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Church Letter

From the Revd. Christopher Jenkin

Has the church a future?

If you visit the average rural church, and see a handful of elderly people making up the congregation, you would be forgiven to answering that provocative question with a confident "No!"

In probably not much more than a decade, most of these old folk (including the writer!) will be in the churchyard, rather than the pews. All their hard work, doing what they can to keep the show on the road; their faithful attendance at church services, or running exhibitions or coffee mornings - it will all have come to nothing.

They will have handed it all on to the next generation. Sadly, the next generation don't seem that interested in church. So will the dear old place be sold to become a museum, or a warehouse?

And yet....

That is not the whole story!

1. You can't judge the state of the world-wide Christian church by the UK church alone. In many countries, especially in Africa, South America and Asia, Christian numbers are burgeoning. In China there are 67 million Christians; by 2030 it has been estimated there will be 247 million.
2. You can't judge the whole UK church by tiny, struggling rural congregations; in many cities and suburbs there are lively, thriving, all-age churches, reaching out into their communities with imaginative and effective projects, both social care and evangelistic. And cathedral congregations are growing steadily.
3. Even in rural areas like our own, there are encouraging signs. We have experienced in recent

weeks, on days like Mothering Sunday and Easter, numbers of worshippers several times larger than those found on the average Sunday, and including all ages, not just the oldies! Such projects as "Families Together in Tebay and Orton" (see the poster on a later page) bring in an enthusiastic and mixed-age group.

4. Sunday services do not tell the whole story, either. Many people who might be cautious about claiming to be "Christians", will still show that they believe in the value of prayer - even if they would find it hard to explain it, and be reluctant to say it publicly. An example: at the Moving Mountains weekend in Ravenstonedale, when invited to fill in a slip with the name of someone who needs prayer, for the slips then to be put together into a "Prayer Chain", nearly 40 people, most of them not regular churchgoers, took part.
5. According to Google, there are 6,000 searches for "How to become a Christian" in the UK every month. And there are more than 18,000 UK monthly searches for other similar phrases including "How to know Jesus" and "Does God love me?" Apparently there are lots of people who are very open to the Christian faith! It's just that they mostly don't go to church to ask their questions.
6. Maybe traditional, formal services have had their day; but if the church can think outside the churchy box, and offer fresh and imaginative ways of approaching God, we may be surprised at how many people will find it offers them a glimpse of the spiritual life, and a way to find a faith in Jesus Christ.

NOTE - The management committee of *The Link* regret that it is unable to distribute literature for other organisations. Articles received after the 13th may be held over until the following month. Next deadline: 13th May 2018

Cover picture: Orton lambs (photo by Chris Jenkin)

SUNDAY SERVICES IN OUR CHURCHES FOR MAY 2018

Sunday 6 May <i>The sixth Sunday of Easter</i> <i>Sidesman:</i> Isaiah 55:1-11 Acts 10:44-48 <i>White</i> <i>Prayers:</i>	Orton, 9.30am Holy Communion <i>Sandra Ward</i> Mary Jenkin Elisabeth Crossley Andy Glanville Angela Milburn	Tebay, 10.30am Songs of Praise + Baptism <i>Alun Hurd</i> <i>Joint with Methodists</i>	Ravenstonedale, 10.00am All Age Worship <i>Fran Parkinson</i>
Sunday 13 May <i>The Sunday after Ascension</i> <i>Sidesman:</i> Ezekiel 36:24-28 Acts 1:15-17,21-26 <i>White</i> <i>Prayers:</i>	Orton, 8.30am Holy Communion <i>Alun Hurd</i> Chris Bland Mary Jenkin	Tebay, 10.30am Holy Communion <i>Sandra Ward</i>	Ravenstonedale, 10.00am Holy Communion <i>Diana Nicholson</i> Michael Metcalfe-Gibson Sally Metcalfe-Gibson
Sunday 20 May <i>Pentecost</i> <i>Sidesman:</i> Ezekiel 37:1-14 Acts 2.1-21 <i>Red</i> <i>Prayers:</i>	Orton, 11.00am Family Service <i>Sandra Ward</i> Andy Glanville	Tebay, 10.30am Holy Communion <i>Chris Jenkin</i>	Ravenstonedale, 10.00am Holy Communion <i>Alun Hurd</i> Hilary Law Anthony Metcalfe-Gibson
Sunday 27 May <i>Trinity Sunday</i> <i>Sidesman:</i> Isaiah 6:1-8 Romans 8:12-17 <i>White</i> <i>Prayers:</i>	Joint service at Orton, 10.30am Holy Communion <i>Alun Hurd</i> Jim Milburn Iris Wilding Martin Lawson Chris Bland		
Sunday 3 June <i>The first Sunday of Trinity</i> <i>Sidesman:</i> Genesis 6:9-22,7:24,8:14-19 Romans 1:16-17,3:22b-28 <i>Green</i> <i>Prayers:</i>	Orton, 9.30am Holy Communion <i>Ian Elliott</i> Mary Jenkin Jackie Huck Chris Bland Elizabeth Crossley	Tebay, 10.30am Songs of Praise <i>At the Methodist church</i>	Ravenstonedale, 10.00am All Age Worship <i>Fran Parkinson</i>

