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“You, O Lord, are my lamp;
the Lord turns my darkness into light.”

2 Samuel 22: 29

Prayer requests

Prayer requests are now sent out in a separate emailing, every Wednesday afternoon. If you would like your name added to the list for prayer, please email me admin@seba-baptist.org.uk

SEBA Notices

SEBA Staff holidays:

Please note the following upcoming holidays for SEBA staff - *those currently on holiday, or on holiday in the next week are highlighted:*

- **Michael Fanstone:** 14-21 September

Online resources

Along with the details of SEBA churches who have live-streaming or online services available, we have also added a page for online resources from our SEBA churches and ministers. This is for those who are willing to share other online resources that they have put together, which the wider SEBA family can use (*these are run past the Regional Ministers before being added to our website*). Currently there's just one link (for an online meditation about anxiety) - but we'd like to add more. If you have something suitable, (it must be your own, original, resources) please send me brief description and a link, which will be reviewed before being added to the website. <https://www.seba-baptist.org.uk/sebachurches-onlineresources.htm>

Live-Streaming:

Don't forget the Sunday services live-streaming is available via <https://www.seba-baptist.org.uk/sebachurchesstreamingservices.htm>

South Eastern Baptist Women's Ministry:

Newsletter:

The latest edition of the SEB Women's Ministry newsletter is now available, please [click here to download a copy](#).

SEBA Training

All training events have been cancelled, until further notice

Note to all who hold First Aid certificates, due to run out - the HSE (Health & Safety Executive) has agreed that certificates due for renewal at this time, are able to automatically extended until 30 September 2020.

Events

Please note - with all events advertised below, whilst we are publicising them, the views and comments expressed are not necessarily approved by the Association - unless they have been organised specifically by the Association.

Online events

ACAT online training for Treasurers:

ACAT is delighted to announce that you can now book a place on our first ever online training sessions. Their popular Being a Treasurer: The Basics course will become available online from September 12. Limited places are now available - so please do book at the earliest opportunity. ACAT has split the course – which is equally relevant to new and experienced treasurers – into three two hour-long sessions which cost just £10 each. They're advising treasurers to book one each of sessions one, two and three to ensure that they're appraised of the entire course. Each session will be led by ACAT's highly experienced trainer, Manny Kemp.

The first session will cover **charity law and the role of trustees and the bookkeeping and finance processes in a church**. This first session be available on:

- *Saturday, September 12* – between 10am and 12noon
- *Saturday, September 12* – between 2pm and 4pm
- *Tuesday, September 15* – between 6pm and 8pm

The second session will cover the **planning activities of budgeting and risk management, and Gift Aid and other tax subjects**. The second session will be available on:

- *Saturday, September 19* – between 10am and 12noon
- *Saturday, September 19* – between 2pm and 4pm
- *Tuesday, September 22* – between 6pm and 8pm

The third session will delve into the topic of **year-end reporting and independent examination**. This third session will take place on:

- *Saturday, September 26* – between 10am and 12noon
- *Saturday, September 26* – between 2pm and 4pm
- *Tuesday, September 29* – between 6pm and 8pm

The training will be provided by Zoom. If you don't have a Zoom account, you will be prompted to download the free software once you've clicked on the link that we'll provide you with, but you may also be able to join via a browser. Once you've booked, a member of ACAT's team will be in touch with further information.

To book a session go to <https://www.acat.uk.com/training-events/>.

They're hoping to launch further courses online in the near future - so please do watch this space.

All Baptist Union member churches benefit from a block membership of ACAT, so if you aren't currently making use of this email membership@acat.uk.com for membership queries and we can point you to the member resources that you should already have access to.

(Whitley Lectures 2020) Finding A Friend: The Baptist Encounter With Judaism - Robert Parkinson

Monday 14 September, 9pm

Scholarly abstract

Ever since the horrific events of the Holocaust, the relationship of Christianity to Judaism has been under constant review. Many Christian denominations have

made great strides toward a much closer rapprochement with Judaism. This lecture will ask where British Baptists stand in relation to this sea change in Christian-Jewish relations. It will identify potential problems in the theology, exegesis and preaching of Baptists. It will offer examples of friendly engagement between Baptists and Jews, examine possible impediments to the development of a closer relationship, and propose constructive suggestions for deepening the encounter of Baptists with Judaism into the future.

Popular abstract

Are Baptist churches sometimes guilty of unwitting anti-Judaism? What is the state of play for Baptist-Jewish relations? This lecture will examine these and similar questions. Drawing on the positive side of Baptist history and practice, it will offer guidelines for encouraging a greater regard for Judaism and a closer friendship with Jews.

[Watch here](#) to take part in the chat and ask questions.

For more information on the lecture, and if you would like to book Rob, please email: robert@didsburybaptist.org.uk

Click [here](#) for more about the Whitley lecture

Click [here](#) to download previous Whitley Lectures

Young People Need Your Help More Than Ever: Sleep Anywhere But Your Bed to Help Prevent Youth Homelessness

YMCA DownsLink Group is a charity working to prevent youth homelessness and improve young people's mental health and wellbeing across Sussex and Surrey. Each year we support over 10,000 children, young people and families by providing supported accommodation, youth advice centres, counselling, chaplaincy and family mediation.

