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Ashby Alliance Evangelical Church by Lisa Baraniak

Things have been exciting recently. At the end of October our new youth group 'Ignite' ran our annual 'Light Party' as an alternative to Halloween. We had a Super-hero theme with lots of people entering into the spirit and dressing up. A short gospel message was presented besides the usual food, games, quizzes and lots of prizes.

At the start of November four of our church family were baptised. This was so encouraging to the whole church and a brilliant witness to their families and friends. That same day we held our Bonfire evening which was a great success with (again) lots of food, fireworks and fun.



Prayer Points

- Give thanks for the superhero party and recent baptisms
- Pray for the impact of 'Ignite' on young people and the upcoming Nativity and Carol Service
- Pray for growth in numbers in the church and for all believers to grow deeper in their faith

Blakelaw Community Church by Mark Sharman

Praise God for a good harvest event with many non-church families attending including a lady from Bangladesh who asked about our Christmas events. Praise God for increased numbers at the service held in sheltered accommodation. This outreach is becoming popular with other local people who respond to a strong gospel emphasis. We are encouraged in our Open Air work through the presence of some younger men who are coming to learn the ropes. Continue to pray



Prayer Points

- Continuing good contact with local people as we approach Christmas
- Conversions through our services in sheltered accommodation
- Raising-up of new evangelists for open-air ministries

for more committed families and for God to open up local schools for the gospel.

Garden City Alliance Church by Dave Turpin

Like Ashby Church we too baptised four people. This service at the end of October was a great encouragement not only to the 'four' in publicly acknowledging Christ as saviour and lord but for the whole congregation. New people continue to visit the church but it was with sadness we said goodbye to three adults and three children who have moved from the town.

Our restructuring of the Home Groups has gone well and we now have new leadership of our worship group. We are grateful for Mark Allen's ministry as he teaches at the Tuesday Home Group and preaches monthly.

As Christmas approaches we are organising a number of special events. We will join with two churches in St Albans for a Men's Outreach event on 20th December; hold a Christmas eve Carol Service; and a Boxing Day meal.

Prayer Points

- For those baptised to grow in their faith, for more visitors and for our leavers to settle in new churches
- For Mark Allen's preaching & teaching ministry and God to work through the Home Group ministry
- For events planned over Christmas: the men's outreach, carol service and church meal