

Dear HBC family,

Hertford Baptist Church

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Annual
General
Meeting

21st May 2024
7.45pm

Our AGM will be held on 21st May at 7.45pm in the church. This is a moment in the year when we look back and celebrate all that God has done and look forward to where God might take us in the year to come. It has been an exciting year with a real sense of God's presence, purpose and direction for his church.

As part of the AGM we will also appoint new members to the leadership team. This year there are two vacancies.

The Leadership team meets monthly and performs a vital role in the organisational and spiritual life of the church. Alongside the Ministry team, Treasurer, and Secretary, members of the leadership team have responsibility for making key strategic decisions, administration of finances, and ensure good management of the church.

If you are a prayerful, spirit-filled Christian with a desire to see our church continue to grow and develop, do consider joining the leadership team.

Nomination sheets with instructions are on the notice board in the Chambers Street entrance will remain open until Sunday 12th May.

If God is stirring you and you are interested in the role, please speak to Alan or John Low to learn more about the duties and responsibilities of Leadership Team members. They will be more than happy to give you time and explain in more detail what is involved.

Any church member who is unable to attend the AGM, may apply for a postal vote by contacting the office before 8th May. Please don't miss out by being late!

Please be in prayer for the AGM and the election as we seek the Lord's leading for the future of the church. This is a key moment in the life of our church. Let's join together and seek God at this critical time.

[This week - 5th May 2024](#)

In our morning gathering, we are continuing the 'Making all things New' series. This week the theme is "God's Rescue Plan" and the Bible passage is: Genesis 12: 1-4

Join us at 10.15am

What's happening in the next 2 weeks.....

Men's Breakfast - Saturday 4th May

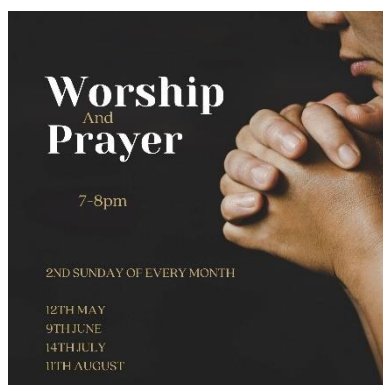


We are really looking forward to our next Men's Breakfast this Saturday!

We would love you to join us, and invite others along too, as we seek to make friends, enjoy great food, and share life together.

To book a place, please the church office by midday on Friday 3rd May: anna.sanders@hertfordbaptist.org.uk

Next Sunday - 12th May - Worship and Prayer 7pm



There are 2 great opportunities to meet together to worship God next week.

Alongside our 10.15am morning service, we also have our monthly Worship and Prayer gathering.

As we journey through Alpha together and prepare for the AGM and nomination of new members of the leadership team, it is so important that we pray together as a community.

We would love to see as many people as possible at our time of Worship and Prayer this month!

Making All Things New - Resources

Through our new teaching series, we are taking a snapshot of the entire Bible in 15 weeks and thinking about the part that we are called to play in redeeming, restoring, and transforming the world around us, as we partner with Jesus to make all things new.

Our 4-11 year olds will also be doing the same in JCKids.

We have put together a selection of books and resources that will help both you and your families go deeper with this series and understand more about some of the key themes that we will be looking at.

A key book for adults will be 'All Things New' by Pete Hughes. For kids, we would recommend 'Jesus Storybook Bible' (both the book and videos).



Check out the books on the display shelves in church and contact the office if you would like help to order any of them.

Coming up soon.....

Family Craft Afternoon – Wednesday 29th May – 2-4pm



Join us as we have fun together sticking, gluing, creating, designing, colouring, and making all sorts of different craft activities!

Plus, snacks and drinks for everyone too.

There will also be a small play area for younger siblings, who might be too little to do the crafts.

So much to do for all the family- and for the bargain price of £2 per child. Do invite friends along to join us.

We would love to see you there!

Alpha Day – Saturday 8th June



What a fantastic start we have had to both our Alpha courses!

We have just finished week two, and it is so exciting to be gathering 150 people together each week to experience Alpha; as we ask the big questions of life, seek to grow in confidence in our faith, grow in our openness to the Holy Spirit, and build up our community by meeting midweek.

A key part of Alpha is the Alpha Away Day, which will be on Saturday June 8th at HBC, from 10am-4pm.

Don't forget to return the invitation that you were given at Alpha this week, letting us know whether you are able to come along. Alternatively, you can email the church office.

Flowers for Church on Sundays



We are still in need of people to help with the flower rota on Sunday mornings. You do not need to have any floristry skills.....anyone can get involved!

Just add your name to the sign-up sheet on the notice board in the entrance corridor, and then bring flowers to church on the Sunday morning that you have chosen. Simple!

Thank you so much for blessing the church family in this way.

Car Parking Permits – Yellow permits no longer available



We are currently missing one of the yellow car parking permits. Please check that you haven't accidentally taken it home. If you have, please return it to Anna in the church office.

Please note that the yellow permits will no longer be stored in church. They will only be available from the church office, during opening hours, and must be returned on the same day.

Weekly and Monthly Planner

May 2024

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| Men's Ministry Breakfast | Saturday 4 th May 8.30am |
| Edward House Service | Tuesday 7 th May 3.30pm |
| Worship and Prayer | Sunday 12 th May 7.00–8.00pm |
| CAMEO | Thursday 16 th May 2.00–4.00pm |
| Mission Prayer Meeting (via Zoom) | Thursday 16 th May 8.00pm |
| Men's Prayer Breakfast | Saturday 18 th May 8.30–9.30am |
| Pentecost | Sunday 19 th May |
| Church Members' Meeting – AGM | Tuesday 21 st May 7.45pm |
| Family Craft Afternoon | Wednesday 29 th May 2-4pm |

June 2024

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| Men's Ministry Breakfast | Saturday 1 st June 8.30am |
| Cross Links | Sunday 2 nd June 3.00pm-5.00pm |
| Edward House Service | Tuesday 4 th June 3.30pm |
| Golden Lunch | Thursday 6 th June 12.00noon |
| Alpha Day | Saturday 8 th June at HBC 10.00am-4.00pm |
| Worship and Prayer | Sunday 9 th June 7.00pm-8.00pm |
| Men's Prayer Breakfast | Saturday 15 th June 8.30am-9.30am |
| Mission Prayer Meeting (via Zoom) | Thursday 20 th June 8.00pm-10.00pm |

Every week

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| Times of Prayer | Tuesdays 7am and Wednesday 12noon |
| Hertford Baptist Toddler Group | Tuesdays 10-11.30am |
| Daytime Alpha | Tuesdays 3-4.30pm until 25 th June |
| Place of Welcome | Wednesday from 10am to 12 noon |
| Evening Alpha | Wednesdays 7.45-9.30pm until 26 th June |
| Hertford Baptist Baby Group | Friday 10.00-11.30am |
| Re:refresh – Young Adults' Group | Sundays 4.00 – 6.00pm |

Our Tuesday time of prayer is held on Zoom at 7.00am.

Here are the details: Meeting ID: 997 7864 8836 Passcode: 762228