

# AFAN VOICE



EGLWYS FEDYDDIEDIG EBENESER ABERAFAN  
EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH ABERAVON

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## CALL OUT!

The word *church* means *call out*. The Lord plans to build His church by calling people out of the world to Himself. Those who belong to the church are people who believe in Jesus Christ.

The main features of church life are teaching, fellowship, communion and prayer (Acts 2:42) – the means of grace. All church members including officers are accountable to the Lord Jesus Christ. Each member has a gift to share in the work of the church.

The ministry of the church in Ebeneser is of great importance to the town of Aberafan. Our work is to communicate the Gospel to people in the power of the Holy Spirit so that they can come to know God. In this way the Kingdom of God is enlarged in this part of the world.



### LLEURWG

One of the most notable Ministers of Ebeneser was John Rhys Morgan (Lleurwg) (1822-1900). He ministered in Ebeneser between 1848-55. He was a versatile man who published many works ranging from sermons to songs and from lectures to articles.

Preaching and pastoring are essential components of the Minister's work. The Sunday worship services in particular provide a regular opportunity for preaching while visiting you at home enables me to continue pastoring. I may however preach through pastoring and pastor through preaching!

Underlining the work of the church and its ministry is prayer. Both individual and corporate prayer are vital to the church's work. Without it the church languishes but with it the church is invigorated.

*And he [Jesus Christ] is the head of the body, the church (Colossians 1:18)*

#### 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*)
- Monday (*Llun*) 6.30pm: Prayer Meeting (*Cwrdd Gweddi*)
- Tuesday (*Mawrth*) 2pm: Bible Study (*Astudiaeth Feiblaidd*)
- First & Third Wednesday of month (*Y Cyntaf a'r Trydydd Mercher o'r mis*) 2.30pm: Sisterhood (*Chwaeroliaeth*)
- Thursday (*Iau*) 4.30pm: Children's Club (*Clwb Plant*)
- Friday (*Gwener*) 9.30am: Coffee Morning (*Bore Coffi*)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:



☞ Joshua Davies has kindly relaunched the church's website.

☞ A Family Service was held at Ebeneser on 8 September with a view to holding such Services on the second Sunday morning of the month.

☞ A Service was held for residents (and staff) at Swn-y-Môr on 19 September.

☞ A weekly Children's Club started on 10 October with 6 children in attendance.

☞ We pray for Michelle Romaniw as she starts her theology course at the South Wales Baptist College in Cardiff.

☞ We prayerfully remember those of you from our fellowship in a home or hospital.

☞ We sympathize with the members of the family of Joyce Weaver-Charles in their bereavement. Joyce was a formidable character who was active in the local community.

### CONGRATULATIONS:



Our congratulations to the following people on their birthdays:

Gwyneth Walters	9 September	Betty Jeffs	4 October
Rhian James	13 September	Margaret Rees	4 October
Michelle Romaniw	19 September	Erin Tomlinson	13 October
Malcolm Tomlinson	27 September	Barbara Rock	8 November
Mair David	29 September	Terri Hamilton	12 November
Susan Booth	1 October	Jealian Davies	22 November

Also our congratulations to Ieuan and Patricia Hopkins on their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 1 October 2013.

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