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CareyNews

News from around our Fellowship



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HAPPY FACES VIP VISITOR

On Wednesday 6th May it was my pleasure to welcome Kettering's Mayor to our weekly coffee morning.

He took time out from his busy schedule to sit and relax with a cup of coffee and chat with everyone.

The added bonus was that we had wedding cake which Marion brought in from Heather's wedding at the weekend (below).



Whilst talking to us his chain of office came up and the security of it, he said he did not need a body guard as some Mayor's do because it was an 'original duplicate'.

The usual chatter and laughter was in abundance again and all too soon it was time to go home and leave the men to carry on with their Man Cave.

Dilys Mills

Carey Ministry Mission Outreach Community



Music Cafe



INVITATION

Sunday 7th June 2026 3.30pm

Carey Memorial Baptist Church

Join us for a relaxed time of meeting together and music.

There will be a variety of live music, from popular and classical to hymn tunes, along with readings and refreshments.

Something for everyone.

Theme this time: Kindness

Come along and bring your friends

All welcome



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REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Sunday

10.30 a.m. Morning Worship

Tuesday

7.30 p.m. House group

8.15 p.m. Join for prayer

Both on Sunday Morning Zoom Link

Wednesday

10.00 a.m. Coffee Morning

12.00 noon Man Cave

Thursday

2.30 p.m. Bible Study in the middle vestry

1st Saturday of the month

10.00 a.m. Joint Prayer Meeting at Carey

MAGGIE'S MUSINGS

On Sunday 3rd May, our cafe-style service, 'He is Risen' was led by Pat Basson. On arrival, we could get ourselves a cuppa and delicious cakes (kindly provided by Marion Elmore... see next article)

The service was for all ages and Pat showed us a video 'The Seriously Surprising Story', showing us all what happened on the road to Emmaus.



We were then treated to a sketch taken from the reading John 20 verses 19-31. Our actors were Steve Maxwell (Jesus) Darren Tecklenberg, Carl Hayland (both fearful disciples) and Graham Sergison (Doubting Thomas) after which we

watched another short video 'Doubting Thomas - Seeing is Believing'

As a part of us thinking about how Doubting Thomas felt, Pat told us that we could step through an A4 sheet of paper. Most of us doubted this, but Pat provided some A4 paper and scissors for us all to help show us how this could be done.

Our youngest members were given safety scissors to use. Our paper sheets had printed markers on, so after folding





our paper, we cut the markers as guided by Pat. After completing this task, most of our A4 sheets concertinaed out into a big opening that we could step through!

On our table, Ivy Holmes tried out her newly acquired cutting skills so we had a slightly different end result to anyone else!

Pat then told us that this was something that when someone says "I don't believe you" we can show them that this is true - seeing is believing that it can be done, just like Doubting Thomas did when he touched the wounds in Jesus' hands.

Pat spoke about faith and told us faith is like a muscle and if we don't use it, it can become dimmer, like an LED candle (with the battery running out). Prayers were given for anyone known to us that needed God's guiding and healing hand.

At the end of the service, Pat prayed a 'Sending Out Prayer' and part of this was: "Help us to know you more as we go out and share your love with all we meet, amen".



Congratulations

Once again, it is lovely to share some good news from our (Ex) Boys' and Girls' Brigade members.

Simon Mitchell and his wife Sophie welcomed their son, Louis into the world on 25th April, making Keith and Jeanette Mitchell very proud Grandparents, along with Auntie Zoe Mitchell.



Also, good news from Marion Elmore on the occasion of her daughter Heather's marriage to Andy on 2nd May (left).

Thank you Marion for sharing the delicious cakes with us all, which were from Heather and Andy's wedding.

*Andy and Heather Clarke with her Mum,
Marion Elmore and her Matron of Honour,
Jane Arnold*

Congratulations to you all!



Maggie Barnes

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

It is always sad to receive a resignation from someone within the church but these things happen and I appreciate circumstances change or sometimes people just need a change.

Two of our ladies have retired from separate jobs recently, firstly, Margaret Barnes stood down at the AGM as Church Meeting Minutes Secretary after taking them for nearly 10yrs.

