

AFAN VOICE



EGLWYS FEDYDDIEDIG EBENESER ABERAFAN
EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH ABERAVON

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AUTUMN 2015

REMEMBRANCE!

Since last year and throughout this year and also into the next few years we shall be remembering those people who suffered and died in the First World War. We are not celebrating but commemorating as may be seen from the numerous war memorials dotted throughout our land. We can hardly imagine the terror experienced by that generation of people in the history of our nation. This was the war deemed to end all wars – such presumption!



ROLL OF HONOUR

The horrors of the First World War shattered nations, communities and families. Many people were terribly disillusioned by the tragedy of the War turning, for example, to Socialism for an answer to the world's problems. But hope is not to be found in man but in Christ and His Cross.

Violence in war, society or at home is a terrible thing. It impairs the individual's dignity producing terrible damage. It's a sign of a deeper dysfunction. It's true that the church is engaged in a battle but it's a spiritual one against the flesh, the world and the devil (Ephesians 6:10-20). Jesus Christ divides people either for or against Him (Matthew 10:34). But He's the Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6) who reconciles people with God and with each other.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God (Matthew 5:9).

MISSION STATEMENT/DATGANIAD CENHADOL

To proclaim the Word of God in order to make Him known to people and so extend His Kingdom
I gyhoeddi Gair Duw er mwyn ei wneud Ef yn adnabyddus i bobl ac felly estyn Ei Deyrnas

ACTIVITIES LIST/PRAYER POINTS

- Sunday (*Sul*) 11am & 6pm: Service (*Oedfa*)
- Sunday (*Sul*) 11am: Sunday School (*Ysgol Sul*)
- Tuesday (*Mawrth*) 12pm: Bible Study (*Astudiaeth Feiblaidd*)
- Tuesday (*Mawrth*) 1pm: Prayer Meeting (*Cwrdd Gweddi*)
- First Tuesday of month (*Mawrth Cynta'r mis*) 2.15pm: Bible Time (*Amser Beibl*) in Central Junior School
- First & Third Wednesday of month (*Y Cyntaf a'r Trydydd Mercher o'r mis*) 2pm: Sisterhood (*Chwaeroliaeth*)
- Friday (*Gwener*) 9.30am: Coffee Morning (*Bore Coffi*)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:



- ☞ A Service was held for residents (and staff) at Sŵn-y-Môr on Wednesday 23 September 2015 at 11am.
- ☞ A Harvest Supper was held in Ebeneser on Monday 19 October 2015 at 6.30pm.
- ☞ A Children's Club is scheduled to start in Ebeneser on Wednesday 4 November 2015 at 4.30pm.
- ☞ We prayerfully remember those of you from our fellowship in a home or hospital. Erin Tomlinson was recently admitted to the Heath Hospital in Cardiff for an intensive operation and is now recovering at home. Linda Davies has returned home following her successful operation at Morriston Hospital. And Amy Richards has been admitted to the Princess of Wales Hospital in Bridgend.
- ☞ We sympathize with Dilys Hurley in the death of her husband Carl. He was a gentle Christian man who had an unshakable faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. He was both a valuable member and a supportive deacon in Ebeneser. We also sympathize with the members of the family of Gwyn Woolcock in their bereavement. Gwyn was raised in Smyrna and then transferred his membership to Ebeneser. He was sadly afflicted with physical ailments but remained a solid and sound character. We sympathize too with the family of Lynne Jones in her death. She was a resilient woman whose faith enabled her to live with her crippling disability. We further sympathize with Terry Hamilton in the death of her sister Margaret Rees. Margaret remained resolute throughout her debilitating illness. And we moreover sympathize with Ray and Anne Gray in the death of Ray's brother, Dennis Gray. Dennis was an accomplished teacher of children with visual impairment.

CONGRATULATIONS:



Our congratulations to the following people on their birthdays:

Rhian James	13 September	Margaret Rees	4 October
Michelle Romaniw	19 September	Elizabeth Toghill	6 October
Malcolm Tomlinson	27 September	Erin Tomlinson	13 October
Mair David	29 September	Terri Hamilton	12 November
Susan Booth	1 October	Reginald Freeth	14 November
Betty Jeffs	4 October	Jealian Davies	22 November

Gweinidog/Minister: Peter Davies

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