

December diary

Sunday 3 December	10.30am Advent Worship Jeni York & Rod James <i>KidzChurch preparing The Hope Centre Shoeboxes</i> 4.00–6.00pm Messy Christmas
Tues 5 Dec	Daytime Small Group Café Church Small Group
Wed 6 Dec	Small Groups
Saturday 9 December	Men Matter 8.30am Breakfast meeting at the church
Sunday 10 December	10.30 am Advent Communion Bruce Furniss & John Birch KidzChurch Christmas Party with Magic Andy
Tues 12 December	8.00am – 8.00pm Day of Prayer <i>Please sign up for your half an hour slot</i> 9.30am and 7.30pm Prayer Meetings at Church
Wed 13 Dec	7.30pm Café Church – Unwrapping the real meaning of Christmas
Sunday 17 December	10.30am Join the Christmas adventure with our no-rehearsal Pop-Up Nativity based on The Greatest Journey
Sunday 24 December	6pm Carols by Candlelight: Jeni York Note – No morning service
Christmas Day 25 December	10.30 – 11.15am Christmas Morning Service: Elizabeth Birch
Sunday 31 December	10.30am Morning Worship: Bruce Furniss

Rotas for December

	Welcome	Hospitality	Collection	Prayer
3	Roy	Heather & Ann C	Tony	Jeni
10	Michael	Mary & Em	Tom	Mary
17	Tom	Volunteers needed	Michael	Bruce
24	Volunteers needed		--	--
25	James B	--	--	--
31	Tony	John & Barbara	Tom	Jeni

If you are unable to carry out your rota duty please arrange for someone else to do it for you.

Messy Christmas: Sunday 3 December 4.00 pm – 6.00 pm

A fun alternative Christmas event for all the family, with crafts, activities and special guest Christian Conjuror Magic Andy!

Men Matter

We will be meeting at the church on Saturday 9 December for breakfast and fellowship and to continue to explore our faith in relation to today's world.

Christmas Café Church: Wednesday 13 December 7.30 - 8.30 pm

If you are new to Christianity, or are simply searching, come and join us at Christmas Café Church and unwrap the real meaning of Christmas in a relaxed and informal way. (Held at The Elgar Centre, Upton).

Christmas Collections

For our Christmas collections this year we are supporting the Hope Centre Shoebox appeal with KidzChurch filling shoe boxes with treats, food, toiletries, hats, gloves etc... for local people facing difficulty this Christmas. Please bring any donations to help fill these shoe boxes and put them in the box in the back room by the 3rd of December when they will be packed. Any financial gifts you may wish to contribute will be donated to EVE (the family refuge). Please place any contributions in a clearly marked envelope and give them to Ian or put them in the collection by the 24th of December.



Other activities

Prayer group

Each Tuesday morning, from 9.30 to 10.30 am we meet at the church to pray for the needs of our local communities, the wider world, our fellowship and for those with particular needs. If you are free, why not join us?

Small groups

Small groups meet together to get to know one another and pray and study God's word in an informal home setting. The following groups meet in the evening.

- Jeni's group meets at James & Catherine Harrison's home.
 - Lynne & John's group meets at Lynne & Mick Parker's home.
 - Andrew & Jane's group meets at Roy & Rita Jarvis' home.
- There is also a daytime group meeting from 11.45 am to 1.30 pm.

Parent/ toddler groups

We have two flourishing parent/toddler groups:

- **Kizzletots**, which meets at the Baptist Church, in Kislingbury, every Thursday morning in term time from 10.00 am to 12.00 noon.
- **Upton Tots**, which meets at the Elgar Centre, Upton, every Wednesday morning in term time from 10.00 am to 12.00 noon.

Book club

The Book Club is not meeting in December. There will be a meeting at Lynne Parker's home on the 23 January. See Lynne for details.

Our BMS link missionaries Tim & Linda Darby

Please keep Tim, Linda, Joshua, Annabelle & Elsa in your prayers.

In the business of Christmas let's remember them, far away from home and family. Christmas in Uganda must be so different from what we are used to.

Welcome to Kislingbury and Upton Baptist Church



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