Sleep Easy is a challenge event asking you to spend one night sleeping anywhere but your bed (such as a garden, lounge or hallway), to raise vital funds to help us tackle the root causes of youth homelessness. Taking place on **Friday 9 October**, families, teams, and individuals are all welcome – with special activity packs

created for children!

All you need to do is sign up, grab a sleeping bag or blanket, choose your sleep site and connect with us on-the-night using any smart device.

Our jam-packed online agenda runs from 7-10pm and has something for everyone – bedtime stories for children, entertainment and an opportunity to hear from young people about their experiences of youth homelessness.

Sign up here: www.ymcadlg.org/sleep-easy

Helpful links:

Baptist Union advice webinars:

There have been really helpful webinars over the last few months, as we've been dealing with life during a pandemic. The links to the videos of those webinars can be found at <https://www.baptist.org.uk/Groups/338869/Webinars.aspx>

Racial Justice webinars:

Upcoming

- **COVID-19 and BAME**
Tuesday 29 September - 19:30 - 20:30
Speakers: Dr Chi-Chi, Dr Vivienne Lyfar-Cisse and Wale Hudson-Roberts
https://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/580856/COVID_19_and.aspx
- **The Sam Sharpe Lecture 2020**
Monday 12 October - 19:00 - 20:00
Speaker: Bishop Wilton Powell, OBE
https://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/580797/Sam_Sharpe_Lecture.aspx

Webinars already run can be viewed as a video - click on the title below to access each one.

- [Tearing Down the Symbols of White Supremacy](#) (Speakers: Anthony Reddie and Eleasah Louis)
- [Power, Privilege and Pandemic: The toxic case of Brexit](#) (Speakers: Rosemarie Mallett and Anthony Reddie)
- [The Hostile Environment](#) (Speaker: Robert Beckford)
- [The Windrush Scandal](#) (Speaker: Rosemarie Mallett)

Further information

More information about these webinars, including links to join each one, will be available from www.baptist.org.uk/multiculturalevents. Please do check this website link regularly as details and the links to view the webinars are being finalised.

Advice, Resources & Information

Information & support from the Baptist Union

Please note, the Coronavirus essential guidance is being updated every Thursday, so do make sure you check out the page, each week
https://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/570475/Coronavirus_essential_advice.aspx

The following was updated since the last emailing:

- [Coronavirus - essential advice for churches](#) (updated 3 September)
- [Coronavirus: Guidance on re-opening Baptist church buildings](#) (updated 3 September)
- [Coronavirus advice: Children's, youth and families ministry](#) (3 September)
- [Guideline Leaflet L18: Covid-19 Coronavirus Legal Issues](#) (updated 2 September)
- [Coronavirus: Guidance on church worship](#) (updated 27 August)

Please take time to read these documents.

The BU regular Sunday and Wednesday, 7pm prayer broadcasts can be viewed here https://www.baptist.org.uk/Groups/338268/Prayer_broadcasts.aspx - you will also find the link to the upcoming broadcasts available on this page, on the day of the broadcast.

Jobs & Vacancies

Administrator - Godalming Baptist Church:

This post is initially part-time for 12 hours per week to include Friday mornings.

Salary £10. 36 per hour

The person appointed will have good IT skills and be sympathetic to our Christian ethos.

When appointed he/she will

1. Undertake administrative tasks for the Pastor and leadership team.
2. Be a focal point for initial and ongoing contact for members of the public and church members.
3. Co-ordinate the lettings of the church building.
4. Manage the Church's social media presence.

If you are interested, a fuller job description and application form can be found on the GB website godalmingbaptistchurch.org.uk

Closing date 30th September 2020.

Jobs with Baptists Together

Team Leader - Faith and Society:

This is a key role, for an accredited Baptist minister, providing leadership to the work of the Faith and Society specialist team.

For more information visit the website:

https://www.baptist.org.uk/Articles/584770/Team_Leader_Faith.aspx

Closing date: 9am, 14 September 2020

Vacancies to represent SEBA across the area:

SEBA have some vacancies on groups that you may be interested in (see list below).

- Two SACRE vacancies - on the panels, who provide input into how Religious Education is taught and collective worship is undertaken in our schools - the vacancies are in LEA areas of [Surrey](#) and [Medway](#) - click on the area for the role description. If you would like more information about the role of a SACRE representative, our current East Sussex SACRE rep, Peter White, is more than happy to have a chat - if you would like his details, please contact Steph Tidy (admin@seba-baptist.org.uk)
- up to two Trustee vacancies for the Kent Workplace Mission - the KWM work in Kent, Medway, Bromley & Bexley supporting people of faith, at work; developing chaplaincy ministries in workplaces and helping local Christian communities to actively engage with their local economic community. For more information, [go to their website](#)

If you are interested in being involved in this way, please email Steph admin@seba-baptist.org.uk

If you would like to add a church-based, or Christian charity vacancy to the weekly emailing, please let me know admin@sebabaptist.org.uk

Please note, we cannot post vacancies for Church Minister positions, as these should go through Revd Stuart Davison, and the Settlement system.



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