## **Renhold Chapel July 2018 Newsletter**



Open Air Service from 2013 This year's Open Air Services start on the 29th July at 3pm We hope to see you there. (In the Chapel if wet!) Prayer Point

Please pray for all our friends that are unwell at this time. Pray for the Lord's blessing upon them and that they will be restored to health quickly

**Bedford River Festival** 

### <u>14/15th July</u>

There are more than 20 churches from all over Bedford & the surrounding villages who are working together to man a stall as a witness at the river festival. Please pray for a successful & safe event.

If you find yourself at a loose end during this weekend, why not pop down & see them, you can be sure of a warm welcome.

### Find us on Facebook

www.facebook.com/RenholdChapel/

#### Items for inclusion in the newsletter.

If you have any items you would like to share with the rest of our readers, please email them to graham.smith1@btinternet.com

or pass them to Graham at the chapel. Preferred formats are Microsoft word, .ocx or text files but we can handle most formats

Items that are date sensitive need to be submitted by the 20th of the month for inclusion in the following month's newsletter.

### You are called to a 'special work'

'Each part...helps the other parts grow.' Ephesians 4:16 NLT

Paul writes: 'As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body [church] is healthy and growing and full of love.' There are two kinds of growth - symbiotic growth and parasitic growth. Symbiotic growth is a give-and-take relationship in which both sides benefit. Parasitic growth is when one side feeds off another but gives nothing back. So when you come out of church and say, 'I didn't get anything out of that service,' you may be practising parasitic growth. Parasitic growth is characterised by such words as 'pray for me, preach to me, counsel me, help me, but expect nothing from me'. Symbiotic growth is characterised by such words as 'yes, I have needs, but I'm willing to give, too, because everyone needs to benefit', Your body is made up of systems. These include the nervous system, circulatory system, muscular system, lymphatic system, skeletal system, immune system, etc. These systems rely on one another. They are interdependent. So when one of them goes down, the rest of the body is negatively impacted by it. Instead of saying, 'I'm going to church,' remind yourself, 'I am the church.' Paul writes: 'The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up one whole body. So it is with the body of Christ...and God has put each part just where he wants it' (1 Corinthians 12:12, 18 NLT). God wants you to be a fully functioning part of His church. And if you're not sure what your 'part' is, ask Him and He will show you.

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### <u>News from the Prayer, Praise and</u> <u>Bible Study Group.</u> (May Notes)



For our first week we had Michael Abbott who finished his series on the servant of God and this week we looked at the ministry of the servant from the life of Apollos. Looking at Acts Ch. 18, and at other scriptures we noticed that Apollos, and therefore a faithful minister should be:

**Eloquent** - not just able to speak with power, but also have a knowledge of the scriptures, and the Holy Spirit was in it.

<u>Mighty in Scriptures</u> - he knew understood and interpreted the Bible aright. This also requires effort and study

<u>Instructed</u> - instruction comes from the word of God through the Holy Spirit and faithful preachers

Fervent in Spirit - he should be earnest and zealous

**Diligent teacher** - the act of instructing in faith and morals.

**Bold in speaking** - it is not down to human effort, but the power of God, we should be ambassadors for God.

<u>Willing learner</u> – need to know the truth and willing to learn from others, and not take offence, but be humble

Helper of saints - Spiritually, personally and practically

Convincing preacher – preach Jesus through the Bible.

For the next three weeks we had Roger Smith with us who took the book of Amos. He was an ordinary person-a "nobody" as he was a shepherd-yet God chose him to give his message to his people-God can use us to carry out different tasks. Amos was given a vision of judgment as well as saying "Thus saith the Lord". God sent Amos to warn of certain judgment to come-first of all to the 6 nations around, but his people could not feel complacent because there was judgment for Judah and Israel as well. The economy was quite good, and things were going fairly well, but they were not fully following Gods ways they were putting him in second place and the leadership were becoming less godly, and so God was being left out nationally. They may have thought they were doing things right, but God saw their heart -is it a message for our time as well? There was judgment to come, unless they repented and turned back to God, which reminds us that God is a God of perfect justice and a Saviour who wants all to repent. We then looked at chapters 3-4 in detail where God talks to Israel through Amos of their ways-,"thus saith the Lord" They were God's

chosen people and so they had greater responsibility and this brings greater judgment. They lived prosperously, but that was not necessarily God's blessing. They had seen judgments on their land. We thought of the parallel with our own country which has seen a decline in Christian values. Israel did not heed the warnings and the trumpet did sound for them. Do we heed the "signs of the times" for Jesus is coming again. We live in the age of grace and our responsibility is to proclaim the message, and there should be an urgency about this as we do not know when our Lord will return. The God of patience now may one day be a God of judgment if we do not repent.

Ladies Meeting				
Date	Quote	Speaker		
5 July	Bill	Isabelle Dicks		
19 July	Jessie/David	Graham Chewter TBS		



### **Renhold Chapel**

You are invited to Afternoon Tea

On Sunday 15th July 2018 4.30 to 6.00pm

Including a short thought for the day and favourite Hymns

If you would like any more details please contact Albert Browning on 01234 772689



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Coffee Morning Tuesday 10 July 10:00 - 12:00

## Ladies Meeting 5 & 19 July 2:30 pm



### **Porch redecoration**

The members of Renhold Chapel will be replacing the inner front door with a glazed door opening inwards. This will improve access to the building & avoid the two sets of doors clashing with each other.

At the same time we will be redecorating the porch area to make it more welcoming. It is estimated that the works will cost around £4000 including redecoration & changes to the electrics.

If you are able to donate towards the cost of this work, please place your donation in an envelope marked 'Porch' into the box at the back of the chapel. If you would like to Gift Aid your donation, the chapel can reclaim the tax you have payed on that income & will increase your donation by 20% at no additional cost to you. Gift Aid forms are also at the back at the chapel

# Noticeboard Birthdays in July

## 2nd Barrie Padfield 17th Gloria Browning

<b>Diary Dates</b>					
1	July	Family Service	10:30am	Renhold Chapel	
5	July	Ladies Meeting	2:30pm	Renhold Chapel	
10	July	Coffee Morning	10:00am	Renhold Chapel	
15	July	Afternoon Tea	4:30pm	Renhold Chapel	
19	July	Ladies Meeting	2:30pm	Renhold Chapel	

#### Prayer, Praise and Bible Study

Prayer, Praise and Bible Study is on Wednesdays at 7:30pm. The venue will be announced in the Sunday notices, or ring 01234 870831 for more details.

#### **Contact Points**

Secretary	Albert Browning	01234 772689
Treasurer	Carolyn Smith	01234 344544
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Preachers for July 2018					
1st	10:30	Mr A. Pibworth	Family Service		
	6:00	Mr A. May	<b>Evening Service</b>		
The monthly collection will be taken during both services					
8th	10:30	Mr R. Keech	Morning Service		
	6:00	Mr S. Lloyd	<b>Evening Service</b>		
15th	10:30	Mr D. Gay	<b>Morning Service</b>		
	4:30	Mr J. Hewlett	Afternoon Tea		
A Missionary Collection will be taken during the morning service					
22th	10:30	T.B.A.	<b>Morning Service</b>		
	6:00	Mr A. Little	<b>Evening Service</b>		
29th	10:30	Mr T. Ogden	Morning Service		
	3:00	Mr D. Gibson	<b>Open Air Service</b>		
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