



The
United
Reformed
Church

Bamford Chapel & Norden URC



July & August 2019

BAMFORD CHAPEL & NORDEN URC

MISSION/VISION STATEMENT



Loving God, Serving Others,
Building Community

Worship

In our devotion we will come together to express our joy, love and thanks through worship.

We shall share our praise and dedicate it to God.

Ministry

Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit we will show compassion and love by understanding, supporting and meeting the spiritual, the physical and the emotional needs of others.

Evangelism

We are called as Christians to share the good news; living as examples of Christ in our everyday lives we can spread the word and love of Jesus.

Discipleship

We as a church have a responsibility as Christians to encourage people to know God and to enable them to develop their relationship with Him through prayer, discussion, study and learning.

Fellowship

We welcome to our church family those who want to belong. We show our love for others by sharing acts of fellowship in God's name.



July 2019

Monday 1 st July	7.30 pm	Focus on Prayer Meeting (God Squad Room)
Tuesday 2 nd July	8.00 pm	Tuesday Home Group (usually meets at the Manse)
Thursday 4 th July	7.30 pm	Elders' Meeting (please pray for the Elders as they meet)
Friday 5 th July	1.30 pm	Bamford and Norden Dementia Friendly Café
Sunday 7 th July	10.30 am	Family Worship with Communion Led by Revd Richard Bradley
	12 noon	Holiday Club Meeting (come along if you want to help!)
	6.30 pm	Evening Worship Led by David Watson
Monday 8 th July	7.30 pm	Focus on Prayer Meeting (God Squad Room)
Saturday 13 th July	2.00 pm	Garden Party (see page 3)
Sunday 14 th July	10.30 am	Family Worship Led by Andy Platt
	12.15 pm	Elders' Vision Meeting (please pray as we discuss the Church)
	6.30 pm	Evening Worship Led by Revd Richard Bradley
Monday 15 th July	7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting and Prayer Walk (God Squad Room)
Tuesday 16 th July	8.00 pm	Tuesday Home Group (usually meets at the Manse)
Thursday 18 th July	7.30 pm	Finance Meeting

Sunday 21st July	10.30 am	Family Worship Led by Revd Richard Bradley
	11.45 am	Church Meeting (please do your best to attend)
	6.30 pm	Evening Worship with Communion Led by Ken Greer
Monday 22 nd July	7.30 pm	Focus on Prayer Meeting (God Squad Room)
	7.30 pm	Missional Partnership Steering Group Meeting (please pray for the meeting & all that will be discussed)
Sunday 28th July	10.30 am	Family Worship Led by Revd Richard Bradley
	6.30 pm	Evening Worship Led by Dot Craig
Monday 29 th July	7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting and Prayer Walk (God Squad Room)

August 2019

Thursday 1 st August	7.30 pm	Elders' Meeting (please pray for the Elders as they meet)
Friday 2 nd August	1.00 pm	Wedding of Zoe Davies and Adam Watson (open invitation to all)
Sunday 4th August	10.30 am	Family Worship with Communion Led by Revd Richard Bradley
	6.30 pm	Evening Worship Led by Revd Richard Bradley
Monday 5 th August	10.00 am	Waste Watchers Children's Holiday Club
Tuesday 6 th August	10.00 am	Waste Watchers Children's Holiday Club
Wednesday 7 th August	10.00 am	Waste Watchers Children's Holiday Club

Thursday 8 th August	10.00 am	Waste Watchers Children's Holiday Club
Friday 9 th August	10.00 am	Waste Watchers Children's Holiday Club
Sunday 11 th August	10.30 am	Family Worship Holiday Club Themed
	6.30 pm	Evening Worship Led by Walter Brisk
Sunday 18 th August	10.30 am	Family Worship Led by Andy Platt
	6.30 pm	Evening Worship with Communion Led by Margaret Ogden
Sunday 25 th August	10.30 am	Family Worship Led by Ken Greer
	NO EVENING SERVICE - BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND	
Sunday 1 st September	10.30 am	Family Worship with Communion Led by Margaret Ogden
	6.30 pm	Evening Worship Led by David Watson



