



Welcome! Regular weekly events are listed on the white Benefice Card in the foyer. Church members: do fill in a **Congregational Information Form** if not done yet.

Giving: Look for forms and details on giving in the foyer, on the table.

Next Sunday 28th Oct CLOCKS GO BACK Don't turn up an hour early!

31st October Answering children's questions at Halloween. For a blog article that you might find useful try out the following link (blog has a link to a general leaflet on answering children's questions in downloadable pdf format): www.thegoodbook.co.uk/blog/news/2018/10/16/answering-childrens-questions-at-halloween/

Sat 3rd November 9.30-11am Benefice Prayer Breakfast at Church of The Saviour. Free breakfast (donations accepted) 9.30 – 10am Prayer 10-11am Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you think you may be coming for breakfast.



Saturday 10th November 10-4.30pm Walk Through Bible: OT Live! Relax and enjoy the fun and memorable sessions which take us through the Old Testament in a clear and inspiring manner. Tickets £14 (which includes handbook) from www.Bible.org.uk or ask for us to get you one. FREE for children 11-16 accompanied by an adult but they don't get the handbook. Hosted at St Bart's. Tea and coffee available. Bring a packed lunch. Tell your friends and neighbours, all welcome. **Invitation cards available in the foyer.**

Saturday 17th November 10-4pm The Northern Women's Convention @ All Saints Preston – to encourage Christian women across the region to live for Christ. Tickets £15 (£12 cons) <https://northernwomensconvention.yapsody.com/>

Attendance Register: If you want your attendance to be noted (especially for school entry) make sure you write your name legibly on the list in the foyer & indicate if children are present.



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Alan & Pat Davey write from Bordeaux in France: Well, what a couple of months! We're now settled into our fourth floor flat near the railway station with big windows giving panoramic views of the local building sites. There are some little drawbacks but in general we're very happy and settled, and Alan has an office again.



Then came Gwilym and Beth's wedding in Norwich. We flew to Stansted and hired a car, and all was just splendid. Meanwhile back in Bordeaux...

As the eventful summer approached we had not found a meeting place for the new French project. Two possibilities had ended in doors closed to a church. Many others had been explored, but we'd found nothing. Then one of our folk got a positive response from a restaurant right by a tram stop in the Chartrons area



by the quays. There's no other Protestant witness in that part of the Chartrons, it's the area that there was a vision for way back in 2005, and the restaurant is well-placed, comfortable and has a very friendly manager. So far "So Good". So services began on September 24th, two days after the wedding. We managed to fly back in time to be there and it is a great joy to see this new church begin to take

shape – for the moment known as Eglise de Bordeaux Chartrons.

So on Sundays there is the French service at 10.15 ably led by Maxime and Demelza and James together with their visionary team. Then at 16:30 the English service, still opposite the Roman amphitheatre in the brethren meeting hall. Now after all the excitement and upheaval comes the slog of consistent Christian service. Please pray for us to have the determination and persistence we all need so much. Also good rhythms of work and rest as well as God's enabling and blessing!

We have a great bunch of new students as well as some other new folk to integrate. We have a week of international pastor's conference in Nice. In other news, Catrin is preparing to go and serve in a South African orphanage for five months. It means funds and a visa, but so far so good.

Pat & Alan have applied for a 10-year right to remain in France (carte de sejour). It appears we do not qualify for French nationality because we are paid from overseas. Please pray also for the newly reformed CNEF33, the local group of the Conseil des Evangeliques de France. For this group to live we need God's Spirit to be at work in us. Alan is chairman but he can't give it life! Thank you for prayers.