

The Blaby Baptist Messenger



**April / May
2019**

A welcoming church serving the community with the love of Jesus

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Greetings from Pastor Pauline

*May all your prayers be answered
and may you feel the Lord's
presence near you...
not only for Easter,
but always.*

Happy Easter!

Personal

Jesus, With just one touch from your Almighty creative hand,
You have healed the sick and raised the dead.

How amazing is your Lordship over all the earth,

How powerful is your redeeming love.

How great was your sacrifice to go before us and bring forgiveness and hope.

By your stripes we ask for healing.

Standing within your reign and rule we ask for restoration.

May life and wellness grow in fullness until it overflows.

We lift Pastor Pauline, Wynne and Roy, Sharon and Allen, Anne, Mick and Mark, Jan and Roy, Di, Bette and all that need a healing touch up to you.

Amen.



Please pray for encouragement, perseverance, faithfulness and mental and physical health of these 3 Christians who were sent Cards of Encouragement before Christmas.



Rev Yumusa Nmadu
Nigeria



Marta
Ethiopia



Nguyen Trung Ton
Vietnam

Rev Yumusa Nmadu was recently elected General Secretary of the Evangelical Church Winning All (ECWA) denomination, one of the largest denominations in Northern Nigeria, with a membership of over 5,000,000 worldwide. He is also head of Christian Solidarity Worldwide in Nigeria and works to promote religious freedom across Nigeria. He is constantly at risk from attack by Fulani herdsmen and Boko Haram.

When **Marta** was very young, her family agreed to give her to the local witchdoctor as servant and wife. She was abused but a family member told her of God's love, and she became a Christian.

In her mid-teens, she left the witchdoctor's house, shared her faith and testimony with her family. All except her father came to faith in Christ. She needs prayer and encouragement to be free from the nightmares of her early experiences.

Pastor Nguyen Trung Ton is an outspoken human rights defender who was kidnapped by 'state agents?' in Feb 2017 and left naked, tied up and with serious knee and lung damage. He was tried on April 5th, 2017, on a charge of attempting to overthrow the state. He was sentenced to 12 years in prison and in July 2018 he was transferred to a prison camp, 1,000 km away from his home.



The joy of giving!

We thank God for inspiring so many people connected with Blaby Baptist Church to support the **Operation Christmas Shoebox 2018 Appeal** which resulted in **60** filled shoeboxes being sent on their journey. Thank you so much.

We now know that our boxes were amongst **66,837** sent to **Belarus**, a country east of Poland, with *“a population of 9,527,543, with 16% under the age of 15”*. In 2018, people in the UK packed an amazing **511,200 shoeboxes**.

Natasha (top left) lives in an orphanage. She said *“It was my first gift ever. I knew there were people out there who cared for me. I was not alone. I couldn’t believe what I was seeing in my box. There was a doll, a colouring book, crayons, and hair clips. It took me a minute to let it all sink in.”*

Jana (top right) lives in very poor conditions. She *“proudly showed off her favourite item, a large hairbrush. She jumped around excitedly in her new hat, as she explored every item in her shoebox gift.”*

“Every shoebox, packed with love and fuelled by prayer, has the potential to impact a child’s life in a very special way!”

Please pray for those who received our shoeboxes, that they may learn of the Love of Jesus for every one of them.

All quotes/pictures are from <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/belarus-2018/>



2 Timothy 1:6

*For this reason I remind you to
fan into flame the gift of God,
which is in you through the
laying on of my hands.*

"Save Me"

*Save me from myself, Lord;
Save me from my need
To always run my life, Lord,
To control my every deed.*

*Save me from my pride, Lord,
My focus on just me;
Help me learn to serve, Lord;
Show me how to be.*

*Save me from the world, Lord,
When tempting things entice;
Remind me of eternity
With You, in paradise.*

*I give my life to you, Lord
My every need you fill;
I'm resting in my faith, Lord;
You saved me, and you always will.*

