

Hello

### Reflection

If you missed the "story box" in church this week then it is worth taking a look on our YouTube channel. And for those who did see it, it is worth going and taking another look...<u>Click here.</u>

As a church, it is easy for each of us to get caught up in the details of the things "I am doing" and lose sight of the bigger picture. Our purpose, as a Church, is to proclaim the gospel in what we do and how we do it. To teach and to celebrate together. It was not so long ago that we were expressing existential concerns over the future of NBC.

If we needed a powerful reminder that God has "got this covered" then surely watching one of our Chattabox children leading her friends in understanding scripture is the most powerful message to us all about who is in control of the future.

#### What does it mean to be a Church that... Worships?

This week the passage from Isaiah 6 spoke to us of preparation and anticipation, , recognition of how big God is, our "unclean" lips and acceptance of atonement. God speaks and we respond. One of the core purposes of being a Church is Worship. So the question for each of us is "what does it mean to me?"

Our sermon series will culminate this Sunday 29th Jan. Afterwards we will come together to share what we have each learned and to consider together; what it means for us as a Church, the challenges we face and

how best to overcome them. The session will be about 1 hour long. Please plan to join us.

### Church membership ... 5th Feb 2023

Why do we have a system of formal Church Membership? What do I have to give up to be a member? What do I get to gain from being a member? How does all that work? What does the "priesthood of all believers" really mean in practice? On Sunday 22nd, in his sermon on Isaiah 6, Paul explained the difference between OT prophets and OT priests.. How does that work in the context of Newbury Baptist Church..

These are all great questions.. And they will be answered on Sunday 5th Feb. If you want answers then this is the session for you. <u>Click here and sign up to join us</u>, there will be food, and there will be some things to entertain the children (including food for them too).

### A family celebration!

On Sunday 29th we have a BIG birthday in the family. We are all invited to share the celebration with a piece of cake with our coffee after the service.... Everyone is welcome!

# Could you help?

We have been approached by a family who are looking for a home to rent. We have also been approached by a young lady looking for a room to rent. Both have church connections and are looking to find their new spiritual homes.

If you might be able to help please contact the office and Patricia will connect you with the right person.

## Pray with us

We have so much to be thankful for, as God continues to move in our Church. Please join us in our prayers this week. Click <u>here</u> to find what we are praying for this week.

If you've news to share with the Church Family please send an email to office@newburybaptistchurch.org by 9am on Wednesday. Contact Us