SUNDAY SERVICES IN OUR CHAPELS FOR MAY 2018

		6 th May	13 th May	20 th May Pentecost - Aldersgate Sunday	27 th May Trinity Sunday
Tebay	10.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.	S of P at PC U Cnxn Svce at Orton	A Burton	LA	J Law
Orton	10.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.	S Radford HC Connexion Service	B Staley R Crippen	LA J Law	US at PC A Collinson
Newbiggin-on-Lune	10.30 a.m. 6.30 p.m.	Youth Svce OA Cnxn Svce at Orton	J Betts HC	W Ousby OA	LA
Ravenstonedale	2.00 p.m. 6.30 p.m.	D Askew HC Cnxn Svce at Orton	J Betts CA J Morton CA	A Collinson	LA

Vineliflife Cumbria Fellowship: Every Sunday in Orton Market Hall, 10.30 a.m.

A VIEW FROM TEBAY

From Rosemary Campbell

I have just come back from a very enjoyable Ploughman's Lunch in aid of Friends of Tebay Church down at the Social Club. The weather is beginning to warm up at last. The church gardens are now colourful with the daffodils.

It was good to bump into a grandmother whose daughter had just moved into Tebay. A family have also come into a house opposite me recently. So we give a warm welcome to these new members of our community here in Tebay. It's a very handy place to be on the M6 and be able to get to places easily. When I decided to come there was also a good bus service too but sadly no longer.

After a wet mishap in the Hub last week, it was good to be able to dry off in the sun whilst having a go at pulling up all the dead stuff in the church garden. I was waiting for our churchwarden and her husband to get back from Carlisle to give me a hand. I had been a bit over-enthusiastic tightening the tap on the small water heater owing to it dripping. Imagine my shock when the mechanism totally came off in my hand and the most powerful force of water hit me, worse than a waterfall! I couldn't even block it up with a wet towel because of the force of the water. To get out I had to get through it. I immediately began to look for the stopcock – I flew everywhere to try and find it but I had no luck. The water flooded into the kitchen and then the lounge. I moved pretty smartly to shift a keyboard up out of danger and loads of heavy boxes full of music. I ran over to the club to see if Penny could help me, and she came and couldn't find it either, but she managed to find someone who knew how to turn the water off by a tap under the ground outside the church – phew – that was a relief! It turned out there was a stopcock in a small cupboard high up on the wall in the hallway. I have had a busy time making labels to stick on, pointing out where to find the stopcocks quickly in an

emergency. I wouldn't like anyone else to be in such a panic as I was, unable stop the advancing flood.

There are some lessons to learn from this. We panic in life if we are in a situation we cannot control. We all need guidance of some kind. Those of us who are Christians believe that the Bible can guide us in life. There is a lovely verse in Proverbs: "In all thy ways acknowledge him and He shall direct thy paths".

Another picture was Penny being a "good neighbour" to me in helping me in my dilemma. Then the local chap who located the tap in the grid. And later Linda and David coming with a marvellous machine to suck up the water and spend hours helping with the problem I had precipitated. So we are thankful for written guidance, and for friends and neighbours to help us on our way in life. Let's trust that we too can be good neighbours to those around us when they need our help.

THE HUB



Tebay Community Library and Drop In in the Hub, St. James' Church

Every Monday morning,
10.00am - 12.00 noon

Refreshments —
Books to borrow and buy.
All ages welcome

'Twinkles'

**Tuesdays 9.30—11.30 a.m. at
Tebay Methodist Hall**

**All welcome with or without
children**

Voluntary run playgroup—
Activities changed on a weekly basis
including painting, playdough,
drawing, cutting, dressing up, slides,
bikes, music, reading.

For more information contact
Vicki Capstick - 07846 288685

J'Uction Prayer Meeting

**Tuesday 1st May
In the Hub at St James'
7.30 pm**

**We will also meet every Tuesday
in June
Please join us!**



Tebay Methodist Church

DROP IN 2 TILL 4

Every Tuesday
Games, crafts & refreshments
For information ring Dennis
015396 24445

Coffee Morning

in aid of



**British Heart
Foundation**

**Saturday 26th May
Tebay Methodist Chapel
10am - 12:30pm.**

Bric 'a' Brac
Games
Cake stall
Raffle
Tombola

Admission - £4

As part of my fundraising I am
taking part in a Wing Walk on
12th May.

For any sponsors please contact
Louise on 07493 463570

Tebay Primary School



The whole school visited St James' Church, Tebay, to enjoy 'Experience Easter'. Thank you to Ronnie and Ian Elliott and everyone else from the Church for a very enjoyable afternoon.