Garden Party

Saturday 13th July at 2pm

Bring your friends and enjoy the day

Rochdale Music Service Band and Pop Choir

Tombola, Cream Teas, Bottle Stall, Ice Creams
and much more

Thanks to our main sponsor - Reside Estate Agents

Offers of help and items to Julie Platt please

Weekday Opportunities for Learning & Sharing Fellowship

- Monday:** 9.00 am Monday Maintenance Gang
(who do work in or around the building)
10.00 am Pastoral Meeting
1.30 pm Bridge Club
7.30 pm Focus on Prayer (God Squad Room)
8.00 pm Monday Night Home Group
- Tuesday:** 9.00 – 11.00 am Toddlers' Group
1.30 – 4.00 pm Indoor Bowls (Upstairs Hall)
From 6.00 pm Rainbows, Brownies, Guides
- Wednesday:** 12 noon Luncheon Club
6.30 pm Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association
7.30 pm Home Group 'Exploring the Bible'
(Cancelled until September)
- Thursday:** 10.00 am Community Coffee Morning
- Friday:** 6.00 pm onwards Beavers, Cubs and Scouts
- Sunday:** 7.30 pm God Squad (for Teenagers)

Fortnightly & Monthly Opportunities

- Tuesday:** **Stillness & Sharing** 2nd & 16th July 6th & 20th August
2.15 pm in the Lounge
Home Group 2nd July & 16th July
8.00 pm (usually at the Manse)
- Thursday:** **Ladies Fellowship** 8th August
7.45 pm (Summer Outing - see page 16)
Heritage Group 18th July & 15th August
7.00 pm (3rd Thursday in the month)
- Saturday:** **Ian Newman Community Film Club (see page 22)**
6.30 pm refreshments 20th July & 17th August
7.00 pm film Admission £3.00

Further information on the **weekly notice sheet** or visit the website at
www.bcnchurch.org.uk or speak to an Elder.

Prayer Meetings

In this year of prayer, alongside the daily prayer papers that I produce, there is our weekly ‘Focus on Prayer’ group. This is sometimes a stand alone time of prayer where the group gather to pray for the church, the world and ourselves. On other occasions this meeting also has people who go out and deliver prayer cards and pray on and for each of the roads we cover. The dates of the meetings are below for the July and September periods.

As I pen this article we have delivered 4371 prayer cards on approximately 204 roads on 37 prayer walks. We have covered all of Bamford and are now covering Norden and the Caldershaw Housing estate. That is probably about 10,000 people that have been prayed for.

Date and time	Type of meeting	Room to meet in
Monday 1st July 7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting	God Squad Room
Monday 8th July 7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting	God Squad Room
Monday 15th July 7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting & Prayer Walk	God Squad Room
Monday 22nd July 7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting	God Squad Room
Monday 29th July 7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting & Prayer Walk	God Squad Room
No meetings during August		
Monday 2nd September 7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting	God Squad Room
Monday 9th September 7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting & Prayer Walk	God Squad Room
Monday 16th September 7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting	God Squad Room
Monday 23rd September 7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting & Prayer Walk	God Squad Room
Monday 30th September 7.30 pm	Prayer Meeting	God Squad Room

Message from the Manse

“When the day of Pentecost came they were all gathered together in one place... All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit”

(Acts 2:1 & 4a)



As I write this article the day after Pentecost Sunday I do so with the words of Acts 2 in my mind. The words of Acts 2 teach us about the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. When these twelve disciples were gathered together, and in what always appears to be a rather short and unexpected moment, the power of the Holy Spirit came as a strong wind and what appeared to be tongues of fire that came and rested on the disciples. We must never forget the power that brought the church to birth! The power that brought about a change in Peter, one of Jesus' closest disciples. He stood up and explained why the disciples were acting as if they were drunk and then went on to preach the gospel – the Good News of Jesus' birth, death and resurrection. And the response from the people was astonishing – after Peter finished preaching **“Those who accepted his message were baptised, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.”** (Acts 2:41)

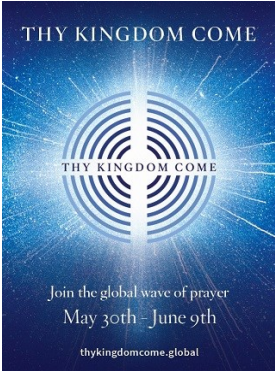
Peter was enabled to speak as he did because the Holy Spirit was in him. Peter was one of the first disciples to recognise who Jesus was but then went on to deny him three times. But Acts 2, the coming of the Holy Spirit, changed Peter and the other disciples and indeed all believers at that time in the most powerful of ways. As surely as I am writing this article, I believe that same Holy Spirit is working in the Church today. That same Holy Spirit is working in people today.