By Joanna Fuchs



God Bless you Norma
And Herman here
With your BBC
Family

Blaby Baptist Church

81st year

Women's Own

April 3rd

Talk About China

May 1st

Music Afternoon



Bring a friend - she will be glad you did

Friendship Group

Meets every Wednesday evening
7:30pm

April 3rd Lent Talk BBC Lounge

April 10th Lent Talk BBC Lounge

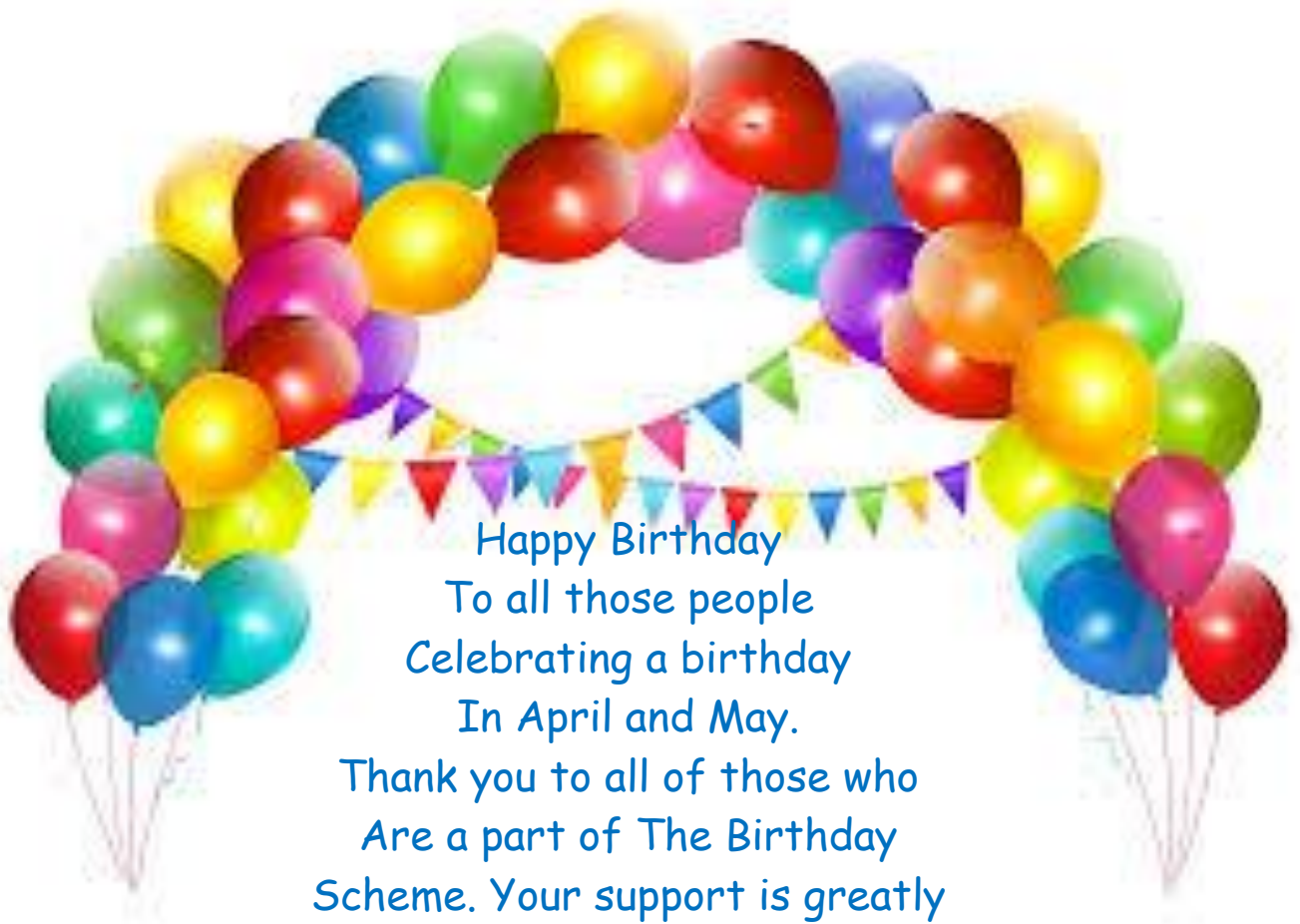
April 17th Easter

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May 1st BBC Lounge

Meet to organise the summer
timetable





Happy Birthday
To all those people
Celebrating a birthday
In April and May.

Thank you to all of those who
Are a part of The Birthday
Scheme. Your support is greatly
Appreciated by those your money
Helps. Thank you again for you
Support.



Get involved in this worthy cause. Talk to Ann James for
more information.



**BIRTHDAY
SCHEME**



*Do something wonderful on your birthday.
Share the gift of life.*



SUNDAY EVENING

WORSHIP MEETINGS

Dates are confirmed for our
evening meetings in 2019
which will be held at 6pm:-

28 April
19 May
30 June
28 July
18 August
29 September
27 October
24 November
No meeting in December



Praise Him!



**Discipleship, worship,
prayer,**

**Bible study and social
Usually meet Wednesday
evenings, various venues**

7:30pm

Contact Kathryn:

07954784994

BLAZE

Games, singing,
stories,
crafts and
competitions

Ages from 3- 11

We invite you to our
exciting new children's & young people's
groups on Sunday's from 10.30am

Youth Group
12 upwards

A fun group to help
young
people deal with the
daily
difficulties they
face today
in a positive fun
way



Blaby Baptist Church, Northfield Road, LE8 4GUPastor - Pauline Wills 0116 277 0780

www.blabybaptistchurch.org.uk

Come and join us for



It is time for the whole family to be involved in:

April 7th

Games

Songs

Crafts

Stories

May 5th

Activities

Food

We will be delighted to welcome you on the first Sunday of each month at 4pm

what
if **YOU** could
ASK GOD
ONE QUESTION

Alpha

Do you have questions?