Class 3 were invited by the Woodland Trust and the Lune River Trust to go to Ewelock Bank, Greenholme, to plant some trees. The project is to create improved habitat for wildlife and help with slowing the flow of water down to help ease flooding problems further down the river.



Sport:

The whole school has enjoyed Badminton training with Ben Davidson from Eden Valley Sports Partnership, thank you Ben and EVSP. We are looking forward to Football training after the Easter holidays.

Cumbria Education Trust arranged a TAG rugby tournament for all the schools within the Trust, which was held at Frenchfields in Penrith. Year 1 and 2 represented the school at the Key Steps Gymnastics final at Penrith Leisure Centre.....
Well done Team Tebay for getting to the finals!

Class 1 and 2 have been busy learning about 'farming in the past'; they visited the Dales Countryside Museum in Hawes and the Wensleydale Creamery to see how cheese was made.

They also visited Abbott Lodge Jersey Ice-Cream Farm to see how ice cream is made. At the end of the trip they tasted the delicious ice cream.
Huge thank you to all our parent helpers who accompanied children and staff on these trips.

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TRANSPORT THROUGH THE AGES



2pm—4pm

6th and 7th May

**ST JAMES' ANNUAL EXHIBITION
AND GIFT DAY**



Traction engine



Cake stall



Cream teas



RAIL, ROAD, SEA AND AIR

at St James' Church, Tebay



**Orton & Tebay
Local History
Society**

**Thursday 17th May
"My National Service"
with John Falshaw**

**Thursday 21st June
"Place Names"
with Jean Scott-Smith**

Tebay Methodist Church at 7.30 p.m.

Visitors always welcome - £3.00

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

in our Parishes



**Christian Aid week this year will be
13th to 19th May.**

If you live in Ravenstonedale or Tebay you should receive a **Christian Aid** envelope in your **Link**. (Orton residents received theirs in the April Link.) If you are happy to support this good cause then please bring your donations to the **COFFEE MORNING** (see below) or give them to any PCC member or **Olive Bland** or **Chris Bland**, 015396 24258.

COFFEE MORNING

**Saturday 19th May,
10am to 12 noon**

Chestnut Garth, East Road, Orton

Bric a Brac & Book Stall

Admission Free

Tebay Senior Citizens Lunch & Trip Tuesday 15th May

Lunch will be served in Tebay Methodist Hall at 12 noon. Coach leaves at 1:30pm for the trip.

Men and Women aged 60 plus who live in Tebay Parish are invited to share this occasion.

Anyone wishing to attend the lunch and/trip is asked to contact

Ann Walker - tel: 24371

or

Pam at The Post Office - tel: 24967

before Friday 4th May

stating name /number of persons attending lunch and /trip, any dietary requirements.

Please also let us know if you require transport to and from the chapel.

We look forward to as many of you as possible sharing this occasion with us.

Please note:

Invites will not be delivered by hand this year.

FAMILIES TOGETHER

IN Tebay & Orton

Join us with your family and friends



Tebay Social Club and Church Hub

Sunday 13th May, 4-6.15 p.m.

Food and drink provided; bring snack treats for pudding

Theme: Stranger on the Shore

Food, fun, drama, music & reflection for all ages
(including activities for pre-school children!)

Organised by members of local Anglican and Methodist churches

For more info please contact Olive Bland on 015396 24258

The Filling Station

For high quality speakers, sung worship, prayer ministry, and personal testimonies.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 17th May.

Speaker: Rev. Stewart Fyfe

7.30 pm for 7.50 pm

Everyone welcome for lively Christian worship and fellowship, in the Appleby Hub (Centre 67), Chapel Street, Appleby.
<http://www.thefillingstation.org.uk>



Barry Hawthorne

Ministries

Igniting the fires of Faith for Revival!

New season of meetings
with Barry and Karen Hawthorne

FAITH - HEALING - HOLY SPIRIT

Thursday 3rd May at 7pm

Appleby Hub (Centre 67), Chapel Street, Appleby
Praise and worship led by Karen followed by ministry of the word of God.

<http://www.barryhawthorneministries>
info@barryhawthorneministries.com



TWAM
Tools with a Mission

Tools wanted

We collect donated tools, refurbish and sort them into trade kits and send them across the world for **livelihood creation**

We send on average two containers a month to Africa, each packed with tools destined for up to 40 applicants.

What can we use?

- **Builders' tools** - chisels, pliers, hacksaws, spirit level, vices
- **Carpenters' tools** - saws, planes, hammers, screwdrivers, hand drills, clamps
- **Electricians' tools** - files, screwdrivers, spanners, soldering irons, voltmeter, lamp
- **Gardeners' tools** - spade, fork, rake, hoe, sickle, secateurs, axe (*not lawn rakes or mowers*)
- **Ground workers' tools** - pickaxe, fork, sledge hammer, crowbar, shovel
- **Leatherworkers' tools** - bradawl, clamps, cutters, punches, knives
- **Motor mechanics' tools** - grips, metric and adjustable spanners, wrench, drill, socket set
- **Plumbers' tools** - hammers, pipe cutter, blowlamp, grips, files
- **Garage Workshop** - hydraulic jack, screw trolley, battery charger, car ramp, winch
- **Power tools** - hand and bench drill, sander, planer, jigsaw, circular, band and chop saw, lathe
- **Sewing machines** - manual, electric and treadle
- **Knitting machines** - machine wool and needles
- **Fully working IT equipment** - desktop computers, laptops - both running a minimum of Windows XP, tablets.