I believe we need to pray for God to bless us with more of the Holy Spirit. For we can never be the church God wants us to be if we go

about things in our own strength and abilities. We need to seek the Holy Spirit and allow the Holy Spirit to work in us and through us, to allow the Holy Spirit to change us and transform us into the people God wants us to be, so that we can go out and share the Good News that we meet each week to celebrate as Church.

May the Holy Spirit fill each one of us and guide us in all we do as we seek to work with Christ in extending His kingdom here on earth.

Your Servant in Christ, Richard

 A poster for 'Thy Kingdom Come' featuring a central graphic of concentric circles with a vertical line through the center, set against a blue background with light rays. Text on the poster includes 'THY KINGDOM COME' at the top and bottom, 'Join the global wave of prayer May 30th - June 9th', and the website 'thykingdomcome.global' at the bottom.	<h2>Thy Kingdom Come</h2> <p>A huge thanks to everyone who attended the “Thy Kingdom Come” prayer times in Church the week commencing 3rd June. About 33 people came across the three times of prayer.</p> <p>A special thanks from me to Debbie Wood and Joan Warner who worked hard in the planning of the times of prayer.</p>
<p>Watch this space for the next special prayer times.</p>	
<p><i>God Bless, Richard</i></p>	

<h2>Church Membership</h2> <p>Have you thought about Church Membership? When someone becomes a member of the United Reformed Church they become a member of a local Church like ours. I am planning on running two sessions to discuss Church Membership in September and October. If you are interested in becoming a member please let me know in the coming weeks and we can set two dates for those who might be interested. If you simply want to find out more about Church Membership and not necessarily commit to it at this time you are also welcome to come along.</p> <p><i>Thanks and God Bless, Richard</i></p>
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Pulpit Supply Secretary **URGENTLY NEEDED**



As a church we are in need of a Pulpit Supply Secretary. Unfortunately, no one has come forward to date. If we don't have someone to do it we will go without a preacher on some Sundays.

The role entails seeking preachers to fill our weekly services. It may be that in the Missional Partnership we will have joint meetings of Pulpit Supply Secretaries and fill preaching rotas that way. At present I am working on the January to June 2020 preaching rota, so the job will not be onerous as I am trying to get ahead.

We will need to compile a list of preachers and contact numbers, but I can assist the person with this. We are very blessed to have several willing preachers here at Bamford Chapel and Norden URC.

Please, would someone consider taking this role on?

God Bless, Richard



Visitor from Taiwan **21 June - 4 July**

A minister from the Chaiyi Presbytery in Taiwan, which is linked to our North Western Synod, will be visiting the UK soon and will be staying with Addie & Barbara for much of his stay. We expect he will attend church on 23rd and 30th June and perhaps some other church activities, so please look out for him and make him welcome. He writes English very well, but will not be accustomed to our accent, so please speak slowly and clearly to him.

Holiday Club – 2019

In August we will be leading another children's Holiday Club in Church from **Monday to Friday 5th – 9th August from 10am to 12.15pm**. If you are able to help out with any of the days please indicate on the green sign-up sheet on the notice board. If you are not able to help during the week but are happy to help plan and prepare in advance then please indicate this in the right hand column. The next **holiday club meeting is on Sunday 7th July** after the morning service.

Come and join us for our summer holiday club

@ Bamford Chapel and Norden URC

Norden Road, Bamford, OL11 5PQ



Monday 5th August to Friday 9th August 2019 – 10am—12.15pm

For children aged 5 to 11

See our website: <http://www.bcnchurch.org.uk/about-us/children-and-youth/>

Find us also on Facebook—Bamford Chapel and Norden URC

£1 per child per session—spaces are limited please phone to book places
contact: Richard on 01706 369622 or minister@bcnchurch.org.uk

If you know of any children aged 5-11 who might like to come then please feel free to pass on the information to them. Flyers are available below the poster under the clock.

