

## NOTICES

I would like to send the folk at Goring an invitation to come along to a 'Songs of Praise' at Emmanuel URC on Saturday, 24th February at 3 p.m. followed by tea and cake. If you could ask people to choose their favourite hymn and say why and then choose two of those suggested and send them to me then John (Bunker) can put the programme together. It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible. *Elspeth/Ellie Bunker*

Do Goodchild's granddaughter Hannah, has booked the Church Sanctuary for Do's memorial/thanksgiving service on Saturday 24th February at 2pm. About 20 family are attending and they have extended an invitation to all Do's friends at Church and would be pleased to see you. After the Service we will be serving teas/coffees and the family will bring biscuits/cakes. With this in mind they have asked for a rough idea of numbers. If you think you will be attending could you please pop your name on the list at the back of the Church. This will enable me to give the family an idea. Thank you *Wilma*

Next GLAD Meal: the Cricketers in Broadwater is booked for this coming Friday 2nd Feb at 12.15pm. Please add your name and dietary requirements to the list at the back of the Church, all ladies are welcome. *Val Gill*

An idea has been suggested that we sometimes have a 'Songs of Praise' type of service when the whole congregation could take part bringing their favourite songs and hymns or readings from the bible, poems etc. Perhaps some would like to give their testimonies. The 17th March this year has been suggested so there is plenty of time to consider the idea. As I am sure you can understand it has become quite hard to fill the preaching slots as many ministers have retired and lay preachers are working hard in their own churches, we are blessed with our own lay preachers who work hard for us and for other local churches.

Please let me know what you would like to hear and whether you would like to announce your choices and saying why you chose the item *Caroline*

Contributions for **Welcome**: E-mail: [welcome@gurc.org.uk](mailto:welcome@gurc.org.uk)

During February the Editor will be Wilf Rhodes; NEXT WEEK: Ryan Thomas

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# WELCOME

We are here to: Grow closer to God, Support and encourage each other, Share the love of Jesus

**Sunday 28th January 2024**

**New Here?**

The Welcome Team are here to help, do please make yourself known to them!

If you are new here to Goring United Reformed Church, please pick up a 'New Here?' leaflet from the back of the church or visit our website [gurc.net](http://gurc.net) under 'Publications' on the top Menu.

**10.30 am Morning Worship:** Rev. John Jennings  
**Duty Elder:** Mrs Val Berry

## TODAY'S HYMNS & READINGS:

MP 245 How great is our God  
MP 760 When we walk with the Lord  
MP 257 I am not skilled to understand  
MP 193 God moves in a mysterious way  
MP 932 Standing of the promises of God my King

Readings: Psalm 68; Psalm 78;  
Acts 8:26-28 and 34-39

**NEXT WEEK:** our Morning Service at 10.30am will be led by Mrs Hilary Redman. All our Sunday services are recorded for later viewing:  
<https://www.gurc.net>

## REGULAR DATES FOR THE DIARY (unless otherwise notified):

*For further dates or details, please refer to our on-line diary: [gurc.net/diary](https://www.gurc.net/diary)  
Please remember to email [diary@gurc.org.uk](mailto:diary@gurc.org.uk) with all additions or changes!!*

**Mini Fishes** – Mondays 9.30am Main Hall  
**Coffee, Tea & Cake Drop-in & Warm Space** - Mondays 2.00pm Sanctuary  
**Senior Table Tennis** -Tuesdays & Fridays 9.30am Main Hall  
**Bible Study** – Wednesdays 7.00pm Sanctuary, with Jonathan Cooper  
**Art & Craft Club** – 1st Saturday of the month: 3rd Feb 9.30am Sanctuary  
**Tuesday Fellowship** – 2nd Tuesday of the month: 2.15pm  
**Mid-week Praise** – 3rd Thursday of the month: 7.00pm  
**Church Family Breakfast** - 2nd Sunday of the month: 9.45am

## CHURCH FAMILY PRAYERS

Through the year we remember in prayer all those in our Church Family:  
Jill Colbourne, Mrs J Connelly, Alan & Val Cooper and Jonathan Cooper

**DAILY PRAYERS** *this week remembering the work of Living Hope Ministries talked about in last Sunday's service*

**Sunday:** Please pray for Peter M and Eddie in BURUNDI, working with the pygmy people there. John 3:16

**Monday:** Please pray for Jean and Mary Daniel in CONGO, particularly under the continuing civil unrest and political instability following the elections last month. John 1:12

**Tuesday:** Please pray for Chris and Tadele in ETHIOPIA, where the effects of the recent civil war and drought are threatening continued poverty and famine. John 6:35

**Wednesday:** Please pray today for Chris and Peter M in KENYA, that they may reach many people looking for peace in the midst of the political troubles. John 8:12

**Thursday:** Please pray for Jean and Isaac in LIBERIA, and that the new president will deal with the previous corruption and see through the promised improvements to the lives of the people. John 10: 7

**Friday:** Please pray for NZ and Aubrey in MALAWI, where they have seen many people come to Christ. Thank God for the relative peace and stability in the country at the moment. John 10:11

**Saturday:** Please pray today for Richard and Emmanuel D in NIGERIA, and that the country will begin to see benefits of the economic reforms made last year. John 11:25

*Please also continue to pray for our church and the future path we take as we discern what the Lord has in store for our community.*