We can't use: • Disability aids and wheelchairs • Clothes and shoes • Furniture • Bicycles • Books • Pots and pans • Musical instruments

We can't use broken tools: we can sharpen and remove surface rust but can't repair broken tools.

It's not about what we want - it's about what people can use, to help them with their livelihood.

Please bring any items you think could be useful to someone in Africa...

to

**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH,
ORTON**

**on Saturday 16th June,
between 2.0 and 5.0 p.m.**

Any enquiries to Christopher
or Mary Jenkin
(015396 24410 -
chriscjenkin@aol.com)



Orton

Orton Farmers' Market

The next two Farmers' Market Coffee Mornings will be on

Saturday 12th May
and
Saturday 9th June

Join us for refreshments and a chat in a friendly atmosphere.

At the March meeting we raised **£488.48.** to help us continue God's work at All Saints.
(There was no Coffee Morning in April.)

Many thanks for your continued support.

Orton Surgery

Orton Surgery is normally open every week from 9.15 to 10.30am on Tuesdays and from 4.00 to 5.45pm on Thursdays. There will be no Orton surgery on Tuesdays 8th and 29th May – prescriptions will be available for collection between 10.00 and 10.30am

Shap Practice: 01931 716230
Out of hours: 03000 247 247



ORTON DROP IN

**EVERY WEDNESDAY
10.30 – 12.00**

AT CHAPEL SCHOOLROOM

EVERYONE WELCOME

**HOMEMADE
CAKES
AND FRESH
COFFEE**



ORTON MANOR COURT

**Abridged Minutes of the Committee
Meeting held on 26th March 2018**

- 1. PRESENT:** 6 committee members and one visitor. There were three apologies.
- 2. Minutes:** The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on Monday 24th April 2017, had been circulated, and were agreed and signed.
- 3. Matters Arising from the Minutes:** The new wooden footbridge supplied by YDNP had been installed near Reveleys.
- 4. Wildlife Survey of Meldykes:** Christa Nelson, Grassland Conservation Officer for the Cumbria Wildlife Trust, had written a report about the land at Meldykes, which is very interesting with several different habitats - 100 species of plant had been identified there, listed in her report. Mixed grazing is best there and stocking rates were suggested. This land probably qualifies to be designated a County Wildlife Site. It was **agreed** to seek County Wildlife Site designation, and Christa agreed to arrange the necessary survey. **Future Letting:** as this land needs long term management, a ten-year lease, with possible 5-year break clause, should be used in future.
- 5. Treasurer's Report,** presented by the Steward. Current account: £5,580.29; Savings account: £8,722.97. The Single Farm Payment of £1,270.31, and all rents, had been received. The insurance premium was about to be paid.
- 6. Letter from Orton School:** A letter had been received from the Head-teacher, asking OMC to consider making a grant towards the cost of the school's 2018 Residential trips. It was **agreed** to donate £750.
- 7. Any Other Business:**
 - Hard Standing for vehicles in Knott Lane: this would be discussed with the tenant and with the YDNP. A sign to the Gamelands Stone Circle should be added to the signpost at the road junction.
 - Bids for grazing: the Committee would be consulted.
- 8. Annual General Meeting:** 3rd September 2018.

Morning Prayer on Tuesdays at 9.30 a.m.

A short, said service, with time to pray; anyone is welcome to join us.

May 1st: St. Oswald's, Ravenstonedale, with Sandra Ward
8th: St. Michael's, Shap, with Elaine Allison
15th: St. James', Tebay, with Chris Jenkin
22nd: St. Patrick's, Bampton, with Diana Nicholson
29th: All Saints', Orton, with Ian Elliott

Licensing of Rev. Sandra Ward

Please come and celebrate with the Revd. Sandra Ward as she is Licensed as Associate Priest to the High Westmorland Parishes on Tuesday 1st May at 7.30pm at All Saints' Church, Orton, by the Archdeacon of Carlisle, the Ven. Lee Townend. Refreshments will follow.

Ascension Day, Thursday 10th June

Deanery Eucharist at 7.30 p.m. at St. Oswald's Church, Ravenstonedale. Preacher: Archdeacon Lee Townend

Parish Registers

Funerals

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Jeffrey Metcalfe (87), of 6 Frankland Park, Orton, who died 24th March 2018, was held in All Saints' Church, Orton, on Tuesday 3rd April 2018, followed by burial in the churchyard.