Joy Sergison has also stepped down from her roles as a Deacon and as our Junior Church Secretary. Joy has been a Deacon for just over 30 years and Junior Church Secretary for 10 years.

I would like to thank both of them for their faithful service over the years and I am sure if they want to return to these positions or any other ones they would be welcome. They will both be missed. I hasten to add they have not left the church and are still active members (we look forward to the meals both ladies are involved with).

I am looking forward to working with Seth Peel to produce the church meeting minutes and with whoever feels called to come onto the Diaconate.



Margaret Barnes and Joy Sergison

The good news is we are developing a little group of children and their families but we need to re-establish the creche and the Junior Church. So if you have a passion for young people and children, then Carey is the place for you!

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BAPTISMS

Baptism is an opportunity for Christians to publicly declare and affirm their faith in, and commitment to follow, Jesus Christ.

It uses water to signify new birth, identifying with Jesus' death and resurrection. If you have never taken this step of faith and would like to know more do talk to one of the Deacons (their details are on page 2).

We are currently planning a baptism service, hopefully at the beginning of July.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

We are in the process of setting up a Junior Church and Creche for the church so that parents and carers can enjoy/listen to the service. Therefore we need volunteers for a rota.

If you are interested you can go to the [Volunteering at Carey](#) webpage you can download a job description and an application form or contact either the Church Secretary or our safeguarding DPS. (Details on Pg 2).

Keith Mitchell
Church Secretary

A poster for 'The Grace Course' discipleship course. The text on the poster includes: 'Sunday Afternoons', 'July 12th 19th 26th', 'August 9th 16th 23rd', 'THE GRACE COURSE', 'FROM FREEDOM IN CHRIST MINISTRIES', 'STEVE GOSS, RICH MILLER & JUDE GRAHAM', 'A 6-WEEK DISCIPLESHIP COURSE FOR EVERY CHRISTIAN', 'LET GOD'S GRACE FREE YOU TO BE REAL AND BEAR MUCH FRUIT', and 'Led by Laura'. The poster is framed with a grey border. On the left side of the border, there is contact information: 'Secretary@careybaptist.co.uk' and '07777 637988'. On the right side, the text 'Proposed Dates' is written vertically.

FROM BARBARA'S BIRO

Hi, hope you are all fit and well, I've just come back from five days in Llandudno in North Wales. The weather was good, apart from one day when the heavens opened and it hailed! Unfortunately we were up a mountain at the time but as we stopped to get some lunch it the rain and hail stopped aswell and it turned quite pleasant.



Barbara with her new friends

We also went to Chester, a very pretty city and after a trip on the open top bus we found a beautiful church where the windows were lovely. After another cuppa we sat in the gardens to watch the world go by. It was a very nice day.

Two weeks ago at the coffee morning we had a visit from the Mayor and we even made it onto his Facebook page (fame at last!)

As I sit writing this, the rain is coming down, what's happened to summer??!! It is supposed to be returning next week, we can only hope so.

See you in another month.

Barbara Hendry



Note: At time of print the sun has been out for a week and it is too hot!!!!!!!

Ed

CONGRATULATIONS

Recently, Charity Nkosi announced her engagement to her fiancé, Harvey Barnes! (Pictured below).

He joined Charity as she came back to preach on the 10th May, and it was wonderful to have her back.

I think I can speak for the whole church when I say that we wish you both the very best for the future and we look forward to seeing you back at Carey, hopefully soon!

Seth Peel

Photo Courtesy of Seth Peel



CAREY FABRIC TEAM

We are setting up team to carry out some of the easier fabric jobs around the church.

If you can help, Fred Northern is heading up the team giving guidance but he needs willing volunteers to help. No knowledge required just a willingness to help.

The first work morning has been arranged for Saturday, 11th July 2026 at 9.00 a.m., primarily to dig a small French drain along part of the front of the building.

If you would like to be added to the WhatsApp group let me know.

Keith Mitchell
Church Secretary

COFFEE MORNING CORNER



WEDNESDAYS

10 a.m. to 12 noon

£1 will get you Refreshments, plenty of Chattering, Friendship and Fellowship.

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As many of you may know I volunteer as a group organiser of day trips and holidays. At the end of April I took a party of 16 to Llandudno for 5 days, some were family, some friends and some Happy Faces members.