Thanks and God Bless, Richard

Coach for Cath Atkinson's Ordination St Helen's - 31st August

Please sign up "under the clock" as soon as possible

First come, first served

Cost £10 return

If you intend going in your own car
please speak to Anne Fitton



Twenty Years Ago August/September 1999 Magazine

Each month from twenty years ago I will extract an article[s] from the magazine. Here are 2 articles from the August/September edition.

CHURCH AND FAMILY NEWS [page 1]

Congratulations and all good wishes to Heidi [nee Walsh] and Ben Redmond on the occasion of their marriage on Saturday, 17th July.

Happy China wedding anniversary, Heidi and Ben.

Congratulations to Linda Kerford who has achieved a B.A. in Education [2.2] at the University of Manchester. Part-time study through Bolton Institute.

May everyone [including the editors] enjoy a relaxing and refreshing holiday as the main summer break period arrives. Lesley is off to the Ukraine [Lviv] for ten days with Rochdale Music Service [ask me about this trip sometime]. Angela is escaping to Devon.

Lesley Sutton



**'For those people who did not get the chance to sign the card
or read the words, these were the sentiments
written for Cath on her leaving.'**



***So sorry to see you leave us
As we all wish you could stay
But we pray for continued progress
Now God has called you away***



***We'll miss your ideas and encouragement
Your laughter and patience too
The energy used in your services
Made us think of our life anew***

***You filled the place with kindness
Brought a smile upon each face
You will leave a void behind you
It will be hard to fill that space***

***We give thanks for the time you were with us
And prayers for your continued growth
May your life in Gods Service be fruitful
As the love of Christ guides you forth***

***God Bless
With love and very best wishes
from
Bamford Chapel & Norden URC
Rochdale***

Rotary
club of ROCHDALE



An evening with

2017 All England Masters International Champions

Milnrow Brass Band



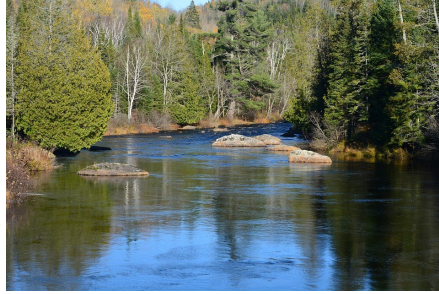
At Bamford Chapel
Saturday 6th July 2019
7.30pm

All profits in aid of
the Alzheimer's Society
and Medic Malawi

Tickets £10
Concessions £8

**Tickets available from Mike Lucas
at Bamford Chapel & Norden URC**

Serenity - Another Version



God, grant me the serenity to accept the people I cannot change, which is pretty much everyone, since I'm clearly not you, God. At least not the last time I checked.

And while you're at it, God, please give me the courage to change what I need to change about myself, which is frankly a lot since, once again, I'm not you, which means I'm not perfect.

It's better for me to focus on changing myself than to worry about changing other people who, as you'll no doubt remember me saying, I can't change anyway.

Finally, give me the wisdom to just shut up whenever I think that I'm clearly smarter than anyone else in the room, or that no-one knows what they're talking about except me, or that I alone have all the answers.

Basically, God, grant me the wisdom to remember that I'm not you.

Amen

Quiet Peace



*O Lord, my heart is all a prayer,
But it is silent unto thee;
I am too tired to look for words,
I rest upon thy sympathy
To understand when I am dumb;
And well I know thou hearest me.*

*I know thou hearest me because
A quiet peace comes down to me,
And fills the places where before
Weak thoughts were wandering wearily;
And deep within me it is calm,
Though waves are tossing outwardly.*

By Amy Carmichael (1867 - 1951)

John Lapworth's email is incorrect in the church directory; it should be johnlapworth37@gmail.com
Apologies to John for the mistake.

Anne Fitton



Christian Aid week got off to a great start with our Big Brekkie, when we served bacon baps, toast etc to an appreciative set of customers. In addition to enjoyable fellowship shared, we raised £131. This was followed on the Sunday morning with a service led by members of the Church in the World committee which brought to our attention the focus for Christian Aid week, which was to raise awareness about the current situation in Sierra Leone where many women die in childbirth because of inadequate provision. Several moving videos were shown to demonstrate the great need in that country which had been devastated by the Ebola Crisis a few years ago.