What is the meaning of life?

Why do bad things happen to good people?

Why is there suffering?

Who is God?

Come along to the Alpha Course and find the
answers you are looking for.

If you would like to be part of an exciting
journey? Talk to June Hughes for more
information.

June Hughes 0780 9502830

Blaby Baptist Church



Easter Holiday Club

**Friday 19th
April 2019
10am to 12 noon**



**Lego, Games, Stories, Crafts
and free Lunch**

Northfield Road, Blaby, LE8 4GU
Pastor - Pauline Wills 0116 247 7450
www.blabybaptistchurch.org.uk

Steady Steps Plus

£3

Per session



**A rejuvenating exercise programme helping
to develop strength and balance**

**Are you
over 65?**

**Do you feel
unsteady on
your feet?**

**Have you
previously
fallen or worry
about falling?**

**Would
you like to
improve your
balance?**

SESSION DETAILS

THURSDAYS - 2-3PM

BLABY BAPTIST CHURCH
NORTHFIELD ROAD
BLABY
LEICESTER
LE8 4GU

SESSION LENGTH: 1 hour

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

For more information and to book your place please contact:

NAME Health and Leisure Services

EMAIL leisure@blaby.gov.uk

TELEPHONE 0116 272 7703

www.lrsport.org/steadysteps



Better care together
Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland health and social care



**LEICESTER-SHIRE
& RUTLAND SPORT**
PHYSICAL ACTIVITY & WELLBEING

Blaby District Council
the heart of Leicestershire

To face the challenges we see in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland and to deliver our plans to meet them, health organisations have created Better Care Together - a Sustainability and Transformation Partnership (an STP). The partnership is working closely with local authorities too.

Offertory

January	Envelopes	Open	Total
6th	£267.50	£74.00	£ 524.25
13th	£217.50	£62.15	£462.40
20th	£327.50	£89.20	£599.45
27th	£275.00	£79.16	£536.91

Weekly Average £530.75

February

3rd	£550.00	£56.16	£788.66
10th	£422.50	£113.40	£718.40
17th	£257.50	£69.40	£509.40
24th	£247.50	£115.15	£545.15

Weekly Average £640.40

Les

Thank You
FOR
GIVING
...
GENEROUSLY



Easter Joy

Jesus came to earth,
To show us how to live,
How to put others first,
How to love and how to give.

Then He set about His work,
That God sent Him to do;
He took our punishment on Himself;
He made us clean and new.

He could have saved Himself,
Calling angels from above,
But He chose to pay our price for sin;
He paid it out of love.

Our Lord died on Good Friday,
But the cross did not destroy
His resurrection on Easter morn
That fills our hearts with joy.

Now we know our earthly death,
Like His, is just a rest.
We'll be forever with Him
In heaven, where life is best.

So we live our lives for Jesus,
Think of Him in all we do.
Thank you Saviour; Thank you Lord.
Help us love like you!

