

**This month at BTBC...**

let us 'offer ourselves to God, as those who have been brought from death to life'...  
(Romans 6:13)

**7th October**

**Harvest Appeal: BMS and HITS**

10.30am

**Mark Styants**

**Cakes for BMS 'Life's First Cry'**

5-6.30pm

**The Meaning of Marriage**

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**14th October**

10.30am

**Tim Ford**

**Launch of Operation Christmas Child**

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**21st October**

10.30am

**'Counting the Cost' Luke 14:25-33 Roy Parkes**

**Communion led by Paul Ayres**

**Mission News: Chris and Alison Hawksbee (Paraguay)**

from Steve Kent

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**28th October**

10.30am

**Mark Styants including the Dedication**

of **Darcy**, Margaret Rush's great granddaughter

**John and / or Sue Wilson sharing from BMS World Mission**

5-6.30pm

**The Meaning of Marriage**

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**4th November**

**International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church**

10.30am

**Mark Styants**

**Cakes for HITS**

5-6.30pm

**The Meaning of Marriage**

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## Mission News

### John and Sue Wilson

Here are some highlights from John and Sue's recent newsletter – you can read the full newsletter here: [www.bmsworldmission.org/jswilson](http://www.bmsworldmission.org/jswilson) and a copy is in one of the holders by the mission noticeboard.

Our ministry began here in Paris on Easter Sunday 2017. We feel that we have found our place & our roles here and have learnt so much about this church. Together we are discovering God's vision for this new season. It is not often that you arrive in a new placement and throw yourselves into a building project; but urgent repairs and work were needed, and this gave us the opportunity to update the reception area of the church. We have also been able to transform the loft area for our teenagers and young people to have their own space to meet. It is often easier to talk about change than implement it, but folks here have really been supportive and are very pleased with the results. We feel that this has created a more welcoming environment in our church building.



We have had the privilege of preparing a number of new Christians for baptism, this has been really encouraging for us and it also speaks of God's love and faithfulness as people make important decisions of faith and commitment.

Nationally, Sue heads up the Children and Youth work and John the settlement committee for the French Federation. We are learning to juggle various responsibilities in our church and nationally, but God is good, and we are trying to find a balance in all that we do, whilst finding time together and for the family.

#### **Prayer points:**

- Join with us in thanking God for 30 years with BMS World Mission
- For those who have been baptised, and those who are preparing for baptism
- For the building project that we can continue to create a welcoming space and see new folk come in.
- For our various responsibilities, that we may find a healthy balance.
- That this may be a season to plant and a season to harvest

#### **John and Sue**

**On Sunday 7th October we have a harvest appeal in support of BMS' appeal for mothers in Afghanistan called: Life's First Cry-see the back page– and on Sunday 28th October John and / or Sue are visiting BTBC and sharing news from BMS World Mission**

**All our Mission Partners appreciate ongoing prayer**

# October 2018 Calendar

4th

5th

6th

9.30-11.30am Little Rainbows	8.30-9.30am <i>BT Primary Fun Fit</i>	8.30-9.30am <i>BT Primary Fun Fit</i> 7.30-9pm Community Choir	2.30pm Global Mission Team Meeting (external venue)	7-9.15pm IGNITE Youth Alpha
10-11am Pastoral Prayer	6.30-7.30pm Explosion Club	Rehearsals	7-9pm Worship Team Practice	
	7.30-9.30pm Elders Meeting			

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	7.30-9.30pm Elders' and Deacons' Meeting	Rehearsals			

15th	16th	17th	18th	19th	20th
9.30-11.30 Little Rainbows	8.30-9.30am <i>BT Primary Fun Fit</i>	8.30-9.30am <i>BT Primary Fun Fit</i> 7.30-9pm Community Choir	10am-1pm Ladies Fellowship Meeting 7-9pm Worship Team Practice	7-9.15pm IGNITE Youth Alpha	
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22nd	23rd	24th	25th	26th	27th
<b>Half term</b>		7.30-9pm Community Choir Rehearsals	12.30-2pm Lunch Bunch Extra 2.30-4pm Open Doors Prayer 7-9pm Worship Team Practice		

29th	30th	31st	1st November	2nd	3rd
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10-11am Pastoral Prayer		Rehearsals			

## The Meaning of Marriage

This is a 6 part DVD based programme by Tim and Kathy Keller looking at God's heart and vision for marriage, for anyone from singles, to couples considering marriage, newly married or those who have been married a long time - please come along!

**7th and 28th October, 4th and 18th November, 2nd and 16th December, 5-6:30pm**

Ideally it would be helpful if people can commit to all the sessions. There will be a provision for children, so both parents coming could both engage in the sessions. If you would like to find out more, or are definitely interested in coming along, please contact Mark or Janna Styants. Also, if you could help look after children during these sessions, please speak to Janna.

## Alpha Tide Concert

**Saturday 1st December, 7.30pm**

This is an acoustic music night with Alpha tide playing their new album, talking about the songs, giving a little bit of meaning and entertainment; the songs are all God-based and they will play a couple of Christmas songs too! They will play for around an hour - it will be a relaxed evening with refreshments so you can bring friends along too.

## Children and Youth on Sunday Mornings

**Sunday Club groups** run for **ages 3-7 and 8-11**. **Youth Ignite** runs for the **secondary school age** range.

In addition, a **crèche is available** every 1st and 3rd Sunday although parents are welcome to make use of the upstairs room and use the toys in the middle cupboard during the service if they wish.

## Harvest Appeals

**We will be supporting two appeals this year on Sunday 7th October:**

1. **BMS's** harvest appeal this year is for mothers in Afghanistan called: [Life's First Cry](#). Thousands of mothers and babies in Afghanistan struggle to survive childbirth and the appeal is to help transform lives for mums, dads and babies in Afghanistan.

Offering envelopes are available in church, please gift aid where you can as this adds an extra 25% to your gift.

2. Food for **HITS**. The Top 10 needs are:

tinned carrots; tinned peas;  
tinned potatoes; pot noodles/instant noodles; tinned meat/meat meals;  
tinned custard; tinned fruit;  
tinned rice pudding;  
bottles of small water/juice;  
long life fruit juice.

Shopping lists are available in church.

## HEROES Holiday Bible Club!

**Monday 22nd- Wednesday 24th October, 9.45am-12 noon**  
Scout HQ, Bovey Tracey

Three mornings of games, stories, songs and crafts. T-shirt and refreshments included. £10 per child for all 3 mornings.

Booking essential - tickets from Sue Evans 01626 835521 / [sue8429@gmail.com](mailto:sue8429@gmail.com)

## Contacts

Mark is on sabbatical until the end of July 2018. During his absence please contact an Elder (Paul Ayres, Graham May, Roy Parkes) or a Deacon (Tony Dagggar, Marcus Grant, Keith Lawson, Bernard Prebble, Julia Stephens, Jo Zakrzewski) or

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