#### Weekly updates from TRBC

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Items for the next edition of the Newsflash can be sent to <a href="mailto:newsflash@trbc.info">newsflash@trbc.info</a> by noon on Thursday 23rd October.

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Our services are live in the building from 10:30am each Sunday morning.

If you are unable to attend in person, you can watch the live stream via our website

#### 19th October 2025

Church member, Helen Tilley, will be leading our time together.

Our Pastor, Jon White, will be speaking on 'Being Spiritual Parents'

from Deuteronomy 6v4-9.

#### 26th October 2025

Our Pastor, Jon White, will be leading our time together as we celebrate Harvest (details later on in this email). He will also be speaking on 'Do not give up meeting together' from Hebrews 10v25.

7:30pm Prayer & Praise Meeting



#### **Pre-Service Prayer**

Each week, all are invited to come and pray over our time together before the Sunday Gathering from 9:45 in the Prayer Room (upstairs in the Blue Room).

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#### **Funeral**

Anne Miller's funeral will be on **Thursday 23rd October**.

- 11.30am for Cremation Service at Muntham Chapel at Findon
   Crematorium https://maps.app.goo.gl/sWh7dM5LrWYn8ut7A?g st=iw
- 1pm for Celebration of Life Church Service at Trafalgar Road Baptist Church, followed by a wake at The Holbrook Club in Horsham <a href="https://www.theholbrookclub.co.uk/">https://www.theholbrookclub.co.uk/</a> (the club will be available from 1pm for those not attending the church who would like to catch up with friends and family)
- All are welcome to join both services or whichever one you would like
- Family flowers only please
- Dress code: Colourful and respectful
- All venues fully accessible

If you have any dietary requirements, please let Caroline Parr know

We will need some help setting up the chairs between 10:30am and 11:30am on the Thursday before the service. If you're able to help, please speak to Faith.

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#### **Activities at TRBC this week:**

Monday 20th October - 7:15pm until 9pm - Trafalgar Community Choir
Tuesday 21st October - 4:30pm until 6pm - Revive
Tuesday 21st October - 6pm until 8pm - Trustees meeting
Wednesday 22nd October - 10am until 12pm - Renew Café
Thursday 23rd October - 1pm - Anne Miller's Funeral
Thursday 23rd October - 7:30pm until 9:30pm - Worship Group
Friday 24th October - 7:30pm until 9pm - Friday youth



#### My Testimony

If you can testify of how God is moving in your life, we would love to hear about it. Speak to your small group leader or email jon.white@trbc.info

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Praise & Prayer points for this week...

**Mon 20th:** As you think back to what the Lord may have spoken to you about yesterday or last week, ask Him to show you how to respond.

**Tue 21st:** Pray for our Events Team. For God to show them His plans for how we can reach out to our community in the coming months.

**Wed 22nd:** Pray that the Lord will guide us as to who we should nominate to join our Leadership Team.

**Thur 23rd:** Richard Langmead, our new leader of OM UK, is visiting our London team today. Pray he will be encouraged as the team makes him very welcome!

**Fri 24th:** Ask the Lord to guide Faith as once again she puts our Newsflash together.

Thank the Lord for her attention to detail!

**Sat 25th:** Pray that we will be a welcoming church for new or nearly new people coming tomorrow!



#### **Prayer & Praise Evening**

Our next prayer & praise evening will be on **Sunday 26th October**.
7:30pm until 8:30pm in the prayer room

A time of worship with music and singing interspersed with times of prayer and waiting on the Lord.

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#### Seek first prayer evening

Our next seek first prayer evening will be **9th November**.

The prayer evenings are on the 2nd Sunday of the month.

We will be meeting from 7:30pm until 8:30pm in the prayer room upstairs.

A time of prayer together where our intention is to seek after God as we 'seek first his kingdom and his righteousness' (Matthew 6v33)



Volunteer sign-up

We hope to run lots of different events at TRBC but to do this we need your help! We would love to have a 'bank' of volunteers who we can call upon to help at different events at TRBC. This doesn't commit you to every event, but helps us to know who to ask! Feel free to tick more than one!

You can either fill in the form <u>online here</u>, or fill in the paper copy, which is available on the Information Table on Sundays.

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#### **TRBC Building Working Party**

### Saturday 18th October 9am until 12pm

We will be having a working party to do odd jobs that need to be done around the building and tidy up the vegetation outside.