Encouraged by what we had heard, 38 volunteers were involved in distributing envelopes and then collecting them later in the week. Quite a few people commented that they had had more refusals this year, so it was a great pleasure to discover that the final total raised was £2506.74 which exceeded last year by well over £400 ... a remarkable achievement; so, many thanks to all the collectors. I think it is amazing that every year we witness to our community in such great numbers. I know from talking to people in other parts of the town and, indeed, the country, that Bamford Chapel is fairly unique in the numbers that are willing to be involved in showing the love of Jesus to those less fortunate than ourselves. We pray that God will bless all the money that has been raised and enable Christian Aid and its partners to improve the lives of the women of Sierra Leone.

Thank you all once again.

Margaret Ogden (Christian Aid Organiser)

**Keep praying but be thankful that God's answers
are wiser than your prayers!**

William Culbertson



Ladies Fellowship June 2019



The annual evening meal this year was at the Marina Bar & Grill at Hollingworth Lake. Some members could not attend the meal, but as usual we had a waiting list so four other members joined us in their place.

The food was delicious and the staff very welcoming and friendly. There was plenty of conversation (as usual) with interruptions to enquire who had ordered certain foods. Hands up and those concerned got individual attention. In conversation with the manager, one of our members learned that she had lived near to her and had probably been served by her several years ago. Small world!

Linda Kerford announced the destination for the day out in August. This will be to Elsecar Heritage Centre near Barnsley, followed by a trip to Wentworth Garden Centre for afternoon tea. The signing up list went round and was soon full of names. This list is now on the Ladies Fellowship notice board for ladies to fill in the last few places.

There is no meeting in July as we busily prepare for the Annual Garden Party on the 13th July. Ladies Fellowship are asked to provide large cakes please. See you there.....

Linda Kerford



Thank you once again to all those who contribute on a regular basis to the Foodbank, either by donating food in the box at the front of Church or by donations of money. The need is not abating in any way as you can see from the

statistics for May.

Total food weighed in: 4,675.75k
Total weighed out: 5,150.60k

Number of vouchers fulfilled 348 + 10 emergency bags, which are sometimes given if a person has already had their allocation of vouchers but are still in a desperate situation.

This compares with 325 vouchers in May 2018.

Number of adults fed: 434
Number of children fed: 166
Total 600

Milk, tinned potatoes, custard, rice pudding, juice and coffee are the items which we most appreciate at the moment.



Thanks again

Margaret and Anne



We are delighted to have been told that ACE (Association for Church Editors) has recognised the quality of our church magazine. Our Editor will be attending Central Hall in Westminster, London in June to receive the certificate. Well done to Linda and all involved in producing the magazine.



*Remembering Blanche Swann
who passed away on 11th May 2019
Aged 83 years*

Blanche was a regular worshipper at Bamford Chapel & Norden URC, always sitting upstairs. Our thoughts and prayers are with her husband Tom and all the family.

“Blanche was a quiet lady who worked without fuss in various roles. Blanche was a valued member of the magazine team where we share fellowship as we work, and myself, Sheila and Joan feel her absence. She will be missed. Jennifer”

Margaret Ogden read this poem at Blanche’s funeral. It can also be found in Sheila Hancock’s autobiography “The Two of Us” My Life with John Thaw.

Remember Me

Written in 1982 by English painter and poet

DAVID HARKINS

You can shed tears that she is gone

Or you can smile because she has lived.

You can close your eyes and pray that she’ll come back

Or you can open your eyes and see all that she has left.

Your heart can be empty because you can’t see her

Or you can be full of the love you shared.

You can turn your back on tomorrow and live for yesterday

Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.

You can remember her and only that she's gone
Or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.
You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back
Or you can do what she'd want.
Smile, open your eyes, love and go on.

You can shed tears that she is gone... is the opening line of a piece of popular verse, based on a short prose poem, "**Remember Me**", written in 1982 by English painter and poet **David Harkins** (born 14 November 1958). The verse – sometimes also known as "**She Is Gone**" – has often been given an anonymous attribution, but Harkins claimed his original authorship after it was chosen by Queen Elizabeth II as part of the funeral ceremony for her mother, Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother in April 2002. It has subsequently become a popular choice to be read at funeral ceremonies, although according to Harkins it was originally written about unrequited love, rather than death.

