

Sunday 14th August 2011

Oakhall

CHURCH SERVING GOD'S KINGDOM

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We warmly welcome all who are sharing in our service as we meet to worship and praise the Lord Jesus Christ. May He enrich our fellowship together.

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11.00am	This morning we come to the 3 rd of our 5-part series from the Psalms. Dave Hughes leads our service and will speak on Psalm 15, <i>Acceptable?</i> We will also have the joy of dedicating Coral and Oakley Mills and Amelie and Isaac Mitchell.
	There is a crèche for children under three years of age in Room BO2.
6.00pm	Join us to pray at Oakhall.
6.30pm at Oakhall, Francis Rd	Our thanks to Josh Mills as he speaks at our Communion Service. This evening we dig deeper into our series from Nehemiah and tonight it's <i>When the rot sets in</i> from Chapter 13: 1-31.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father – to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever! Amen.
“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.”
(Rev 1:5-6, 8)

Our offerings today will be for the General Fund, providing for the many outgoings in the running of the church.

Overseas Action!

Welcome back to all who have returned from 'overseas action' with the Oakhall trips. Currently David and Maria Thompson are in Provence in France with a cycling group. David is speaking and Maria leading. Molly Cox and James Barnett are with them as cycle leaders and Adam Larnar as cycle tech. Yesterday Ian Mayo left to lead a group to Russia and tomorrow Alison Hardy leaves to lead a group to Portugal. All those overseas really appreciate our prayer support.

Praising God for a new life!

We rejoice with Andy and Rachel at the birth of their baby son last Monday evening at 9pm. Reuben Andrew weighed in at 9lb 4oz and the whole family are doing well and praising God for the wonderful gift entrusted to them. 'Warmest love and congratulations to you both.'

Crèche

One of the great ways to be a blessing to families in the church is to help look after their young children during the Sunday morning service. There is already a friendly team of helpers sharing in the care of our under-3s. If you think you too can help out in this worthwhile activity, please see Stephanie Bowman or Dorothy Thompson (01883 652163 or longdawkhams@gmail.com.)

Don't miss out

Last week's news sheets included the Summer Prayer Bulletin from the Expeditions Team. They all value our prayers during this busy month. Spare copies are on the information tables.

Back to Church Sunday

On September 25th we will be joining with thousands of other UK churches in an initiative to invite people back to church. Let's start praying towards it. More details to follow.

Oakhall Church Giving

Oakhall Church Budget target for
April-July 2011 £40,320.00

Actual giving for April-July
 £31,659.00

August offering for Simeon & Gemma
Locke (Reach Across)
 £1,240.00

Oakhall Church seeks
to be a community
with a growing love
for God, for each
other and for our
neighbours
throughout the
world.

Plum jam...

for our new church building fund!

Well done to Joseph and Joshua Warner who have been busy making plum jam to raise funds for our building fund. Last week dad staggered in with a huge box of jam... £64.66 was raised! *Thank you to Joseph and Joshua and to all who purchased the tasty treats.* There are a few left... so don't miss out!

Our next Baptising Service

Following a wonderful Baptising Service last month, we have had further requests for baptism. We are planning our next service in September and if you are praying about the possibility of taking this important step, please speak to Dave Hughes or one of the other elders.

East Africa Crisis

Drought, high food prices and failed harvests have left 10 million people in East Africa on the brink of disaster. Often at times like this we would like to help but are not sure how to channel funds to where they are most needed. Tearfund, a Christian international aid and development agency, has local partners responding in the region affected. If you would like to make a donation towards their work please place your gift in the offering bags clearly marked "East Africa Crisis" (cheques payable to Oakhall Church).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday		
Tuesday	2.45pm	Bryan Bignall's small group at 3 Longmead Close.
	8.00pm	Youth Group 'Feed your soul' at The Oaks.
	8.00pm	Dave Bryden's small group at 14 Whyteleafe Road; Steve & Janet Swan's group at 6 Ryelands Close; Steve & Carol Bacon's group at 4 Badgers Walk, Whyteleafe; Dave & Katy Hughes' group at 4 Bradenhurst Close.
Wednesday	8.00pm	Andy & Faye Mayo's small group at 2 The Heath, Chaldon.
Thursday	9.30am	The Pastoral Committee meets for prayer at The Oaks.
	8.00pm	Andy & Maureen Diggins' small group at 77 Ragland Road, Reigate.
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday	10.40am	Prayer meeting in the 'store' room at de Stafford.
	11.00am	Our thanks to Andy Mayo as he leads our Communion Service this morning and tackles the fourth of our series from the Psalms. This week it's <i>Fullness of joy</i> from Psalm 16.
	3.45pm	Service at Dormers.
	6.00pm	15 minutes of prayer at Oakhall.
	6.30pm at Oakhall, Francis Rd	We welcome back David and Maria Thompson as David speaks at our Special Evening Service which will be led by a Youth Group team. David tackles the next of our series... 'Issues facing Christians today' and this evening's theme is... <i>Dealing with pride</i> .

If you would like to know more about Oakhall, or feel we may be able to help you in any way, please contact David Hughes on 01883 349627.