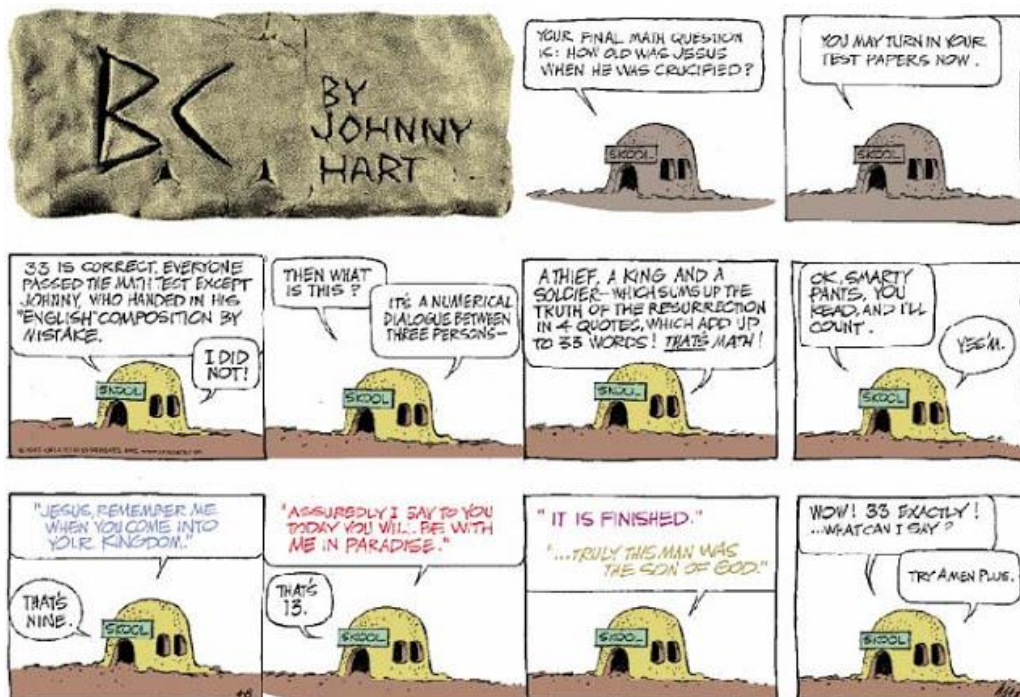
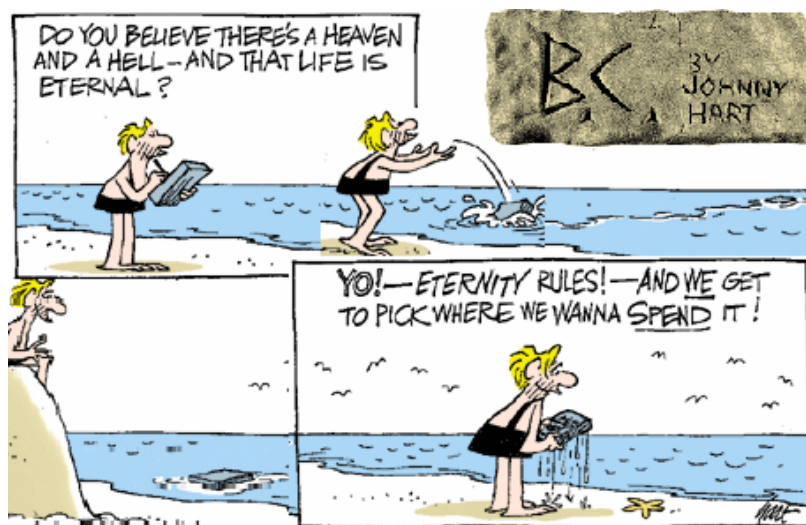
By Joanna Fuchs



Thoughts from the Reluctant Editor



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Blaby Baptist Church Calendar

April

Sun 7th Morning Worship + Blaze **Messy Church 4 pm**
Mon 8th Deacons' Meeting 7 pm
Tue 9th Bible Study 7 pm

Sun 14th Palm Sunday Morning Worship
Baptism of Jon & Laura followed by 'Bring and Share' lunch.
Mon 15th Prayer Meeting 7 pm
Thu 18th Maundy Thursday Communion service 7 pm
Fri 19th Good Friday **Holiday Club 10am - noon**
Good Friday "At the cross" service 7 pm.
Sat 20th Wedding of Patricia & Stuart
Sun 21st Easter Morning Worship + Communion
Tue 23rd Bible Study 7 pm
Sun 28th Morning Worship + Blaze **Evening Praise 6 pm**
Mon 29th 'Churches Together in Blaby' Meeting

May

Sun 5th Morning Worship + Blaze
Mon 6th Bank Holiday
Sun 12th Morning Worship + Blaze
Mon 13th Deacons' Meeting 7 pm
Tue 14th Bible Study 7 pm
Sun 19 Morning Worship + Blaze + Communion
Church Meeting **Evening Praise 6pm**
Sat 25th Josie & Gavin - Renewal of vows

Sun 26th Morning Worship + Blaze
Tue 28th Bible Study

June

Sun 2nd Morning Worship + Blaze **Messy Church 4 pm**
Mon 3rd Prayer Meeting 7pm
Sun 9th Pentecost Worship + Blaze
Mon 10th Deacons' Meeting 7 pm
Tue 11th Bible Study
Sun 16th Morning Worship + Blaze + Communion

Sun 23rd Morning Worship + Blaze
Tue 25th Bible Study 7 pm
Tue 25th July 3rd Pauline on holiday
Sun 30th Morning Worship + Blaze **Evening Praise 6 pm**



Church Services

Sunday Service: 10:45 am

Communion: The third Sunday of every month.

Groups

Wednesday:

Playtime: 10am-11:30 an informal drop-in session for babies and toddlers. £1 per session.

Contact Pauline 0116 2477450

Friendship Group: 7:30pm-9pm every Wednesday.

Contact Pauline 0116 2477450

Women's Own: 2:30-4pm every first Wednesday.

Contact Pauline 0116 2477450

Friday:

Rhythm Time: morning classes (babies and toddlers)

Contact Chris 0116 2773239

Rainbows/ Brownies/ Guides/ Rangers

Contact Beryl 07891689841

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