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An unforgettable evening with the international singer and raconteur

Newport Pagnell Baptist Church (Lovat Hall),
Silver Street,
Newport Pagnell,
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Saturday 21st October
7:30pm start

Tickets: £10

For tickets, call the Church Office on 01908 618898 or Steve Greenfield on 07734 311 143

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Connections

September 2017

Churches **T**OGETHER in Newport Pagnell



Over 150 children a day became Polar Explorers at the CTNP Holiday Club. 60 leaders from across the churches ensured that a fun time was had by all as they learnt that anyone can become a friend of Jesus from the stories of ordinary people like Peter, Stephen, Philip, Paul and Timothy who did extraordinary things for God.



More Pictures on page 7 (inside back cover)

Articles to the Editor, Robert Hayward
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Copy Deadline 20th of each Month

Notices for activities at least a month before they will happen

For up-to-date information on events and activities check our website regularly at

www.ctnp.org.uk



Minister's Letter

Essential Maintenance?

I like to save money by doing as many of my own car repairs as possible. I am probably not as quick with my car fixing as a professional mechanic and sometimes I follow the Haynes instruction manual wrongly and have to start all over again. This can be a frustrating experience but when certain components work again there is a great sense of satisfaction and relief – quite apart from having saved a few quid by doing so. Learning motor mechanics is an ongoing process.

Similarly, we sometimes have to revisit and undo some of the wrong ideas about God that we have picked up over the years. It is then possible to learn something new and fresh about how and where God is present in our lives. To learn more about God requires a thirst, hunger and excitement about what we may discover. This is something that we can do ourselves and at other times we need the help of others in our churches, just as when I have to consult a professional mechanic over some tricky car maintenance problems.

When revisiting old ground and ideas about God I usually find that the image of the grumpy old man in the sky image of God gets stripped away and the void becomes filled with the living God who is even more generous and loving than I had previously assumed.

When I recognise that I've got something wrong in my interpretation of the car manual, as with many relationships, we sometimes get it all wrong about what God's character is really like and we have to begin all over again. What we discover by risking going back to the beginning really is worth it though, as we open the eyes of our hearts anew to all that God wants us to receive so always prepare to be pleasantly surprised!

Rev Nick Evans

Rector of Newport Pagnell





CREATIVE ALERT!

Do you knit, crochet, felt, sew or have other handicraft creative talent? CTNP are calling out to all creative types to create a multitude of stars, sheep or angels for a Christmas event.

These need to be no bigger than 10cm tall (with soft stuffing if necessary) and be suitable for all ages.

If you can help, please start creating and deliver your figures to your own church by 1st December.

If you need help with patterns, your church will have a selection to assist you, but feel free to choose your own.

Many thanks
CTNP Mission Group

CTNP - Polar Explorers

Professional Angie and Unprofessional Kate got everyone warmed up, Geoff and AJ led us through a fun time of drama, singing, jokes, games and DVD clips featuring Bliz with group times of games, crafts and time to chill and talk, to earth the stories that had been presented each day.

The atmosphere was fantastic as the children engaged with the activities and the responses from parents and children was so encouraging. One child wanted the club to continue for another week, while another wants to make the trek back to Newport Pagnell from the northwest next year!

Thank you to everyone who helped with the club whether involved directly with the children, making sure the techie stuff worked, providing refreshments and lunches or behind the scenes.



Here are a few pictures of a fun-filled week.

Calling all CTNP Churches Free Giant games for your Event

Giant games are available from :

Linda and Geoff Morris,
Telephone : 01908 617050.



Snakes and Ladders,



Connect 4.



Jenga

- ◆ Free for church events.
- ◆ A small donation is requested please for a private event.

Newport Pagnell Methodist Church

Teapot & Sing



Next meeting:
Monday 11th September
2.00 - 3.00 pm

Come and join us to sing a few well known favourite hymns whilst enjoying a cup of tea or coffee

A Dementia friendly time where everyone can relax.

Volunteers Required

The Brooklands Centre Saturday Lunch Club is looking for volunteers once a month (except July and August) to support the provision of a two course luncheon.

Please contact Catherine Hall at brooklands.centre@btinternet.com

or Telephone: 01980 614749
Mobile: 07841431326
for further information.

NEWPORT PAGNELL SINGERS IN CONCERT

Come to the United Reformed Church any Monday evening during term time and you will hear, the glorious sound of music, as our local community choir Newport Pagnell Singers rehearse their latest piece, under the baton of their inspiring MD Roger Windmill.

Join them on Saturday 16 September for an evening of choral entertainment and help the URC reach its target amount for the Mead Centre Project!

'Newport Pagnell Singers in Concert' promises a varied programme of music and mood with something for everyone.

Songs from film and theatre evoke memories of love and romance, the rousing Dam Busters march and songs from Stateside bring feelings of patriotism, whilst Bless this House reflects warm gratitude. Soloists sprinkle surprises, Elgar takes us on holiday and the evening ends in a Grand Finale.

Don't miss it!

TICKETS £10

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NEWPORT PAGNELL SINGERS

16 September, 7.30pm
United Reformed Church
High St, Newport Pagnell



IN CONCERT

**Pet Service
Moulsoe Church
11am on 24th Sept 2017**

This will be a fun all-age and all-animal inclusive service! It may be a bit noisy but everyone is welcome, whether or not you bring a pet. We will be celebrating God's animal creation and the joy and love they bring to us all.

Small animals such as rabbits and hamsters are best brought in a cage and dogs on leads please.

Larger animals are welcome but please let us know if you intend to bring one!



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