John Wilson (94) of Park Farm, Orton, was buried in All Saints' Churchyard on 10th April 2018, after a short ceremony.

The funeral of David Anthony Foote Knapman (64) took place at Beetham Hall Crematorium on 17th April 2018.

Wedding

On Saturday 14th April, 2018, the wedding of Karl Liam Bowman and Jennifer Rose Pearson took place at All Saints' Church, Orton.

News from rton School

Lots to celebrate

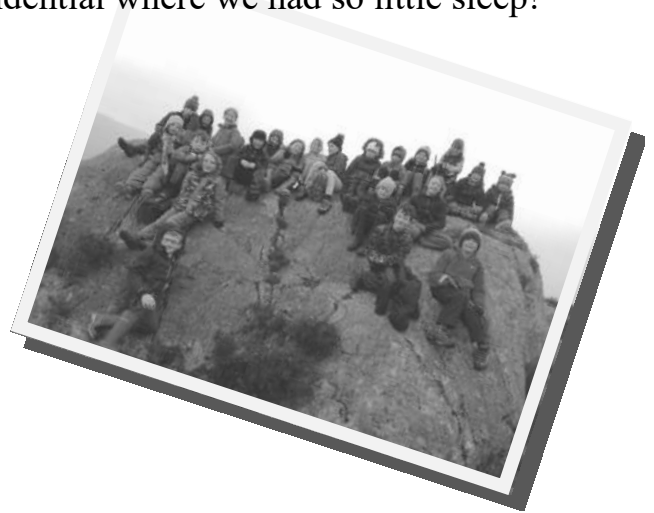
The last couple of weeks have been really busy in school
with lots of exciting things happening.

Please keep checking the website especially in the latest news section for photographs
and reports.

www.ortoncofeprimary.co.uk/

All three of our Key Steps gymnastics teams qualified for the Eden final at Penrith.
The final was held last week and yet again our teams performed brilliantly.
Key Steps 1 were 3rd, Keys Steps 2 were 4th and Key Steps 3 were 3rd.
Well done to all our gymnasts.

Class 3 had a fantastic Residential to Borrowdale.
Thank you to everyone who helped out especially our Governors Mrs Seed, Mrs Arkle
and Mr Petty who helped out during the stay.
Huge thanks go to the staff, Mrs Simpson, Miss Potter and Mrs Green, who looked after
the children so well despite being extremely sleep deprived themselves.
A quote from one member of staff on their return,
“I don’t think we have ever had a Residential where we had so little sleep!”



The final event of this week has been the Swimming Gala. Again thank you to everyone
who has helped with swimming and the gala over the last term, we really appreciate what
you do to help everything run so smoothly. All the children swam brilliantly and cheered
each other on. The winning team this year were YELLOW.

Where are they now?

We are in need of some more information about ANY of our ex-pupils
(including parents, grandparents etc.) for our lovely ‘Where Are They Now?’ display.
If you know of any ex-pupils who are now over 18 or if YOU are one yourself
please could you send us a little bit of information about what you do now
and if possible a photograph.

We would love to have lots of ex-pupils both near and far to show our current children
and provide them with ideas for their own futures.

Gone Cuckoo

The compelling tale of a bird's journey

highlights
rural touring scheme

Gone Cuckoo is a father and son collaboration of storyteller, Malcolm Green and musician, Joshua Green. Together they follow the trail of the cuckoo to explore the world of this extraordinary creature through stories and songs, music and myths - and a touch of shape shifting. The show will be flying into Orton Market Hall on Saturday 12 May to carry audiences along with them on this journey.

It's just before sunrise at RAF Fylingdales on the North York Moors and a male cuckoo is having a tiny 4.5g radio transmitter strapped to his back. A few weeks later he will have flown thousands of miles south and five kilometres high over the Sahara Desert, sending signals back to England as he travels through Libya and Chad to the Congo.

With fact stranger than fiction, the show takes a cuckoo's eye view of that story as one of a billion birds that breathe the earth into life as they travel from Europe to Africa and back again.

For thousands of years the cuckoo has been part of folklore and its song has inspired songs, stories and poems. Now its song diminishes and this secret messenger is teetering on the edge. Does the cuckoo have something to tell us about our moment in history? Or even about our place in the world?

Gone Cuckoo has received support from the **British Trust for Ornithology** as part of a Cuckoo tracking project. It is touring to Orton Market Hall as part of the Highlights Rural Touring Scheme.

'An accomplished, engaging and beautifully constructed tour de force – with a message.' Dave Pritchard, UK Arts and Environment Network

"Storytelling and acoustic music have always been popular with Highlights audiences," says volunteer promoter, Sally Seed, "so this combination and the conservation theme should make *Gone Cuckoo* a fascinating as well as an enjoyable evening."



Date/ Time: Saturday 12th May from 7.30pm
Venue: Orton Market Hall
Tickets: Adult £9, U16 £5 and Family ticket £20.
Bookings: Tickets available on 01539 624732 or from Orton Village Store or online at www.highlightsnorth.co.uk

Altar Flowers in All Saints' Church, Orton

If you would like to place flowers on the Altar please add your name to the list. It can be found next to the door just inside the Baptistry.

