

grateful thanks go to Cheryl and the family for the large donation that the Chapel received in lieu of funeral flowers. Two local characters also passed away this year, Mary Worton, mother of Linda and Jack Adlam, donations were received from both families.

A special thanks to Albert Slater who has played the organ at all weddings and funerals and has developed an exceptional relationship with the children and members of the congregation, also his wife Pearl who has become a special friend.

Thanks are also due to all members who have helped in any way to make the chapel a happy place to be in, so if you are a casual visitor who only attends special services why not consider becoming a more regular worshipper, we meet each Sunday from 6.00 p.m. You are assured of a very warm welcome from our members.

We give a special thank you to all of our visiting preachers who give of their time and talents so that we can see a different face and receive a new message each week of the year



Forthcoming Events

July 1 **DRAYTON MANOR PARK**

Sept 10 **HARVEST FESTIVAL**

The Greenfield Singers

Dec 3 **GIFT DAY**

The Hurst Green Singers

Dec 10 **NATIVITY**

Dec 17 **CANDLE LIGHT CAROL SERVICE**

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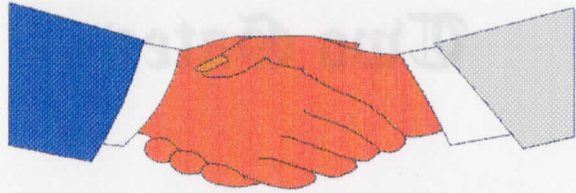
Ragged School



Newsletter

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WELCOME

We would like to open our 10th newsletter by offering you a sincere invitation to join with us in celebrating our 133rd Anniversary Services which are being held on the 4th and 11th of June.

We particularly need your presence and financial support at this time because of the recent heavy rainfall, the primary department was flooded to a depth of 3 inches. After consultations with experts we are likely to be burdened with quite an expensive outlay to remedy the situation, this will obviously delay the planned decorating of the Chapel and refurbishment of the Sunday School, so please help all you can.

The Christmas Fayre was held on Saturday 27th of November and a total of £544.79 was banked, a warm thank you to all who manned the stalls, supplied refreshments and attended the event.

Sunday 5th December the Gift Day Service was well attended and the congregation were entertained with musical

items by the Hurst Green Singers.

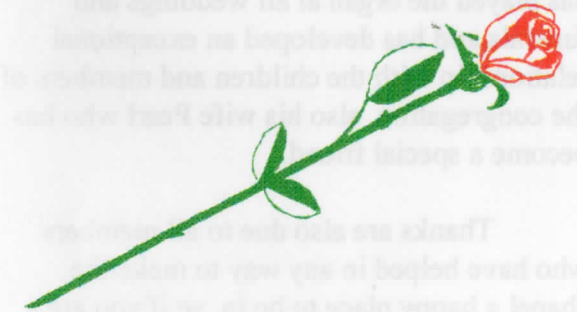


The following Sunday the children and young people of the Sunday School enacted the Nativity, following the service Hazel presented the children with their certificates from the Scripture examination on 'Prayer' which was held on the 30th of March. Charlotte Greening and Natalie Portman received book tokens for gaining top marks in their respective divisions. Sunday the 19th of December was the date of the Candlelight Carol Service music was provided by the Christmas Consort Players under the leadership of Jim Bennett, Michelle Worton sang the original German version of Silent Night and Tracy Pennells recited a traditional Christmas poem, Hazel Clifton presided over the festive services.

Barry Willetts conducted the Christmas Morning Service from 9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. The Millennium Watchnight Service was held from 11.45 p.m. To 12.15 a.m. Hazel Clifton presided and the organist was Albert Slater. Collections from the Christmas Services totalled £1,228.00.

On Saturday 15th January Caslon School was the venue for the annual Children's Party, catering was in the hands of Joanne Greening and Linda Worton, everyone had an enjoyable time.

Practice began on Tuesday 8th of February for the Scripture Examination, The theme being 'Angles on Jesus', The examination took place at the Cole Street Methodist Church, Netherton on the 31st March when 13 children represented Two Gates Ragged School. The children were trained by Hazel and Tracy.



Mothers Day service was held on Sunday April 2nd Charlotte Greening led the prayers and recited a poem relating to mothers and Michelle Worton sang a solo, following the service a pot plant was presented to each lady in the congregation.

Good Friday fellowship was held before a crucifixion display designed by Barry, Hazel presided and the refreshments were provided by Rhoda.

The funeral was held on March the 8th of Nola Willetts, Nola had a lifelong association with the chapel starting as a child in the Sunday School, she attended special services and never missed a Christmas Morning service, accompanied by her daughter Cheryl. Our