The hotel was on the seafront with glorious views of the bay. We enjoyed a day in Chester a drive through Snowdonia with a lunch break in Betws-y-Coed and had a free day in Llandudno which was hosting a Victorian Extravaganza.

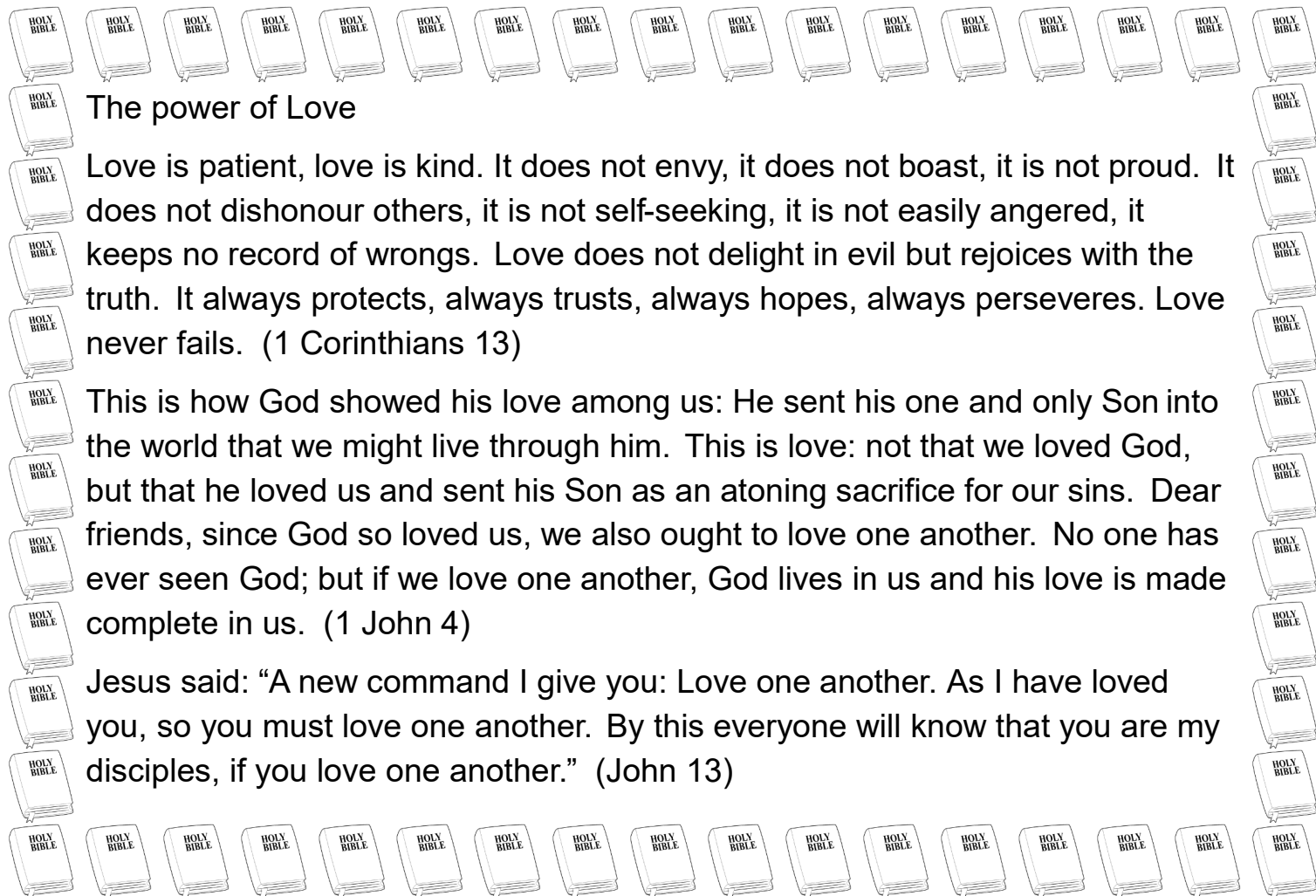


There was a Vintage Transport Exhibition and in the high street was an old fashioned Fun Fair.

The weather was kind to us and with good food at the hotel and good company everyone enjoyed themselves.