If you have never done this before, or feel unsure about what to do, please contact
Angela Milburn
on 015396 24382.



Dementia Open Afternoon

Working with people with Dementia, Learning Fields provides a safe and nurturing environment, with the assistance of trained staff.

People with Dementia, their families, carers or people who work with them are all invited to drop into Learning Fields CIC Open Afternoon on

Thursday 24th May, from 1 to 4 pm.

Come and see the supported activities available at Nag's Head Farm, Hoff. For more details contact
Alex Chalmers on 017683 53860 or
alex@learningfields.co.uk

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Biblical Names – An occasional series by Christopher Jenkin

Names go in fashions, and in recent years parents have started to call their children by names which are found in the Bible – though they are not always aware of that, nor of who the Bible character was.

Daniel: The meaning of the name is “God is judge”. The famous Daniel lived some 500 years before Christ, at the time when Jerusalem had fallen and the entire nation of Israel had been taken into captivity in Babylon. Nebuchadnezzar, King of Babylon, required some handsome and gifted young men of the captive Hebrews to be his personal attendants, and Daniel was one of those chosen for intensive education in Babylonian culture. He first came to the personal attention of the King when the King had a disturbing dream, and Daniel – like Joseph, a thousand years earlier – was enabled by God to interpret it for him, and Daniel was raised to high office. Daniel was most notable for a firm refusal to compromise his obedience to the God of Israel, and the best known of all the stories about him was of his being thrown into a den of lions by Nebuchadnezzar’s successor, Darius, because of just this resolute faith, for which he was prepared to die if necessary. “Dare to be a Daniel!” says a children’s chorus. “Dare to stand alone! Dare to have a purpose true, and dare to make it known!”

David: The name means “Beloved”. David was the greatest of all the kings of Israel, living about 1000 BC. His story is told particularly in the 1st and 2nd Books of Samuel. Chosen as a teenager to succeed the unsatisfactory King Saul, he first came to prominence during the constant wars between Israel and the Philistines, when single-handedly he slew the mighty Philistine warrior Goliath; David insisted that it was God who would enable him to do this, just as God had helped him to kill wild beasts who were attacking his father’s sheep. This success, however, made him a target for fierce jealousy from King Saul, and for years David had to live in exile. This period of bitter trouble, however, developed another of his remarkable gifts, of composing many psalms, songs of faith and worship sung with a harp (the word “psalm” means “plucked”). David had his faults, like all of us; a famous fall from grace involved adultery and murder, which in turn led to a heart-rending psalm of repentance: “Have mercy upon me, O God, according to your unfailing love!” (Ps. 51) Many of David’s psalms still form a central part of Christian worship worldwide – the well-known hymn, “Praise, my soul, the King of heaven” is based on David’s Psalm 103.

A Prayer for our Village

Thank you Lord, for our Chapels and Church, and our fellowship with one another. We thank you for Jesus’ love that binds us together.

As we look out into our village, give us your grace and love for all we meet and have dealings with. May your power and authority give us courage to share Jesus. May you, Jesus, shine through. May your spirit stir the hearts and minds of people to be responsive to your Word. **Amen.**



Christian Enquiry Course

This is open to anyone who

- has been inspired by the Moving Mountains Mission,
- who would like to know more about the Christian faith,
- or who is considering adult confirmation

Please contact: Rev Katharine Butterfield
Tel: 01931 712052 or kmbutterfield@btinternet.com
The course is due to start early in May.



Peter’s Story

I was born in May 1948, so I have a few years on the clock now, and was raised in North Carlisle. Mother was a dinner lady, and my father was a well-known man with his racing pigeons.

I was always a happy and mischievous kid - always looking for things - and one day in the bottom of my parents' wardrobe I found a tin box, and inside it my adoption papers. There was my name, and alongside it the names of my birth parents. I was numb reading this, and a couple of days later I approached my Mum, who wouldn't speak to me about it. So at that stage I buried all this in the back of my mind.

When I was about 35 I asked Mother again, who told me about it, but made me promise I wouldn't tell anyone else until after she died. I felt on my own. I had no family: did anyone love me? Did anyone care?

I grew up, knowing in my heart that somewhere in this world was a loving Father and loving Brother – our Saviour – because that’s how I had been taught to talk about God. But I still parked it and didn’t do anything about it.

Later on in my life, the penny started to drop – a gradual period of understanding that I have a Father in heaven, and that Jesus my brother died to save me – through him I have a life to look forward to, not just a family life here on this planet, but a real future

So at my great age, I've come alive again! I love the family greeting we enjoy at church; you wouldn't get that at M&S or the GPs on a Sunday or Monday. It's a proper family -- the best ever.

