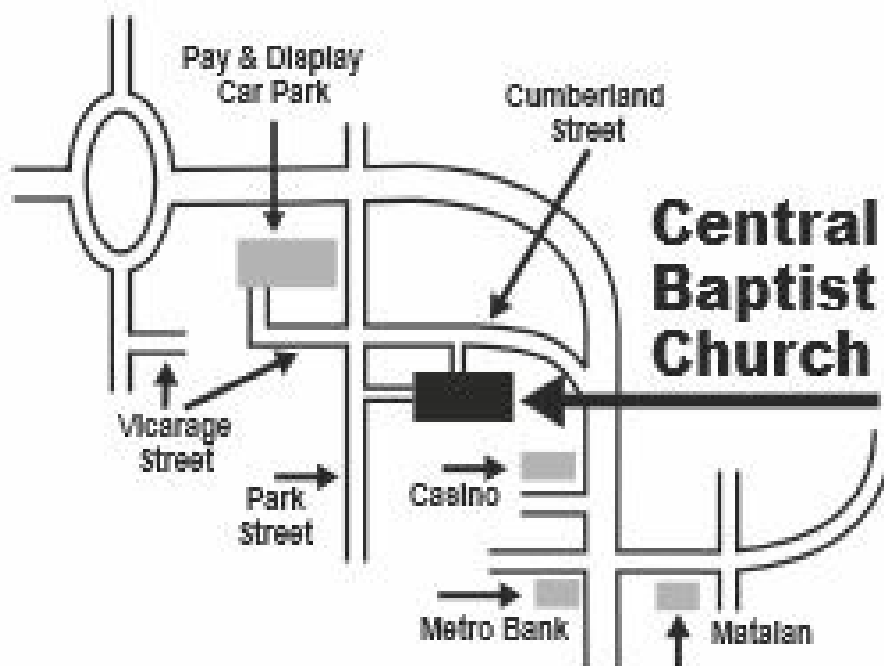
6.45 -9.30 pm Boys Brigade

### **Saturday**

7.00 - 9.00 pm Youth Group -11 years plus

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