Next year we're off to Weymouth. Anyone interested in joining us would be very welcome. If you can't wait that long to get to the coast we are having a day trip to Cromer on 9th September £25 per person just contact me.

Dilys Mills



The power of Love

Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonour others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. (1 Corinthians 13)

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us. (1 John 4)

Jesus said: "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." (John 13)

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOE BOX APPEAL

Important Shoebox Update



Hello there to all our friends who support our Samaritans Purse Christmas shoebox appeal, thank you for all the generous donations and gifts given in the first half of 2026. Now, as we approach the latter half of the year, the hard work starts to match the 2025 target of 120 filled boxes.

Bulk buying has helped to purchase some cheaper items, however there are still bargains to be had out there in Kettering town Centre. Last week we managed to get 6 Jotter notebooks from Boyles for £1.29, a pack of six small toothbrushes and a pack of four large toothbrushes at £1 each from Pound Stretchers in Gold St; and flannels at 29p each from Bargain Store in the Newland Centre, all worthwhile buying and not a ruinous affair.

Just to help us, and for you to know what items that are still required for 2026, we have made a list. With your help, as Adrian said in his sermon on 17th May with prayer and God's willingness, we can achieve our targets, by the end of October. So here it goes: Empty Shoe boxes of a good size = 95.

Stationery

Calculators or small stationery sets with protractors = 20.

Hygiene

Flannels - Females = 17, Males = 23.

Hair slides and bands.

Toys (2-4 yo)

Playdough = 8 packs of four, i.e. 32 individual tubs from the Bargain Store (4 tubs for £1)

Stuffed toys/bears (2-5 yo with no metal bits, glass, eyes etc) = 11

Games = 22 i.e. Soft light balls (2-4 yo), Building bricks, etc.

Toys (5-9 yo)

Stuffed toys or bears = 7

Toys = 14 i.e. sunglasses, juggling balls, cars, skipping ropes.

Clothing

Scarves for all ages, especially aged 2-4 knitted or purchased.

I hope this list helps you with your shopping. If you would prefer to donate financially instead, we can shop for you, just see either Darren or myself, Keith or Julie.

Please keep praying for the children's shoebox appeal and for the packing day after a bring and share lunch in the Autumn. Come along and join us and go back to your childhood and have some fun sorting out all the donations into boxes.

A big thanks to all who support this outreach.

Sandra & Darren Tecklenburg

BON VOYAGE DENISE, THANK YOU

Over the last month Denise Watson has moved nearer to her two sons. As well as being a valued supporter of Carey she has been a Member of Grange Methodist and an Officer in their Girls' Brigade Company (2nd Kettering).

Also her two sons, Mark and Craig, went through the Boys' Brigade company here at Carey.

Another one of many connections between Denise and Carey is her sister, Dianne Neal, and her niece, Sarah Ryan, have attended Carey regularly since Grange Methodist Church closed in 2018.

The photo right shows a recent visit by Denise and Dianne to see Sheila Farrow in Avery Court.



CAREY CONTINUES TO SUPPORT



We are still collecting loose change for the Goodwill Village in India. So far this year we have raised £55 which has come mostly from the collecting tin in Thursfield Chemist in town. (Thank you to Jane Arnold).

Last year we raised a total of £195 towards the destitute and orphaned children of India. If you have any spare change then either put it in an envelope and put it in the collection plate or I will count it and bank it for you.

Happy Faces raise and send their own donation to the charity.

Keith Mitchell

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 2026

As a church we raised a total of £61.52 (£71.74 inc. Gift Aid) via both envelopes and our online envelope.

You can still donate by either:

1. Using the envelopes available in the church.
2. Following the link (right) where you can donate directly to Christian Aid, you can also Gift Aid your donation and all of you donation will all get credited to Carey's Annual Collection for the appeal.
3. Donating directly to Christian Aid via their website.



Thank you



Monthly figures time ...

Throughout April we helped 303 adults & 165 children, providing food for 6552 meals



This is an 11% increase on last year

BMS WORLD MISSION

Dear Carey

I want to thank you so much for your generosity in supporting BMS World Mission over the last year. In 2025 Carey Memorial Baptist Church gave £1,000.00. We appreciate that for many churches, your giving to BMS is sacrificial at a time of limited resources and multiple competing demands. Your faithful giving is greatly appreciated, and we are working hard to maximise the Kingdom impact of your gift.



