



let the flame burn brighter



## 2012: Handing on the Eternal Flame. (x06)

*The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has never put it out. John 1: 5.*

**SUNDAY 05 February 2012.**

- **Welcome** to all visitors: please fill in a welcome card if you want to stay in touch and hand it to a welcomer wearing a name badge. A BROCHURE is available for all visitors and those new to the church.
- **TODAY is Sunday:** After worship do stay for refreshments in the vestibule. We also have a Communion in the Round service at 6.30pm today.
- **Small Groups:** Interested in joining a small group for discussion, discipleship and prayer together? Speak to Pastor Jane. There are evening and day time opportunities.
- **Electrical re-wiring and buildings snagging.** We hope that our builder Owen will complete the work in the toilets, main stairwell and office this week. Please pray for any problems to be ironed out smoothly.
- **Giving for the work: your contribution.** As the church takes responsibility for its ministry and mission we rejoice that more households are giving regularly by direct credit and many also giving regularly week by week in the offering bags. Thank you to all those who have Gift Aided their Offerings. 2012 is going to be a tough year financially and we seek God as a community of faith for his daily provision. Please make sure that you have a coin jar to collect and play your part in paying for the redevelopment work.
- **Mission:** pray for our mission in East London especially in the Olympic year & Geoff's work as Borough Champion & Transform Newham. Pray using the "round the clock prayer" for those doing mission in Uganda, Zimbabwe, Brazil, and many other countries.
- **Church and community:** Pray please for Shola in Burkina Faso until 12<sup>th</sup> February. There is info on the Mission board and web. Pray also for Cephas working in 2 universities in Nigeria at this difficult time. Pray also for those who are unwell or caring for those who are unwell or elderly. Pray for those in residential care and growing frailer: Grace Pressey, Elsie Pressey, Rose Satchwell, and Joan Symons. Pray also for June & George Dodkin. Pray for those with chronic conditions of illness especially Sharon Stanley-Adams, Zoe Clare. Please uphold all the church family in prayer today.
- **Pastor Jane asks for prayer this week:** for the **VPBC Leaders** Meeting on Monday evening and as they have their Planning Residential on Friday & Saturday. She also attends the **LBA Pastor's Consultation** at High Leigh from Tuesday – Wednesday.
- **User Groups:** please pray for Slimming World, Zumba, Baby Gym and also Alcoholics Anonymous this week as they use our buildings.
- **Foodbank:** We encourage everyone to contribute food to the Foodbank Distribution centres by putting food in the crate in the Vestibule. Thanks to those who do this regularly – the need is growing. A successful training session was held at VPBC on Saturday for volunteers.
- **Meeting Point** will be open this Thursday. We will continue to meet in the Vestibule at the moment which is cosy and comfortable.

**Handing on the Eternal Flame:** The Sunday morning talks can be downloaded from the website as text or mp3 - [www.vpbc.org.uk](http://www.vpbc.org.uk)  
This morning's preacher: Jane Thorington-Hassell.