

**Bethel News****February/ March 2023**

Sunday services start at 11am

5 February	Christening	Mrs Maggie Mancktelow
12 February		Mr Howard Bunting
19 February		Mrs Jenny Thompson
26 February		Mrs Maggie Mancktelow
5 March		TBA
12 March	Church Parade	Miss P Poynter
19 March	Mothering Sunday	Wednesday fellowship
26 March		TBA
2 April	Palm Sunday	Junior Church
9 April	Easter Day	

Just a reminder that there is a Sunday Service on Sheppey FM 92.2 at 10am each Sunday, repeated at 4pm. There is a rota of Sheppey Church leaders who record it each week and it's always an inspiring service, so if you are unable to be at Bethel's service why not give it a try.

**A thought "No matter how long it takes, when God works it is always worth the wait!"**

**Dates for your diaries:**

24 February	All are welcome to a meal prepared by our Brigades (Please check and book nearer the time)
Friday 3 March	World Day of Prayer, this year's service has been written by the Christian Women of Taiwan and has the title "I have heard about your faith"
Saturday 1 April	Brigade Easter Fayre
Saturday 8 April	Church Coffee morning
Friday 21 April	Church Quiz:

**Craft Club** meet on Wednesday afternoons from 1.30 – 3.30, on the first, third and fifth Wednesday of the month. Please contact Jane Freeman on 01795 875401 for more details.

Other groups using the premises include::

WI, History Society, Zumba, Dancerscise, The Geese project

### **News of Nigel:**

It was good to see Nigel via Zoom just recently at the South East Area Meeting. There are plans for a Zoom catch up with him organised by Wimbledon Church so please look out for that date and time. There are plans for him to return to the UK at the end of the year for a holiday, so hopefully he will be able to come to Bethel. His sponsored walk round Grenada went well he met people from many of the churches and raised a good amount for the necessary work on his church.

Nigel's latest news will be on the table in the vestibule.



Please pray for:

For any of our fellowship who are unwell, or waiting for medical appointments.

For those who are mourning the loss of loved ones.

For our young people and those who lead them.

For the various groups who meet at Bethel – may they benefit from the use of the building and see something of the love of God while they are with us.

For our Island and the work of the Food banks and the Support Bus.

For all the schools on our Island and the work they do to support the young people

For Nado, the young girl we support, via Compassion, in Togo.

For Marlon, the young man who we sponsored for many years.

For Nigel who continues to serve the church in Grenada. For his safety and continued good health in his challenging work.

For our new King, Charles III – may he know Your presence just as his mother did.

We pray too for the Royal family as the plans are made for the coronation of the King. For our country, for wisdom for those in authority. For those who are

struggling financially – may they find the necessary help and support.

For the world situation, especially those who are living with war and violence. We think especially of the people of Ukraine and Russia – that a peaceful solution may be found to the current crisis.

Lastly for ourselves, that we may continue to grow in faith and in knowledge of the Lord Jesus,