

## **Hazelbury Bryan Methodist Chapel 2013**

We ask for God's blessing and guidance on your Parish Council meeting.

Thank you for this opportunity to give a report. We are not sure exactly what information you are looking for about our Chapel but will attempt to explain our aim and function. Also, we will set out some of the activities in the Chapel.

The main purpose of this Chapel is to be a means by which individuals within the surrounding area will be led to know the unconditional love of God through Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour. We attempt to do this by seeking to grow stronger in our faith through joining together for worship and fellowship, by offering regular activities and events to which all are welcome and by being available to help those in need in the community by sharing our faith in words and action.

This year we are celebrating 150 years of worship in the current Methodist Chapel in Hazelbury Bryan and invite all to attend any of the celebration events being held during 2013. If anyone is interested in joining us for any of our events we have supplied lists of the 'Special Events' being held.

In May, Godfrey Symes and a friend will be cycling from Hazelbury Bryan Chapel to Epworth, the home of the Wesley family and subsequently of Methodism, and then back by train to Hazelbury Bryan. On the 19 May 2013, Godfrey will be joining us for worship and will set out the next day. (He has requested that this be a sponsored cycle ride in aid of the Chapel). If any one wishes to contribute to that sponsorship please contact Terry or Carole Miller on 01258 472401

On Sundays there is Sunday School at 9.40am but on the first Sunday of most months this is replaced by Family Worship, when all are invited to join us. Evening worship is each week at 6 pm.

On Friday mornings (during Term Time) from 10 am to 12 noon the 'Little Fishes' Parent and Toddler Group meets and on Friday evenings (during Term Time) at 6 pm for Juniors and 7.30 pm for Seniors we hold our Youth Clubs.

On the second Tuesday of each month we hold a Craft Morning, which is open to all who wish to join us. On display currently in the Chapel is a cross covered with lovely little cross-stitched crosses, and also a knitted 'Last Supper'. There have also been jewellery making, card making and various other craft sessions.

On the first and third Wednesdays of each month there is a Coffee Morning and Bring & Buy, which is open to all who would like to pop in for refreshment and a chat! The proceeds of the Coffee Morning are divided between a chosen charity and the Chapel.

Each year we hold a Spring Fayre, Easter and Good Friday Services, a Christmas Day service, Harvest Services (including a Monday Service and Auction of produce), Anniversary Services (including a Monday celebration). For a couple of years we have held a Pet Service on a Friday evening (to enable the children to take part) and also a Youth Club/Sunday School Anniversary Service, which recently we have held on a Friday rather than as previously on a Sunday.

If anyone wishes us to pray for them, or if they would like a visit from the Minister, or a member of the Chapel, please contact Terry or Carole on 01258 472401 or our Minister, Rev Ros Hollingsworth on 01747 82377.