Blanche Swann

We would like to say our sincere thank you to Margaret and Geoff and all at the Chapel for a very memorable service, like Blanche - never to be forgotten.



Margaret's contribution has helped the family so much in our sad loss.

God Bless, Tom and Family

SAVE THE ORANGUTANS!!

Every day 25 orangutans are killed which is 9,125 in one year. Some farmers and other people chop down trees in the rainforest which is where the orangutans live. They do this because trees contain palm oil and lots of food and beauty products have palm oil in as well.



Deforestation

Lots of people cut down trees in the rainforest. Orangutans live in these trees and when people cut them down the orangutans have nowhere to live so they die; they cut them down to use palm oil which is in lots of things.

Products containing Palm Oil

Lots of food and beauty products contain palm oil such as,

- ◆ Heinz spaghetti
- ◆ Ready rolled icing
- ◆ Skittles
- ◆ Froot loops
- ◆ Smarties
- ◆ Ice cream

Hidden words

Some people do not want other people to know they have used palm oil in their products these hidden words are,

- ◆ pko/palm kernel oil
- ◆ phpko/partially hydrogenated palm oil
- ◆ Etyl palmitate
- ◆ Elaeis guineensis

And these are just some of the words

SAVE THE ORANGUTANS - AVOID PALM OIL

This article was researched and written up by Rhianna aged 10, one of our Junior Church members (without any help from anyone else!) Thank you Rhianna for such a thoughtful article. *Linda Peacock*

Project 2019

Advance Dates for your Diary

8th September 2019

Project Launch & Lunch

12th October 2019

Project Breakfast

**Further details to be available soon
from the “Church in the World Group”**

**CINEMA
FOR ALL**

**Supported by
Rochdale Township**



**THE IAN NEWMAN COMMUNITY FILM CLUB
at Bamford Chapel & Norden URC,
Norden Road, ROCHDALE. OL11 5PQ**

**(Every 3rd Saturday in the Month)
£3 admission (including refreshments)
Refreshments at 6.30pm
Film starts at 7.00pm**



Saturday 20th July
**"THE GUERNSEY
LITERARY AND POTATO
PEEL SOCIETY"**

Saturday 17th August
**"SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN
BROTHERS"**

**Classic 1954 film
starring Howard Keel
and Jane Powell**



Wonky Donkey

Cast your minds back to last Christmas when Cath introduced us to Wonky Donkey. In case you have forgotten, Wonky had the pleasure of travelling round many of our homes during Advent, finally arriving in Chapel on Christmas Day with Mary, Joseph and Jesus.

This year Richard would like a full knitted Christmas scene!



I have a pattern for 14 or so figures to make up the nativity scene; more animals and figures could be added. So if you have knitting skills or sewing up skills and would like to become involved with this activity, please speak to me and we can plan our winter challenge.

Also if you have any colourful left over double knitting wool and would like to donate it to the project, please leave on the table below the clock, thank you.

Many blessings, Gillian Galloway



Riding home after church one Sunday morning, a mother commented, "The choir was awful this morning." And the father said, "I thought the sermon was far too long." Their cheeky 7-year-old daughter piped up from the back seat, "You've got to admit though it was a pretty good morning out for a pound."

*Zoe & Adam
Open Wedding Invitation*



*At 1pm on Friday 2nd of August
Adam and I will get married here
at Bamford Chapel and Norden URC. We would
like to invite as many of our church family to
come along and help us celebrate this occasion.
If you would like to attend then please feel free
to come down. Zoe Davies and Adam Watson*



Rainbows Request

- ◆ Are you free on a Tuesday Evening
- ◆ Do you enjoy seeing young people grow and develop
- ◆ Do you want a new challenge

If the answer to any of these questions is YES or you simply want to try something new, then Bamford Chapel and Norden URC Rainbows needs you.

As of September Sarah Finnigan, who has run the Rainbow unit here at Chapel with the help of others, is stepping down after her long service.

I will be taking over full responsibility of the group after being a helper for over 7 years. However I cannot do it alone!

If you feel you might be able to help in any way, or know someone who might, then please come and speak to me. You will not be expected to do any planning or anything out of your comfort zone.

