



The Key

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This Edition covers the period from 23rd July – 13th August

Welcome to the Eden Church. If this is your first visit with us we pray that you have an enjoyable time. Please stay for coffee or tea after the service when we look forward to meeting with you.

Why bother praying when God doesn't answer them?

This is a question that played on my mind and I had a conversation with God which went something like this!

Me: Should I bother praying when there are no results?

God: Who says there are no results? You do not see what is hidden. You do not see the things I am doing internally?

Me: I would love to see that. That would greatly encourage my prayers.

God: But then you would have no need for faith. Faith is believing in what you can't see. If I asked you to pray, just because I was asking, not guaranteeing any results would you continue to pray.

Me: Yes Lord, I would, because you are asking me to.

God: Good, it is in my word to pray and keep on praying.

Me: Then I will carry on praying – but I will believe that you hear and answer my prayers EVEN though I do not see it. Denine.

Today

All Age Service – Mel

When the service has finished, please help stack the chairs from Hall 1 at the front of the church.

This Week

Saturday 29th July

07:30 Prayer meeting at the church.

Next Sunday 30th July

Morning Service – Mary

Super Summer Sundays start. See notice on page 3

Next Week

Saturday 5th August

07:30 Prayer meeting at the church.

Sunday 6th August
Morning Service – Mel

The following Week

Friday 11th August

Princess & Superhero Party. 2 – 4pm. Get your Hero Capes & Tiaras ready. Action packed fun for ages 3 – 10. Acrobatics & Drama workshop, crafts cakes stories Face Painting. Babies & toddlers welcome. Children must be accompanied at all times. Tickets £3.

N.B. Mel & Myriam need your spare cardboard boxes for the Princess & Superhero party. Collecting every Sunday until the 6th August. Thank you!!

Friday 11th August

Bridges Band Night presents the Victorious River Band at Bridges 7:30 – 10:30pm. Join the band for an acoustic evening of old favourites. Tickets £10 (available at Bridges) which includes a cheeseboard. You may bring your own wine / drinks. Tea/coffee & cake also available by donation.

Saturday 12th August

07:30 Prayer meeting at the church.

Sunday 13th August
Morning Service – Mel

House Groups.

N.B. Please speak to House Group leaders to establish when / if groups are meeting during August.

David Adamson & Emma Jonas hold a weekly Bible Study on **Thursday 10:45am**. Please speak to them regarding current venue.

Bible Basics Group meeting on Wednesday at Ron & Dorothy's.

Inter-Church Fellowship bible study group meets at Ron & Dorothy's House on **alternate Tuesdays from 10:00 - 11.45** A crèche can be arranged if needed.

Next meeting ??????. More info ring 862121

Please speak to one of the Leadership Team If you would like prayer or wish to discuss any matters.

Melanie Commandeur (Minister) (01732 667438). Day off Friday.

Ron Sutton (Elder) (862121); Julie Barry (Elder) (07799 130557); Patrick Moore (Elder) (864275); Richard Wheeler (Elder)(01342 850873) : Carole Jenkins(Elder)(863564) : Martin Perrett (Secretary) (863797): Heddwyn Jenkins (Treasurer) (863564):

Dates for your Diary.

Super Summer Sundays

Last summer we had a fantastic time with our children and youths during the Super Summer Sundays series. This year again, we are giving our fabulous leaders the summer off so there will be no individual groups. From the 30th July to the 3rd September, we have a special treat in store Eden Kids and Eden Youth will be teaming up again each Sunday morning for an hour of fun, games and perhaps the odd chocolate or two. All are welcome to join us but anyone under reception age will need a designated adult. There will be toys at the back of the church for babies and toddlers.

We can't wait for the Summer to start! :

Lizzie & Myriam

CAMEO (COME AND MEET EACH OTHER)! !

What is CAMEO? I hear you ask. CAMEO has come about following the wish of some members of the former Thursday Fellowship to get together once a week to simply 'come and meet each other'. We've decided to give it go and are putting together a few ideas starting in September and going through to December. The meetings will be a mixture of speakers, open afternoons and social events so, to get this off to a good (and probably hilarious) start, we have asked Gary and Barbara Bradford, always great favourites, to launch us into the unknown! If you'd like to find out more please speak to Carole 863564 or Gary 863098. ! !

First meeting - Thursday 7th September, 2.30pm at the Eden Church:

please put this date in your diary and invite your friends; men and women, old and young - everyone welcome! Refreshments provided.

Sunday 24th September – Special Notice

Put this date in your diaries to join us for **HARVEST LUNCH** after our Harvest Celebration Service. It's for ALL the family. Proceeds from the lunch will go towards **Parish Nursing**. Details to follow but make this a date in your diaries. Please email key@edenchurch.edenkent.org if you wish to participate in the lunch.

Volunteers will also be required to assist in cooking / preparation of the meal – details to follow. Please email key@edenchurch.edenkent.org

Eden Life Group Sign Up - Following Mel's presentation to the church in May we have now completed training for the Group leaders and assistants. Now its time for those interested in joining a group to please sign up for 2017/8. Forms are available from Simon and Lindsey Heggie. Deadline for sign up for life groups is 30 August.

The next edition of the Key will be on 13th August. All items for publication should be sent to key@edenchurch.edenkent.org no later than **17:00 on Thursday 10th August.**

There are no editions on 30th July or 6th August.

The edition on 13th August will cover 13th – 27th August.

The edition on 3rd September will cover 3rd – 17th September

Rotas

	Today	30th July	6th August
Welcome	Ron & Dorothy	Glenys & VOLUNTEER	Mavis & Helen P
Flowers	Dorothy	Barbara B	VOLUNTEER
Coffee	Myriam & Eden Youth	Mavis & Andrea	David & Maryse
Key Leader	Denine	N/A	N/A
Setup	VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEER

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	13th August	20th August	27th August
Welcome	VOLUNTEER & David A	David A & VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEER
Flowers	VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEER	VOLUNTEER
Coffee	Anne J & Felicity	Anne S & Genevieve	VOLUNTEER
Key Leader	Dorothy	N/A	VOLUNTEER
Setup	David F	Heddwyn	VOLUNTEER