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God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

Psalm 46:1

Prayer Chain: If you'd like to request a prayer for yourself, or for someone you know, please email kathy.cohen@btinternet.com (or phone 01440 762536) and your message will be forwarded to all those on the prayer email list (about 200 people).

Prayer Ministry: This is available after the morning service each Sunday. Please approach someone wearing a lime green lanyard which has the words Prayer Ministry Team printed on it.

Please remember our Churches Together online Prayer Wall here

Hearing Loop: We have a hearing loop, switch your hearing aid to the T position if available.

Mobile Phones: Please make sure your phone is off or set to silent before the service begins.

Harvest Giving

A huge thank you for your generosity during Harvest time. WOW! We're so grateful for your donation of 164.2kg of food, as well as £60 which will give a local family in crisis somewhere to turn when they are desperately worried about their next meal, or next bill.

Your gift will help provide 109 meals for local families who are facing crisis right now.

During this season, many of us pause to give thanks for the food we receive, and your donation has brought that same sense of gratitude to countless people. (Received from Henry and the REACH team.)

Sunday Club Registration

It is wonderful to have so many children attending Sunday Club. We are

updating our Sunday Club records and have a new registration form to complete for each child. If you have not yet completed one, please see Claire or a member of the team to collect one. Or see a copy attached below.

Thanks, Claire Evans

Light Party

Children up to age 11 are invited to our Light Party on Sunday 9th November from 4.30-6pm. More information below, invite your friends and book your spaces!

We would also love some more helpers too – in the kitchen or supporting with crafts/activities. Youth helpers are also very welcome. Please let Claire Evans know if you can help. claire@evans-mail.co.uk

Toy Service

Our annual Toy Service this year will be held on Sunday 7 December. For the benefit of those people who are new to the church I will give you a brief outline of what happens. Everyone is invited to bring a toy/gift to the service and these will be accepted by the Town Mayor, Councillor Quinn Cox, on behalf of Social Services. These will then be passed on to Social Services who will distribute the gifts to children in the town who would otherwise get very little at Christmas. The only stipulation by Social Services is that the toys are new and unwrapped, and cover the age range 0-18 years as they like to be able to give a gift to each child in the family. They assure me that these gifts are very much appreciated. Rosemary Fletcher

Memories are Golden Community Hub

Our Church Tithing Fund recently made a donation to the Memories are Golden Community Hub, we have received the following response: 'Thank you to Haverhill Methodist Church for your kind donation towards our community hub. Every penny that is donated goes into providing a safe and welcoming place for people with dementia and those experiencing social isolation.' Please continue to pray for this wonderful work.

Drug, Alcohol and Smoking Awareness Session

On Monday 3rd November, the Kerala Cultural Association Haverhill (KCAH) are organising a morning of understanding and preventing drug, alcohol and smoking misuse. The session will include talks from expert advisors, as well as an opportunity for open questions and answers. It begins at 10am at Chalkstone Community Centre. All are welcome. Please see the advert

below for more information. 'Let's learn, share, and support a healthier future.'

Music Exams

There will be music exams taking place in the church, vestry and coffee lounge on Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th November. Please do not enter these areas and please be aware of noise around the site, particularly in the car park. Thank you.

Town Pastors

The Town Pastors will be on the streets this Friday 31st October, from 8pm to midnight. Please keep them in your prayers and support those who bring this important ministry to our streets.

If you are interested in becoming part of this aspect of God's work in our town please speak to Kathy, Angela Proctor, David Payne, Phoebe, Mary Thake, Pat Shanks, Dot Parker, Sarah Glasswell, Paula Tappin or Jack Tappin, we can all tell you about our experiences as home prayers, base leaders or actually being out on the streets. Or contact the chairman, Ian Levett.

Car Park

To help relieve congestion in the church car park on Sunday mornings we have been given kind permission by the Haverhill Family Practice doctors' surgery and pharmacy to use their rear car park. This is located just down Camps Road from the church (NOT the one across the road). Please take care and be considerate to other users, from the Baptist Church and Haverhill Pharmacy, or else this kind privilege could be withdrawn. *Parking at any time other than Sunday mornings is prohibited.*

Weekly Offering & Gift Aid

We do not ask visitors for money, however should you wish to give there is an offering bowl just inside the main doors to the church at each service. If you wish to give regularly by standing order/online banking (which helps us avoid banking costs incurred by paying in cash/cheques) the account details are as follows.

Account name: Haverhill Methodist Church.

Account number: 00060578 Sort code: 30-93-99.