Zoe Davies

A Garden Mystery

A garden is a mystery
It makes me question 'why?'
The plants I nurture with such care
Just shrivel up and die?
While seeds that I don't know about
All vigorously thrive
And grow like fabled beanstalks
From cracks within my drive!



By Nigel Beeton



Macmillan Coffee Morning



Date: 26th September 2019 [usual Community Coffee Morning]

Venue: Bamford Chapel and Norden URC

Time: 10.00am to Noon

What happens: Coffee/Tea/Delicious cakes/Toasted fruit loaf/
Raffle/Gift stall/Games

Needed: Raffle prizes and cakes – PLUS YOUR ATTENDANCE. Men are very welcome too!!

Catch up over a cuppa, enjoy some gorgeous treats – and the money you raise at the coffee morning will help make sure no one has to face cancer alone.

Visit the wonderful Macmillan Cancer Support website if you are able.

Raffle prizes and cakes to either me or Linda Peacock, please.

Lesley Sutton

Letter of thanks from our 2018 Project



DRUMBEAT CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

"Let Children be number one"

Registered Charity No: **10941**

25/05/2019

To: Bamford Chapel

I greet you all in Jesus' name and send you warm regards from Uganda. I thank you for the great support you rendered to Drumbeat children's organization by funding our agriculture project.

I am glad to inform you that I received the funds that amounted to £7,900 through Mr. Peter Edward Williams.

The funds were meant to buy land on which our agriculture project would be implemented. The good news is that the land is already secured. I am delighted to inform you that I bought one acre of land in the village called Kyalusowe. The land is situated in the village where most of the Drumbeat beneficiaries live; therefore, this will ease our work as the community (guardians to the sponsored children) together with the drumbeat children will have a chance to get involved in each and every activity on the land.

The land still has trees in it and long grass that needs to be cleared before we can initiate our project.



(The Director standing on the projected land)

Now that we have the land in our hands, our next step will be clearing the area to prepare our garden for the next season. The wet season is a good season for planting in our region here in Uganda but unfortunately, it's almost ending. We can't risk starting our project as of now because the dry season which starts in the mid of the year - might inconvenience our program. Agriculture depends greatly on the wet season because there is plenty of rain water which our crops will need.

We shall use this period of time to clear our land to prepare for the next wet season. We hope to plant maize which takes about four months to mature, we will then dry it and process it to posho (maize flour) which will help to feed many of the families especially the drumbeat beneficiaries.

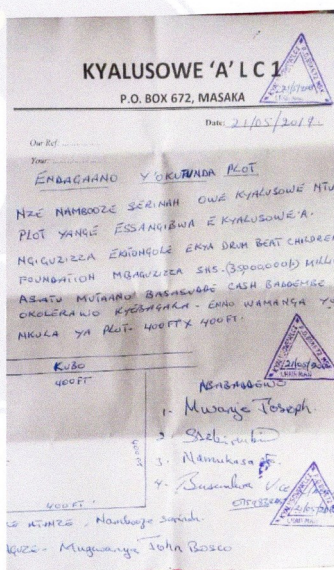
Many of these families will get food supply which is one of the major problems faced by many families in Uganda which is brought about by unemployment, land fragmentation, increasing poverty among other things.

With this programme still, the children will get the experience of working together and improve on their agricultural skills which will help them in their lives. We hope to continue with the project in the wet seasons as time goes by.

I very much want to thank you (The Bamford Chapel) for your generosity and kind hearts for funding this project.

May God continue blessing you abundantly.

Yours truly
MUGWANYA JOHNBOSCO
Director.



(The agreement between the land seller and director)

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TIP of the month



If you have takeaway coffee in paper cups, why not buy a reusable cup and have them fill it?

There is no need to keep buying bottled water. You can buy a chilly bottle which will keep your tap water cold all day.



We are forming a group to guide us in becoming an eco church. If you would like to be part of that group, please see Barbara Redmond or Rebecca Abbott



Church Flowers

Donations for flowers placed in church in June were received from:

*Addie Redmond in memory of his Mother Alice
Carolyn & Chris Divers in memory of Wally's
Anniversary*

*Karen Bentham for Mum/Grandma Joan Adamson in memory of
her 90th Birthday*

*Margaret Frain in memory of Christine
Zoe & Paul Entwistle to celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary*

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Family Worship : 10.30 am : Holy Communion 1st Sunday in month

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