Peter, 69, Carlisle

A Report

from the Revd. Canon Julius Kithaghenda,
Vicar of All Saints' Church, Kasese, Uganda,
was received on 13th April 2018, and was presented
to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting
of All Saints' Church, Orton,
on 15th April 2018.

Greetings from All Saints' Church. We had very good Easter celebrations and we have a lot of rains in our region. *(This is of course seen as a great blessing in that part of the world!)*

- We received a new church lay reader, Immaculate, who is helping us in pastoral outreach.
- We are completing flooring of the upper part of the church with the offices this month.
- We have strengthened the Mothers' and Pregnant Women's Fellowship which meets every Saturday.
- We have planned a Parish Council meeting on 29th April to discuss how to raise funds to enable us purchase a house for accommodation of staff, and a space for Sunday School children's class. Two of the neighbours of the church are willing to sell. We request for your prayers because each of the houses costs about 200,000,000 Uganda Shillings (= about £39,215). We want the Council to plan several activities to raise funds, and to begin fundraising in June and have a climax in October.
- Staff accommodation is a big challenge on our expenditure which compels us to plan to have our own church houses to accommodate our three staff members (the Vicar, assistant Vicar, Lay Reader). We are hopeful that God will enable us to raise the required funds.
- We request for your prayers.
- Convey our Christian love and greetings to the Vicar and all the Christians in Orton!

Yours in Christ,
Rev. Canon Julius
Kithaghenda



Orton Churchyard Conservation Project

Grave headstones

A number of damaged headstones in the churchyard have been repaired, some by volunteers and some professionally. Other headstones which had fallen, or which were unstable, have been secured.

Interpretation Board

An interpretation board, with information about what has been achieved and artwork illustrating wildlife found in the churchyard, is being prepared, and a draft copy has been received.



A number of minor alterations are being made, and we still await the necessary permissions.

We hope that the Board will be erected before too long.

Mary Jenkin, Becksides, Orton.

Tel: 015396 24410

marypienkin@aol.com

Orton with Tebay Annual Parochial Church Meeting 15th April 2018

Election of Churchwardens:

Orton: David Aspden, Angela Milburn,

Tebay: Linda Garrick, Martin Lawson

Appleby Deanery Synod Members:

Angela Milburn

Rosemary Campbell

Numbers on combined Electoral Roll: 60

Election of members to Parochial Church Council:

Meryl Aspden

Chris Bland

Ronnie Elliott

Andy Glanville

Anne Iniff

Mary Jenkin

Bill Lawler (*Treasurer*)

Next meeting of PCC: Wednesday 2nd May.

**ORTON CHURCH EXHIBITION &
Village SCARECROW FESTIVAL.**

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**Saturday 26th May
to Sunday 3rd June**

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All other days 10am to 5pm.

EXHIBITION SERVICE, Sunday 27th May 10.30am.

**There will be two classes for the Scarecrow Competition,
senior and children of primary school age.**

**It is open to residents of Orton parish
and children attending Orton School.**

**After last year's very successful event it would be great to have
EVEN MORE Scarecrows around the village, *please join in the fun.***

Entry forms available from the village shop or Brenda Iveson (24617)

Scarecrow entries to be returned to the shop by

THURSDAY 17th May.

Remember, it will all be as good as we make it!!!!

**For more information please ring
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Ravenstonedale

Forthcoming events

Summer 2018

Thursday, 10th May

Deanery Ascension Day service
7.30pm St Oswald's Church,
Ravenstonedale

Monday, 14th May

PCC Meeting
St Oswald's Church 7.30pm

Wednesday, 16th May

Ravenstonedale Parish History Group
Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, May 16th at 7.30pm

Followed by a short presentation

'Ravenstonedale - Then and Now'

Wednesday, 27th June

Ravenstonedale Parish History Group
7.00pm- A walk around Ravenstonedale
with former Conservation Officer with
the Lake District National Park Authority
& 'village detective'-*Andy Lowe*

Wednesday, 11th July

A walk round Orton village
7pm Market Square

Saturday, 14th July

Parish Tea party, Studfold (*more details later*)

The Parish remembers 1914-18

We are in the early stages of planning an evening of remembrance to be held in St Oswald's Church, Ravenstonedale, on Friday 9th November; please save the date in your diary!

We would love to hear any local family stories from this period, not just about those who served in the forces, but also how the war affected everyday life. If you have any information that you can share please contact Diana Fothergill 015396 23288 or leave a message on www.ravenstonedalehistory.org.uk

Thanks very much .

Diana

Curry and Quiz Night

Newbiggin-on-Lune Public Hall

Saturday 12th May at 7.00pm

Prize Quiz – Raffle- Pay Bar

Tickets Adults £12.50 Children £6.00

Booking essential

Phone Ian Clayton 015396 23226
or Jim Wardrope 015396 23288

Notes from the Herald, May 1918

Hot by Whit week; Whit Wednesday, 23rd May, 82F and thunder. Cuckoo heard on 27th April in Lowther Park. Ration books replace cards on 14th July. Apply for yours now. Jam makers will get six pounds of sugar says Government now, not ten pounds. The Government can now take your horse or car for War work or stop you selling it.