If you're able to help, or would like more information on the jobs available, please speak to Trevor.



Our harvest service will be on Sunday 26th October and we'll be collecting donations for Horsham Food Bank.

We will have a table in the church building for you to place your items on. You can find out about what food the organisation are looking for through <a href="their website">their website</a>. Or you can pick up a list from the Information Table on Sundays.

If you would prefer to give a monetary donation, please <u>visit this link</u>. All money given in the offering on this Sunday will go towards the foodbank, unless marked otherwise.

Please consider how you might contribute to this work through prayer.

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**Light Party** 

**Saturday 1st November** 

5:30pm until 7pm (SEN friendly from 5pm)

Fun for the whole family including crafts, music, prizes, hot dogs, soft play and more!

#### An alternative to Halloween

Please take a poster to advertise in your home window. There are also leaflets available for you to invite others on the reception desk.

We are looking for donations of Heroes or Celebrations chocolate tubs. Please make sure they are brought to the church by Friday 31st October.

If you would like to make a financial gift towards the running of this event, please put it in a marked envelope into the offering bowl, or speak to our bookkeeper about making a direct transfer.

If you would like to help on the day, please speak to Rachel White.

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# LEADERS ELECTION NOMINATIONS ARE OPEN

#### **Leaders Elections**

Nominations are now open for our leaders elections!

Any Church member (who is over 18 and has been a member for over a year) can be nominated (with their permission). They must have a proposer and a seconder, who are also church members. We have **3 vacancies** on the leadership team. Please prayerfully think about who you could ask to stand or whether you would be willing to stand yourself.

Nominations, along with a proposer and seconder, need to be made, in writing, on the

clipboard. This will be made available, on the information table, on Sunday mornings.

More detailed information on the leaders' election can be found on a sheet on the noticeboard by the stairs.

Want more information on what it means to be a leader? Pick up a leaflet from the information table or speak to Pastor Jon.

Nominations will close on Sunday 2nd November, after the service.

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#### **Annual leave**

Our Housekeeper, Emily, will be on annual leave Friday 24th, Monday 27th and Friday 31st October.

Our Pastor, Jon, will be on annual leave on Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th October.

## Renew Wellbeing

"An end to isolation and better mental health for all."

#### Renew Café

You are welcome to join us to share in a chat, a cuppa and perhaps something creative (bring something you are working on or join in with something on offer in the session) or play games, along with a space for prayer.

Every Wednesday 10-12noon.

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The Welcome — Cake, Tea and a Chat

This takes place on the third Thursday of each month, with the next on **20th November**, 2:30pm until 4:30pm

All are welcome

#### Invite your friends along

Why not carry an invitation in your pocket for that person you just happen to meet who might just love some company - and cake!!

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#### Mission, Vision & Values

Our **Mission** is the Biblical mandate that never changes and is expressed in our mission statement as:

'Following Jesus. Serving our Community'

#### Vision

In September 2022 we started a journey looking at the vision of the church. For 12 months we had various meetings, times of prayer and conversations on what the vision is for TRBC.

After this time, the church felt we were being called:

'To be a God-centred and family-focused community that helps everyone meet Jesus'

You can read more about our journey to this vision by reading our Vision Booklet.

#### Values

Following our agreement on our Vision, we went on a journey to look at the values of the church. We looked at who we are and spent time in prayer and meetings looking at what our core values are.

In June 2025, the church felt that we are to value:

#### Welcoming

We believe that God welcomes people into His arms
We want everyone to feel welcomed when they are with us

#### Caring

We believe in a caring God
We want to show care for people and the world

#### Listening

We believe that God listens to us when we call on Him We want to listen well to God and to people

#### Sharing

We believe in a generous God who shares His love and resources with us We want to share life, faith and Jesus with people in a generous way

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The Chosen - Season Five!

We are going to be showing season five, which will begin on **9th January 2026**, on Friday evenings from **7:30pm - 9:30pm.** Due to Friday Youth meeting downstairs, we will use one of the rooms upstairs.

We will follow the format we used for season four. Each week, we will watch one episode followed, after a break for refreshments, by the Round Table discussion hosted by Dallas Jenkins.

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#### **Open Doors petition**

Open Doors is a charity that we support, as a church, and they have sent through a petition, asking for signatures.

Arise Africa Petition: Stop the Violence. Start the Healing.

16.2 million Christians in sub-Saharan Africa are displaced by violence and conflict.