Volunteers at a welcome centre for refugees in Cyprus

Last year, 736,000 people were impacted by BMS work around the world, and your church is a significant part of that. Our CEO Kang-San Tan has made a short thank you video message for churches. We would be honoured for you to show it as part of a members' meeting as feedback on the impact of your church's giving. [Download here](#)

We are partnered with Ardi Wiriadinata, who has a director role with Asia Pacific Baptist Federation to help pioneer an exciting new Asian-centred mission movement. This has seen Asian Baptist conventions send mission workers overseas for the first time. In 2025 we saw four conventions send eight new mission workers to some of the least reached parts of Asia. This is part of their vision to see healthy churches being planted in every country in Asia.

These mission workers, thanks in part to your giving, are part of a cohort of 37,897 evangelists and church planters that we helped train last year. This has led to the planting of 24,705 small group fellowships across the world. Your giving has also helped enable 63,546 people to receive support through regular, planned BMS programmes, and for 516 churches to be equipped to live out their faith in their communities, building self-sufficiency and addressing the causes of poverty.

The generosity of UK churches and individuals has also enabled 6,396 forcibly displaced people to receive help while in transit and equipped 491 workers to support and welcome new arrivals across Europe. The consistent compassionate giving of UK churches has made it possible for us to assist 603,556 people affected by disasters in multiple locations around the world.



Outreach event in Thailand

If you want to see how else Carey Memorial Baptist Church has helped across the world, read our incredible Impact Report which breaks down even more ways your support has changed the world through BMS. [Read the 2025 Impact Report](#)

If I can help you as a church feel better connected to BMS, please don't hesitate to ask. Once again, we are so grateful for your consistent and generous support. So much of what we do would not be possible without the support of churches like Carey Memorial Baptist Church.

Every blessing,
John Settatee
 Church Engagement Manager,
 BMS World Mission



JUNE DIARY

Tuesday	2 nd	7.30 p.m. 8.15 p.m.	House Group (On-Line) Prayer Time
Wednesday	3rd	10.00 a.m. -12 noon	Coffee Morning Man Cave
Thursday	4th	2.30 p.m.	Bible Study
Saturday	5th	10.00 a.m.	Prayer Meeting at the church (side door)
Sunday	7th	10.30 a.m. 3.30 p.m.	Morning Worship - Susan Deacon Music Café
Tuesday	9th	7.30 p.m. 8.15 p.m.	House Group (On-Line) Prayer Time
Wednesday	10th	10.00 a.m. -12 noon	Coffee Morning Man Cave
Thursday	11th	2.30 p.m.	Bible Study
Sunday	14th	10.30 a.m.	Morning Worship - Colin Medleycott
Tuesday	16th	7.30 p.m. 8.15 p.m.	House Group (On-Line) Prayer Time
Wednesday	17th	10.00 a.m. -12 noon	Coffee Morning Man Cave
Thursday	18th	2.30 p.m.	Bible Study
Sunday	21 st	10.30 a.m.	Morning Worship - Martin Turnbull
			Last Day for Items for the July Newsletter
Tuesday	23rd	7.30 p.m. 8.15 p.m.	House Group (On-Line) Prayer Time
Wednesday	24th	10.00 a.m. -12 noon	Coffee Morning Man Cave
Thursday	25th	2.30 p.m.	Bible Study
Sunday	28th	10.30 a.m.	Morning Worship - Phillip Copperwheat
Tuesday	30th	7.30 p.m. 8.15 p.m.	House Group (On-Line) Prayer Time

MONTHLY ROTAS

Welcome: Jeanette Mitchell

Sunday Coffee

- 7th Fred & Joan Northern
- 14th Neil & Kari Humphrey
- 21st Sandra & Darren Tecklenberg
- 28th The Peel family

Sunday Flowers

- 7th Mr. & Mrs. S Maxwell
- 14th In Memory of Joan Carnell & Dorothy Webb
- 21st Mr. & Mrs. D Mitchell
- 28th Mrs. M. Cooper

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