

approximately £1,000.00.

This is an unexpected burden on the limited financial resources of the chapel, so



we would appreciate the continuation of your monetary support.

For the Anniversary, Wedding and Funeral services we are again indebted to Albert Slater for providing the musical accompaniment. To both Albert and Pearl we offer our gratitude and thanks for their continued help.

A THOUGHT FOR THE SEASON

“Don't let presents be a substitute for presence”

Enjoy fellowship with us in

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Forthcoming Events

Saturday 25th November

Christmas Fayre

12.00 p.m.-4.00 p.m.

Sunday 3th December

Christmas Gift Day Service

Hurst Green Town's Women's Guild

Singers 6.00 p.m.

Sunday 10th December

Nativity Service 6.00 p.m.

Sunday 17th December

Candlelight Carol Service 6.00 p.m.

Sunday 24th December

Evening Fellowship (Carols)

Christmas Day

Morning Service 9.00 a.m.-9.30 a.m.

Sunday 31st December

Evening Fellowship 6.00 p.m.

New Years Eve Service

11.45p.m.-12.15 a.m.

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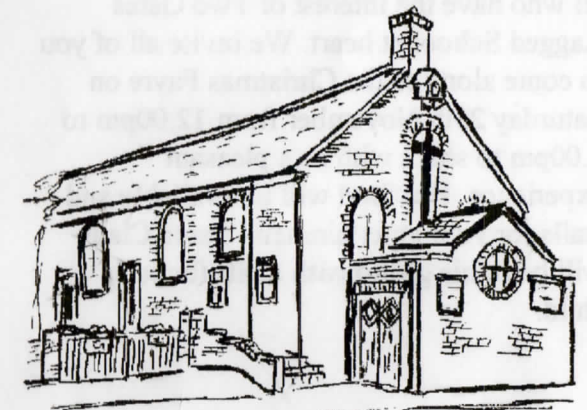
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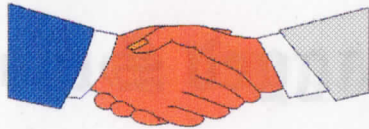


NEWSLETTER

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Welcome



At the beginning of this festive season may we offer seasonal greetings to all who have the interest of Two Gates Ragged School at heart. We invite all of you to come along to the Christmas Fayre on Saturday 25th November from 12.00pm to 4.00pm to share with us a pleasant experience. Hot food will be available and stalls for your entertainment. Santa Claus will be in his grotto with a gift for each child.



The Anniversary Services were held on the 4th & 11th of June. The children and young people performed excellently under the tuition of Albert Slater. Attendance's appeared to be higher than usual and for this we thank you. Total collections for the two Sundays were £2,529.89 (A Chapel Record).

SUMMER and AUTUMN ACTIVITIES

Sunday 25th June was the date for this years prize giving for good attendance, The books were presented by Mrs Marian Willoughby.

On Saturday 4th July Drayton Manor Park was the venue for the School 'outing'. A coach load of children, parents and friends had a very enjoyable day. Every one managed to get wet on the 'Log Flume'.



The School Children were taken on a 'history and ghost walk' round the perimeter of Cradley Park on Tuesday 5th September.

The harvest Festival was held on Sunday 10th September and musical items were provided by the 'Greenfield Singers' from Hagley. On the following evening Monday 11th the sale of goods was held.

Total collection and sale amounted to **£150.30**.

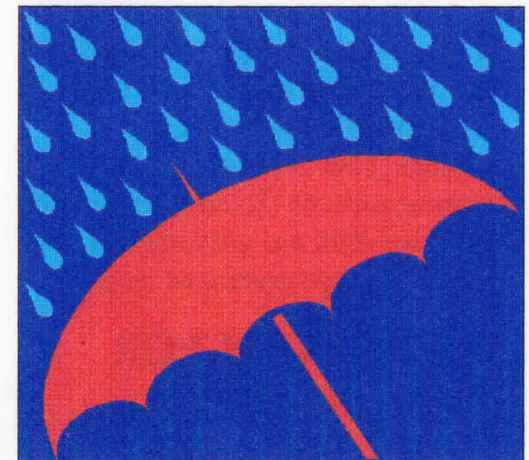
On Tuesday 24 th October a games night was held for the pleasure of the Sunday School children. A variety of games and quizzes were contested

Congregation membership remains stable, our thanks to you all,

however we would like to offer all our friends, on any Sunday, a warm welcome to spend a pleasant hour at our evening fellowship.

WIND and FLOOD

During late October and early November the Chapel suffered, like many others, at the whim of the weather. The large tree on the ground at the side of the chapel, (featured on many wedding photographs) was torn from the



earth along with a length of fencing. This has been cleared up by our friends from Two Gates Garden Centre. The exceptionally heavy rain during the same period has caused flooding in the downstairs toilet and primary department. After taking expert advice we find that to remedy the situation it is going to cost