

Tuesday 29th

The ladies of Tabs will be having their 'Refined 2015' on 7th Nov 2015. Pray for the participants and the organisation. (www.tabspenarth.org.uk/refined).

Wednesday 30th

Please pray for God's guidance as the Leadership consider the future needs of Tabs.

Contributions for the prayer diary should be sent to john.stansfield5@btinternet.com or left in the pigeonhole in the foyer by 7th of the month.

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

Recently there was an article from a local academic doing the rounds about 'discontinuous change'. Anyone who studied business would have had to suffer the sheer drudgery of studying about change in organisations, a really pointless exercise. At school change just happens as part of growing up and you never really notice things changing around you. As an adult change is more noticed and needs to be coped with every day. The major changes come in technology, in the workplace and attitudes. Mobile devices were unheard of except in science fiction thirty years ago. Same sex marriage, closure of coal pits and heavy industry, development of clean energy are all changes in recent history. Imagine what it must have been like then for a group of guys in Galilee when this wandering stranger told them to leave their nice safe occupations: fishermen, tax collector, labourer etc and come with Him and be little better than tramps. They had nowhere to sleep, wandered round the countryside and got attacked by all and sundry.

Over the summer many people will have been challenged, like the disciples were, by the claims of Jesus. This has big, life changing implications and not everyone will cope with the changes in lifestyle well. When praying this month please remember the young people who went to Pyramid Rock in July, Soul Survivor in August and anyone else who encountered Jesus and His change plan for their lives recently.

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purpose : to reflect God's love in
our church, community and world

prayer diary : september 2015

I tell you, open your eyes and look on the fields!
They are ripe for harvest."
John 4:35

John Keats wrote of Autumn as a season of mists and mellow fruitfulness. As Summer draws to a close and the usual activities of church life recommence let us remember that this is another God given opportunity to see some fruitfulness. Much sowing has gone on throughout the year and in particular at events such as New Wine and Soul Survivor. Many return from such events "on fire" for God. Let's pray this month that "this fire" will become a "wildfire" in all our lives so that under the control of the Holy Spirit His fruit may be evident in every area of our personal and church life.

Julian Haines

Tuesday 1st

Please remember churches which have no ministerial oversight. There are many small fellowships in Wales who depend on lay preachers, so please uphold one you may know about, if not ask someone who preaches away regularly, e.g. Ann Niblett or Anne Morse.

Wednesday 2nd

Today could be a good day to say 'Thank You' to God for something or someone that you treasure.

Thursday 3rd

Many young people will be going back to school this week. Please pray for anyone you know who might be returning, starting or changing schools.

Friday 4th

Please give thanks to God if you had a nice holiday over the summer, remember those who were not so fortunate, through old age, poverty, illness or whatever reason

Saturday 5th

Pray for Jonathan Bugg and David Evans being inducted into new churches today. At Nuneaton and Grangetown

respectively. Ask God to prosper their ministries.

Sunday 6th

Pray for those members involved in leading worship in Tabs over the next few weeks. Pray God will be honoured in all the services.

Monday 7th

It was announced that there will be elections in Myanmar (Burma) in November. Pray for democracy to break out in this long repressed nation.

Tuesday 8th

Pray for the Playgroup every morning during the week, children, parents & helpers.

Wednesday 9th

Today please pray for the mid week communion service and those who take part.

Thursday 10th

Please pray for those beginning their small group meetings after the holidays.

Friday 11th

Pray for the youth outreaches held for teenagers.

Saturday 12th

Pray today for those who are sick, a list is in the newsletter.

Sunday 13th (Racial Justice Sunday).

This day celebrates the diversity of people. Pray for someone you know of a different race to you.

Monday 14th

The Gideons are having a Bible Blitz in London from 14th – 17th September 2015. Gideons from all over the UK will be taking part in the distribution of scriptures in the West of London, pray for all scriptures given out. Pray for closed doors to be opened and engagement with those who are seeking. Pray for fruitful relationships with churches. (Julian Haines).

Tuesday 15th

Please pray for those who have been bereaved recently.

Wednesday 16th (St Ninian)

Ninian was a Celtic saint who travelled far by foot and horse to proclaim the gospel. Pray today for those who do mobile ministry, preachers, missionaries, street evangelists.

Thursday 17th

Pray for the staff of Home Access and their clients.

Friday 18th

Please pray for the youth outreaches of Tabs. In particular pray for new leaders and helpers for the new academic year.

Saturday 19th

'Operation Cyrus' is a worldwide initiative to pray for North Korea. This is the world's most repressive Stalinist regime in terms of suffering and misery. Pray for change to come to N. Korea in whatever way God sees fit.

Sunday 20th

Pray for Pastor Roger on sabbatical and Claire, Isabel and Patrick after their experiences in Uganda.

Monday 21st

Each year the International Day of Peace is observed around the world. The UN General Assembly has declared this as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, both within and among all nations and peoples. Pray for peace.

Tuesday 22nd

Remember those who work, that they may be good witnesses in their workplace.

Wednesday 23rd

The Leadership Council will meet today. Please pray for the deliberations and decisions taken.

Thursday 24th

Pray for students going to college, first time or returning.

Friday 25th

Change is one of those things in life which you just have to cope with all the time. Pray for those experiencing the changes in their lives brought about by Jesus, (see piece at end).

Saturday 26th

Pray for something which you find difficult to deal with today, like suffering, war, famine. Ask God to help you see Him in such situations.

Sunday 27th

Please pray for Helen and Angus and their three children with BMS in Nepal. Pray for their needs in finance, prayer support, practical arrangements for the children and the needs of their ministry. Also remember the Cytûn Service at Tabs tonight when Ann Niblett will be inducted as new chair.

Monday 28th

In the new academic year please pray for students and staff at the Baptist College, Cardiff. Remember church members' meeting tonight.