

AFAN VOICE



EGLWYS FEDYDDIEDIG EBENESER ABERAFAN
EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH ABERAVON

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SPRING 2016

COFFEE ANYONE?

The Coffee Morning has been running in Ebenezer for many years. It's an important service to many of its users as it provides them with an opportunity to socialize with each other over a cheerful cup of coffee. And it's run conscientiously by several members of the church in Ebenezer's vestry on a Friday morning.



COFFEE MORNING

Many people have attended the Coffee Morning over the years. Most regularly attend on the Friday morning while some pop in occasionally for a cuppa coffee when they're in town. The service depends on the willingness of those members who go about their work happily with smiles on their faces.

Coffee Mornings have become very popular in many places over the years. Not only do they provide opportunities for people to meet together over a hot cup of coffee but they also help raise funds for worthy causes. Such is the case in Ebenezer where £1 for a cup of coffee with biscuits provides helpful funding for the work of the church.

Demonstrating the love of the church for those in the local community is an important part of the work of the Coffee Morning. It expresses the care of the members towards those outside the church. We reach out to those who may feel lonely and who benefit from mixing with others in a relaxed atmosphere.

Some of the people who attend Coffee Morning attend other places of worship. At this facility therefore they have the opportunity to freely meet together. And those who don't attend a place of worship are given the opportunity to meet in a church environment where they can discuss issues of faith in a comfortable setting.

Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling (1 Peter 4:9).

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*)
- Wednesday (*Mercher*) 4.30pm: Kidz Club (*Clwb Plant*)
- 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 Concert in support of the Port Talbot Foodbank took place at Ebenezer on Friday 4 March 2016 at 7pm.
- ☞ A St. David's Day Supper is scheduled to take place in Ebenezer on Monday 7 March 2016 at 6.30pm.
- ☞ A Service is scheduled for residents (and staff) at Swn-y-Môr on Wednesday 16 March 2016 at 11am.
- ☞ A new kitchen has been installed in the vestry at Ebenezer through Chris and June George's aid.
- ☞ The Coffee Morning resumed running in the new year. New people have come forward to help with this work while others are continuing to help as in the past. We're very grateful to several people for their hard work over the years who finished at the end of last year – Howard James, Meirion and Elizabeth Prosser.
- ☞ 4 new people were received into membership in Ebenezer at the beginning of the year – Peter Davies, Marian Davies, Paul Davies and Diane Pike.
- ☞ We prayerfully remember those of you from our fellowship in a home or hospital. Linda Morgan remains in Neath Port Talbot Hospital. Dilys Hurley has returned home following her respite at Plas Bryn Rhosyn. And Susan Holmes has returned home following her admission to the Spire Hospital in Cardiff.
- ☞ We sympathize with the members of the family of Amy Richards in their bereavement. Amy was both a strong and considerate woman. And we sympathize with Enid Ridsdale in the death of her mother Gladys Williams. Gladys was active in the old Sunday School in Baglan. We also sympathize with Malcolm Tomlinson and his family in the death of his daughter-in-law Tracy Tomlinson. Tracy was a loving wife and caring mother.

CONGRATULATIONS:



Our congratulations to the following people on their birthdays:

Anne Davies - 1 March; Dilys Dowrick - 1 March; Marion Harris - 4 March; Ruth George-Law - 9 March; Joan McConville - 13 March; Georgia Thompson - 13 March; Patricia Davies - 19 March; Nicola Thompson - 1 April; Matthew Dyer - 2 April; Dilys Hurley - 15 April; Gaynor Davies - 17 April; Linda Davies - 21 April; Jean Staddon - 21 April; Sylvan Thomas - 22 April; Thomas Hearn - 29 April; Enid Bealing - 1 May; Meirion Prosser - 3 May; Jacqueline Tomlinson - 8 May; Eirlys Davies - 13 May; Lauren Thomas - 13 May; Cheryl John - 19 May; Lili Thomas - 19 May; Marian Beaton - 21 May; Joshua Davies - 22 May; Ieuan Hopkins - 28 May

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