

Hi everyone, welcome to our July and August newsletter We have been looking at the church as the body of Christ and related subjects over the last few weeks. For us, the body of Christ, to grow and be effective we need to be in unity, prefer one another and learn to serve in humility and true love. That means not just talking the talk but walking the walk, not just saying it but living it! *Kevin*

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. 1 Corinthians 13 Verses 1 - 3

Small Groups at Shoreline We now have four small groups meeting midweek, if you would like to come along to one of them please talk to Kevin or Julie, you would be most welcome

Genesis Group will be meeting on Wednesday 3 July, 10am at Crofton Community Centre and 17 July, 10am, at 62 Mancroft Avenue.

Hill Head Group will also meet on Wednesday 3 July at Rob and Sue's house, 3 Cromarty Close and Wednesday 17 July at 62 Mancroft Avenue, both 7 to 8.30pm.

Pete and Lorraine's Group meet in the evening so if you are not free in the day and would like to join a small group, talk to Pete or Lorraine for details. They meet this month on Wednesday 3 and 17 July.

The Crofton afternoon group, led by Sarah, Josie and Mary will meet on Thursday 4 and 18 July, venue to be confirmed.

There will be no formal small group meetings in August

Sunday 4 August A number of us will be away at the church weekend in Poole on Sunday 4 August, but there will still be a meeting in the main hall on that day, 10.15am as usual, with communion, for all who are not attending the weekend. and Rob, Sue, Alan and Lesley will assist in leading this.

We have a church Facebook page. This is not public and you need to ask to join the group. We do know everyone who is in this group and we live stream to this group on a Sunday morning. Message Kevin or Julie to join (but you do need to be on Facebook)

Contact List At Shoreline we have a contact list of folk who attend and who are friends and occasional visitors. If you would like to add your details please talk to Lesley Bohling. If you are on this list you will also receive e mail updates and links to Sunday talks from Kevin.

Julie and I have been leading Shoreline now for 25 years. We started on the beach in the rotary hut at Crofton Lane, we then moved to the Crofton Pub function room and then to the Crofton Youth Project Building. Just after Easter 2019 the church moved to the main hall of the Community Centre. Julie and I will be taking a short break away from Monday 2 September to Friday 27 September. We will be travelling but using our home in Spain as a base.

Grace 24 July news The Grace 24 Project is based in Kenya and is Shoreline Church's main overseas mission initiative. The children cared for at the project all continue in school now until 2 August, when they break up for school holidays until 30 August. Please continue to pray for them as they study, for good health and protection from accidents. Joy now has an internship, she is working at Nairobi airport dealing with the export of roses. Please pray she continues to do well at this and is offered a permanent job when the internship ends.

Josiah is doing well in his university course in agriculture. Please continue to pray for him. He is looking for some part time work to do alongside his studies to help support himself. Jemimah is looking at applying for nurse training in the near future. Please pray for wisdom and guidance for her. Many thanks to everyone who so generously supports this project.

Pudding Sunday is the last Sunday of the month, and helps us to provide financial support to the Grace 24 Project. Next ones are Sunday 28 July and Sunday 25 August. Please bring puddings, cakes or garden produce for others to take for a donation.



Children and Young People at Shoreline

We have a real desire to develop our work with children and young people. Recently the leaders have felt led to move our Sunday young people's group, Waves, to the Crofton Youth Project Building which is attached to the

back of the main hall. It has great facilities and lots of potential. However, we are currently small in number and lacking in helpers to develop this further. This is not a problem as it is an opportunity to pray and see the Lord provide and really bless us in this area. Do pray for this work and let folk know what we are doing!

FINANCIAL GIVING

You can give to the work of Shoreline on Sundays through the offering box, or to Grace 24 through the heart shaped box. You can also set up a regular gift from your bank account. Our Bank details are Nat West – sort code 524132 - a/c 96753307 or talk to our treasurer, Beck, or one of the leaders for more details. The money covers the rent of the Community Centre, other church running costs, and a range of outside giving. We do not pay anyone a salary. Our treasurer gives regular updates on where our giving goes, and yearly accounts are available to see at any time.