

**EBA Prayer Focus: Oasis Community Church, Brightlingsea**

Brightlingsea is a coastal town in Essex situated between Colchester and Clacton-on-Sea, at the mouth of the River Colne. Brightlingsea is a self-contained town with a strong community spirit and varied population. And this is where you will find the Oasis Community Church which meets on Sundays in the local community centre. During lockdown the church continued to meet weekly on Zoom but are now back to meeting in-person again. There has been steady growth over the past few years and about 25 people now gather each Sunday morning to worship together. There is a variety of backgrounds and ages represented and a few children, but plans are in hand for new outreach to children and families.

The recent Brightlingsea Regatta drew large crowds to the town and the church had a marquee in a prominent location which featured a team from Christian charity "Tough Talk" demonstrating powerlifting.

Please pray for:

- \* The church and leaders as they seek a new pastor and meet regularly to pray about this.
- \* For growth in the fellowship and the development of plans to reach out to children.
- \* That people will be released into their ministries and their talents will be unlocked.

**National & International**

- Pray for wisdom for our national leaders and parliamentarians in this time of political crisis.
- Continue to pray for an end to the conflict between Ukraine and Russia

**Paul & Sarah Brown**

- Give thanks for BMS workers Paul and Sarah Brown, now commencing work with the Thai Karen Baptist Convention (TKBC). Paul has his visa but pray that Sarah's will go through too.
- Pray for Paul as he trains to teach English: for confidence, God's strength, and wisdom that he will complete the course well.
- Pray that they will settle well into their new roles and that their relationship with TKBC leadership and Karen communities will grow.

**MRBC**

- Continue to pray for Walton Parish Nursing: for our Parish Nurses, for the Volunteers, and the activities: Exercise Classes, No Labels. Pray for the clients too.
- Pray that we will know the Lord's presence and guidance as we seek a new Pastor.
- Do continue to pray for those with health problems.

Walton Parish Nursing Contacts		
Lorna Bellamy	07969901001	Tues/Weds/Thurs 9.00 am - 4.00 pm
John Gillett	07909888703	Tues/Thurs 8.30 am - 4.30 pm

**Welcome to Maidstone Road Baptist Church**

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August 2022**  
**The Sunday Service**  
*Leader and Speaker – Mark Reid*

This week 29 <sup>th</sup>	
<b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August</b>	10.30am <b>The Sunday Service</b> Speaker: <b>Mark Reid</b> At Church
<b>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> August</b>	
<b>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August</b>	
<b>Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> August</b>	10.30am <b>Chair-based Exercise @ MRBC</b> – Social. Come for tea and cake.
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September</b>	9.30am <b>Thursday Morning Home Group</b> restart 7.00pm <b>Kintsugi Hope Wellbeing Group @ St Mary's Church, Walton</b>
<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	3.00pm <b>Ladies Tea @ The Golf Club</b>
<b>Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September</b>	
<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September</b>	10.30am <b>The Sunday Service</b> <b>Speaker</b> Andrew Marfleet - At Church 3.30pm <b>Praise on the Prom</b> See flyer for more details.



How relevant are we and our message to those who don't know Christ?

**Church Website: [mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk](http://mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk)**

**Got a notice for the Sheet?**  
**Fellowship prayer** requests go to **Steve** by **Friday morning**  
**Notices** for the weekly sheet to **Lisa R** by **Friday evening**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**HOME CRAFT** is taking a break in August. The next session will be **Weds 7<sup>th</sup> September @ 2.00pm**

**Tea and Cake** Friday **30<sup>th</sup> September**, 2.00pm – 3.30pm @ MRBC (see additional note)

**Ladies Tea** – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 3.00pm – 4.30pm @ The Golf Club (Please contact Delyth)

**MRBC Harvest Service** – Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September (All-Age Service)

### September Birthdays

3<sup>rd</sup> Suzanna S, 4<sup>th</sup> Ingrid F, 8<sup>th</sup> Maurice B, 12<sup>th</sup> Marion U, 13<sup>th</sup> Steve L, 19<sup>th</sup> Dorothy T, 20<sup>th</sup> Jayden S, 24<sup>th</sup> Sandra S, 25<sup>th</sup> David B



## PRAISE ON THE PROM

Praise on the Prom is scheduled for Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022 on the usual site in the Spa Gardens, 3-30pm.

## HERITAGE WEEKEND (AND RIDE AND STRIDE)

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September** sees the annual Ride and Stride for the Suffolk Historic Churches Ride and Stride. **Please see Andrew Marfleet** if you want to sponsor him or anyone else from the church. It is also the Heritage Weekend, and we would like to open the church on the Saturday for visitors. To do that we need some volunteers to sign off the riders and striders and welcome visitors to the building. As previously, Mark will set up an historical display and produce a leaflet to hand out. **If you are willing to help, there is a rota for the day on the piano to sign up or contact Mark.**



### Thursday House Group (Amended)

The Thursday house group are taking a break for the month of August. We will be restarting on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September at 9.30am, where the venue will be at Jackie & Tim Leeming's house, 40 Chatsworth Crescent, Trimley St Mary.

## REGULAR STUFF

**Leadership Team** – usually monthly first Tuesday.

Next Meeting – **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September** at 7.30pm

**Church Meeting** – usually bi-monthly third Tuesday.

Next meeting – **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September** at 7.30pm. At Church.

**Prayer Meeting** – Next Meeting – **10<sup>th</sup> September** at 10.00am on Zoom. Please note the changed date. There won't be one on 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### Pastoral Care Team Meeting

Next meeting – TBC.

Venue - MRBC

## Small Groups

**Felixstowe Afternoon Group (Margaret Lines/Ingrid Fenn)**

Fridays Fortnightly

**Trimley Evening Group (Andrew Marfleet)**

Mondays Fortnightly

**Old Felixstowe Daytime Group (Steve Lineham)**

Meeting every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> **Wednesday** of the month. Contact Steve Lineham for more info.

**Felixstowe Morning Group (Jackie & Tim Leeming)**

**Restarting 9.30am Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> September @ 40 Chatsworth Drive, T S Mary.**

## Church Meeting – Tuesday 20th September

The church meeting on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> September will include a special church meeting to agree the sale of the current manse and the purchase of a more suitable house. Our constitution stipulates that this needs to be agreed at a special church meeting.

The proposal for the special church meeting will be:

**The church members agree to the sale of the current manse and the purchase of a more suitable house to be a manse. The church members also agree to our appointing a suitable solicitor for the sale and purchase.**

If you have any questions or concerns about this please speak to one of the leaders.

## TEA AND CAKE (Amended Date)

Our next tea and cake afternoon will be on **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September from 2.00pm - 3.30pm.**

Please come and join us, and if you are able to help in any way, that would be wonderful.

We need **CAKES** (homemade) and helpers - to serve, set up and talk to visitors.

Come for the whole time or just a part. You will all be welcome!

Please let me know if you will be able to help in any way.

*Delyth*



The **Home Craft Group** held in the schoolroom on alternate Wednesdays will be closed for the month of August and will reopen on the 7<sup>th</sup> of September.

All those interested in craft work of any sort are more than welcome. We have people who are able to assist with a large range of activities from knitting, sewing, art work, furniture renewal etc, whilst enjoying nice cup of tea as well.

## Church Contacts

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<b>Weekly Sheet</b>	Lisa Ransom		<a href="mailto:notices@mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk">notices@mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk</a>