Orton's William Pallister, driver in R.F.A., died of wounds in France on 28th March. He was the younger son of Mr. And Mrs. T.W. Pallister, Old Hall, Orton (Report 4th May). Died on Sunday 5th, Mr. Martin Hodgson, Steps Farm, Orton, farmer and cattle-dealer. He leaves widow and eight children; funeral Wednesday, 8th.

One hundred and fifty years ago Died at The Street, Orton, 2nd May, 1868, Anthony Wilson, 79.

Tebay's ex Vicar, the Rev. J. Whitmore was instituted to St. Mary's, Carlisle on Sunday, 5th. The Tebay Branch of the C of E Men's Society sent him £10 (now £800) as a gift soon after.

Westmorland Education Committee met at Tebay on Friday, 17th. It wants a better NER train service for the 36 boys from Kirkby Stephen area who go to Appleby Grammar School, who at present get home at 8.30pm or after.

E. Westmorland War Tribunal gave Bretherdale's roadman ("a wild district near Tebay") Edmund Dixon, 33, six months' exemption from call up. Mr. J.W. Robinson, Roundthwaite, farmer got conditional exemption to 15th June for Mr. H, his son and helper, as "vital".

Ravenstonedale's Mr. T. Brunskill joiner's apprentice, Private Edward Brennan, son of Mr. John Brennan, Old Tebay, died of wounds in France (reported on 11th).

Joke: Society hostess to guest: Why Anne you have lost your double chin. How?

Anne: Food-rationing!

Thanks to Jeremy Godwin for the Notes.

Ravenstonedale Methodist Church ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

SATURDAY 12th MAY at 7.30pm

COUSINS IN COMMON

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SUNDAY 13th MAY

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Men's Meeting

Visit to Weasdale Nurseries, rescheduled from last
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Meet at Newbiggin chapel for 7:20pm

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Caretaker : Anne Brownrigg Tel: 015396 23594

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LUNE LADIES SUMMER PROGRAMME

2nd May - Visit to the Antique Centre, Brampton.
Depart from the Village Hall 9.30am.

6th June - "Brief Encounter with Leighton Hall"
Depart Village Hall 9.30am...This is an organised
Visit; pre-booked with lunch £16.00. Names to
Carole as soon as possible (015396 23226)

4th July - We have been invited to Lis
Bowman's home in Hartley for a Bring and Share
Supper - Evening visit 5-6pm.

Indoor Bowls evenings

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a friendly group and there is quite a lot of chatter!

Please let Sally Cannon know

if you are able to come

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as the meal is prepared specially for us.

We should be very pleased to see you!

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Kirkby Stephen	10.20	16.06
Kirkby Stephen West Station	10.30/10.35	15.53/16.00
Ravenstonedale School	10.43	15.44 Garshill
Newbiggin on Lune village hall	10.48	15.40 on A685
Junction 38, Tebay	11.00/11.15	
Mount Pleasant bus stop, Tebay	11.18	15.26
Barnaby Rudge bus stop, Tebay	11.20	15.27
Kendal Morrisons bus stop	11.45	15.00
Stricklandgate	11.51	
Blackhall Road	11.55	14.55
Morrisons layover 1.30 hours depart	13.15	
Blackhall Road layover 1.45 hours		

THURSDAY ROUTE 570: Shap to Kendal

	OUTWARD	RETURN
Ravenstonedale School	10.10	16.35
Shap	10.45	15.57
Orton	11.10	15.37
Mount Pleasant bus stop, Tebay	11.18	15.26
Barnaby Rudge bus stop, Tebay	11.20	15.27
Kendal Morrisons bus stop	11.45	15.00
Stricklandgate	11.51	
Blackhall Road	11.55	14.55
Morrisons layover 1.30 hours depart	13.15	
Blackhall Road layover 1.45 hours		

TUESDAY ROUTE 569:

Ravenstonedale to Hawes

Easter to end of October	Outward	Return
Departs Bus Depot	10.10	16.30
Ravenstonedale School	10.23	16.25
Kirkby Stephen Station	10.40	16.15
Kirkby Stephen Square	10.50	16.10
Arrives Hawes	11.50	15.10

WEDNESDAY ROUTE 572:

Kirkby Stephen to Barnard Castle

	Summer	Winter
Departs Bus Depot	10.10	10.10
Ravenstonedale School	10.23	10.23
Kirkby Stephen Station	10.35	10.35
Kirkby Stephen Square	10.45	10.45
Brough Clock	11.03	11.03
Middleton in Teesdale	11.45	
Barnard Castle	12.25	11.40
Barnard Castle	15.30	14.30
Brough Clock	16.05	15.05
Kirkby Stephen Square	16.15	15.15
Kirkby Stephen Station	16.22	15.22
Ravenstonedale School	16.30	15.30
Depot	16.40	15.40

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