You can also help without increasing your current giving: if you already have a standing order and pay tax to the Inland Revenue, you can sign the Gift Aid declaration, which will boost your donation by 25%. The Gift Aid Declaration form can be requested from any steward. The amount claimed back in recent years has approached £10,000 pa and has often prevented expenditure exceeding income in the annual accounts.

Haverhill & District Churches Together News and Events
 Haverhill Praise at West End Congregational Church, Nov 30th at 4pm.

Information for publication in Connect, or on the Sunday Morning Scroll may be emailed to: kathy.cohen@btinternet.com

Dates for your Diary

November		
		Preacher: Rev Moses John- All Age Service
2 nd	10.30am	Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge
		Flowers: Jacqueline & Stefan Stewart
3 rd	7.45pm	Women's Bible Study in the Church Hall
4 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
5 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
9 th	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
	10.30am	Preacher: Rev Moses John- Communion
		Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge
		Flowers: Len Jacobs
	4.30-6pm	Light Party in the Church Hall
10 th	7.45pm	Women's Bible Study in the Church Hall
11 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
12 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
16 th		Preacher: Rev Moses John
	10.30am	Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge
		Flowers: Margaret & Roger Beaumont
17 th	7.45pm	Women's Bible Study in the Church Hall
18 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
19 th	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
23 rd		Preacher: Rev Moses John
	10.30am	Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge
A.L.		Flowers: Bryan and Jenny Ellicott
24 th	7.45pm	Women's Bible Study in the Church Hall
25 th	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
26 th	All Day	Music Exams Taking place- please do not enter!
	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
A.L.	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
27 th	All Day	Music Exams taking place- please do not enter!
30 th		Preacher: Rev Moses John- 1 st in Advent
	10.30am	Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge
		Flowers: Alf Coe
December		
2 nd	11am-12	Tuesday Prayer in Coffee Lounge (or in your own home)
3 rd	10am-12	Open Mind in the Church Hall
	1-3pm	Young at Heart in the Church Hall
+h		Preacher: Kim Moses- Toy Service, 2 nd in Advent
7 th	10.30am	Prayer time 10am in Coffee Lounge
		Flowers: Vacant

^{*} If you would like to join the Flower Rota, please contact Sue Symonds
01440 763613 or harrys62@sky.com

JOIN US FOR A

LIGHT PARTY!

Sunday 9th November, 4.30-6.00pm Haverhill Methodist Church Hall

Games - Crafts - Glowsticks - Music - Food - Fun!

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Aimed at up to 11 years.

For more information or to book (including dietary requirements) please

email hmcmessychurch@gmail.com

Haverhill Methodist Church Sunday Club Children and Young People's Registration Form

For information please contact Claire Evans claire@evans-mail.co.uk

Child's Name:	
DOB:	
Full Address:	
Names of parents/guardians	
Email of guardian	
Phone number guardian	
School attended	
Does your child have any medical conditions that we need to be aw	are of?
Does your child have any allergies?	
Is there anything else we need to know?	

PLEASE TURN OVER TO COMPLETE THE FORM

[] Medical Treatment: As the parent/legal guardian of the above-named person I agree to them receiving emergency medical treatment, including anaesthetic, as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.				
[] Photo Permission: I give permission for my child's phwill be used for Haverhill Methodist Church purposes or	notograph to be taken during Sunday Club (The photographs aly, including prayer/newsletters).			
[] I give my permission for my child to attend the Sund	ay Club.			
[] I agree to be added to an email list to be informed o	f information about Sunday Club only (eg date reminders)			
[] I agree to be added to a Whatsapp group to be infor reminders)	med of information about Sunday Club only (eg date			
accordance with the UK Data Protection Act 1998. They	Haverhill Methodist Church Sunday Club will be processed in will only use the information to communicate with me about information with anyone else. I may request in writing to			
[] If any of my contact details change I will inform the group leader ASAP.				
Signed: Date	::			
Relationship to Child:				

KCAH AWARENESS SESSION – 3RD NOV 2025

Understanding & Preventing Drug, Alcohol & Smoking Misuse

Organized by:

Kerala Cultural Association Haverhill (KCAH)

In collaboration with:

Suffolk Drug & Alcohol Service – Turning Point & Mr. Daniel (Drug Strategy Lead, Highpoint)

- Time: 10:00 AM onwards
- Venue: Chalkstone Community Centre Millfields Way, Haverhill CB9 0JB

Programme:

- 10:00 AM Expert talk (Turning Point)
- 10:30 AM Open Q&A
- 11:00 AM Guest session by Mr. Daniel (Highpoint)

Goal: Let's gather 40+ participants to make a real impact!



Let's learn, share, and support a healthier future