Christian leaders across sub-Saharan Africa are calling on the global church to stand with them against violent persecution. The petition to local governments, the EU and the UN, asking for:

**Protection**: providing robust protection from violent militant attacks.

**Justice**: ensuring justice through fair prosecutions of the attackers.

Restoration: bringing healing and restoration to all affected communities.

The petition is available on the information table on Sundays, or speak to Faith when you're next in the building.

#### Link to Hope - Update items most needed

At the end of July, Kay launched this year's shoebox appeal for Link to Hope.

There is a box in the Gathering Space to receive items, including shoeboxes. A <u>list of items</u> suggests the most useful items for the boxes, but other small gifts can be included.

The items we are most in need of are:

- Notebooks/small colouring books
- Small candles or tea lights in holders
- Combs/hairbrushes
- Sweets (June 2026 or after)
- Small games

During October, we will be wrapping boxes each Wednesday morning at Renew Café.

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Dear TRBC.
Thank you for your faithful pertnership over the years with TeachBeyond. Meals at TRBC feel like coming home. We are so thankful for the many ways our ministry paths cross. May the Lord continue to bless you as you serve the Pand Paralle Grane Howham community & the world.

#### TeachBeyond thank you card

We have received a thank you card from TeachBeyond, which you can read above. It will

also be available to view on our Information Desk, along with a TeachBeyond booklet.

"Dear TRBC, Thank you for your faithful partnership over the years with TeachBeyond. Meals at TRBC feel like coming home. We are so thankful for the many ways our ministry paths cross. May the Lord continue to bless you as you serve the Horsham community & the world.

David Durance.

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#### **Church Members Meeting - Change of date**

It has recently come to light that our Treasurer would not have been present for our November church meeting, as previously announced, due to being out of the country. As it is our budget meeting, the leaders feel his presence would be appreciated!

Therefore, they have decided to move the church members' meeting a week earlier to Sunday 23rd November at 12:30pm. This also means that nominations for leaders' elections will close a week earlier on Sunday 2nd November.

We apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause and appreciate your understanding.



#### **HCT** notices

Each week we receive notices from Horsham Churches Together. You can find this week's notices in the <u>link here</u>. This week they include:

#### News:

- Sharing Jesus this Halloween
- Winter Warm Up Activity Days
- Coming up at Dalesdown Christian Conference Centre

#### **Events:**

- Saturday 18th October: HDAS Charity quiz night
- Saturday 25th October: Sussex Green Hub
- Tuesday 4th November: 'An evening with Rob Parsons Reflections on the Journey'
- 10th to 15th November: Fire Camp
- Saturday 22nd November: Carol Singing Lantern Parade
- Sunday 23rd November: HCT Worship & Prayer Evening
- Saturday 29th November: Horsham Fairtrade Christmas Market
- Friday 5th December: The Magic of Christmas Horsham Matters event
- Saturday 6th December: Carols in the Carfax
- Advance notice of HCT events

Prayer of the week: Creativity and the Creator

#### **Employment opportunities:**

Dalesdown: Part-time Assistant Administrator

#### **Volunteering Opportunities:**

All Saints CE Primary School - Governors

- Horsham Matters
- Dalesdown maintenance
- YMCA DownsLink Group: Volunteer Chaplains
- Trustees required at The Oasis

#### Please note:

Whilst HCT carefully chooses these events and notices because they hope they will be useful to you and your church family, they are not directly responsible for the content from external groups and organisations.

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If you need to contact our Pastor, Jon White, his number is 07513 821549 or email jon.white@trbc.info (please note his day off is Saturday).

If you want to email all the leaders, please send it to <a href="leaders@trbc.info">leaders@trbc.info</a> and all the leaders will receive your email.

The Church Office number is 01403 240729.

If you need to contact Faith, our administrator, email <a href="mailto:admin@trbc.info">admin@trbc.info</a>

If you need to contact Emily, our housekeeper, email <a href="mailto:housekeeper@trbc.info">housekeeper@trbc.info</a>.

Her working hours are Monday and Friday 9:30am until 2:30pm.

If you have any safeguarding concerns, you can contact Rachel White, our Designated Person for Safeguarding, via email at <a href="mailto:safeguarding@trbc.info">safeguarding@trbc.info</a> or by contacting our safeguarding leader, Kay Chesters, via email at <a href="mailto:kay.chesters@trbc.info">kay.chesters@trbc.info</a>

# The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Psalm 19v1

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