

## Children's and Youth Work at Guiseley Baptist Church

### **Sunday Mornings**

Sessions for children and youth run alongside our Sunday morning worship. The children's session is for children up to Year 6 and the youth sessions are for young people from Year 7 to 17 years of age.

### **Sunday Evenings**

**Youth Alpha:** every Sunday from 5:30-7pm. It allows young people to discuss different topics of faith. Food is provided.

### **Midweek Activities**

🏓 **Table Tennis Club:** Mondays from 4-5:30pm for children from Year 5 to 17 years of age. Term time only.

🚶 **GCT Kids Club:** Mondays from 6-7:15pm for children aged 5 - 11 years old. Meets term time only at Guiseley Methodist Church.

🎵 **Mainly Music:** Fridays from 10-11am for pre-school aged children. £3 entry fee per family, includes refreshments for adults and children.

🎮 **GBC Youth:** Fridays from 7-8:30pm for young people from Year 7 to 17 years of age. Various different games and activities including pool, table tennis and Xbox

**Please contact Joe Millar for more information.**

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*All of our groups are led according to our GBC safeguarding policy, which can be viewed on the GBC website - [www.guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk](http://www.guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk)*  
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**23rd April 2023**

### **'Slow Down'**

We have a Youth-led service this morning, looking at the Bible passage **Mark 5:21-45**.

Refreshments will be served at the end of the service; please do join us for a hot drink and a chat!

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*Audio recordings of previous sermons can be found on our website if you would like to catch up or revisit earlier sermon series*

**[www.guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk](http://www.guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk)**

# Welcome to Guiseley Baptist Church!

If you are visiting us today, we give you a warm welcome and trust you will feel at home. If you'd like to know more about GBC and what we do, please speak to one of the leadership team. Alternatively, our website- [www.guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk](http://www.guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk) - gives up to date details of church activities.

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## **Property Update**

We held a Special Church Meeting (SCM) last Sunday (16th April) to consider proposals about seeking our second manse (in Menston) and purchasing the buildings adjoining our chapel. We needed at least 50% of our church members to attend the SCM and were pleased that 62% came along. For a proposal to be agreed, we needed at least 67% of members present to vote in favour. The decisions to be taken were:

1. To permit the trustees to negotiate the sale of Manse 2 (*19 Moorland Crescent, Menston*) - the minimum being £370k
2. To permit the trustees to negotiate the purchase of the buildings adjoining our chapel (*24B-24C Oxford Road*) - the maximum being £435k
3. To permit the trustees to seek a loan from the YBA and/or BU (*to part-fund 24B-24C Oxford Road*) that is no more than £90k
4. To permit the trustees to make use of some of the church's cash reserves if member's gifts and/or loans, added to the YBA/BU loan, are insufficient to purchase 24B-24C Oxford Road - the range being £5k to £25k
5. To permit the trustees to negotiate either the early termination of the lease or the sub-letting of 'the Hub' offices, if the sale of Manse 2 and the purchase of 24B-24C Oxford Road goes ahead
6. To permit the trustees - if the purchase of 24B-24C Oxford Road is not possible - to retain Manse 2 and continue letting it out - using the income for the church's charitable purposes

We're delighted to report that 96% of members present voted 'yes' to all of the above. Further updates will be brought to the church in due course. Please pray for the trustees - and especially for Tony Tofrik who is managing the property negotiations and for Liz Allen who is dealing with finance related matters. The YBA have confirmed that they are prepared to offer GBC a loan to part-fund the purchase of the adjoining buildings - up to a maximum of £90k.

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## **Profile Update**

Thanks to those of you who provided feedback on the church profile by the deadline of 12th April. The deacons took account of these comments and the final draft of the profile will be brought to the Church Members' Meeting on Tuesday 25th April when approval for it will be sought so that we can move to the next stage of the pastoral vacancy process. More about this will be shared at the Church Members' Meeting.

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## **Church Members' Meeting**

This will take place on **Tuesday 25th April** at 7:30pm when we will discuss a number of things, including agreeing to the church profile and the profile for a new minister.

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## **GBC Kids Trip**

GBC Kids (with their parents/guardians) will be taking a trip to Meanwood Valley Urban Farm (Sugar Well Road, LS7 2QG) directly after the service on **30th April**. The trip is free of charge, but please be prepared to buy lunch from the on-site cafe or take a packed lunch with you.

We ask that you make your own way there. Please get in touch with Joe Millar for more details or if transport will be an issue.

More information about the farm can be found on their website:

[www.mvuf.org.uk](http://www.mvuf.org.uk) .

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## **Correction - Church Directory**

Neil Broome's email address is incorrect in the church directory. The correct email address is: [ferguss@talktalk.net](mailto:ferguss@talktalk.net)

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If you would like to put any information in the church notice sheet, please email [zoe.hutchinson@guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk](mailto:zoe.hutchinson@guiseleybaptistchurch.co.uk)