



**Diary  
May 2006  
Lumb Baptist Church**

## From the pastor's pen

Dear friends

I am writing this before setting off to Brighton for the Baptist Assembly and am trying to look beyond that to the many events and activities that are due to take place during May. It promises to be an exciting month.

I have been promising a preaching course for over six months and can now offer it for the month of May. If you would like to learn more about preaching and receive some teaching and training on the subject, then you are welcome to join us for the first four Tuesdays of May at 7.30 p.m. in the lecture room. If you already do some preaching, I think you'll find the course helpful. I am hoping that it will be of most interest, however, to those who currently do little or no preaching but who feel God might be prompting them to begin. I hope to provide some pointers from my own experience and offer an approach for turning Bible readings into sermons.

The 14th to 20th May is Christian Aid Week, seven amazing days of fundraising, prayer and action against global poverty. As usual we will be collecting from house to house and I will be looking for volunteers to help with this. Nevertheless, the really sacrificial giving usually comes from members of our own congregation. I hope you will pray about your involvement with Christian Aid Week, help where you can, and give generously. Each year we seem to give more than the year before and I hope that this year will be no exception.

On 14 May the churches of the Rossendale Valley will be joining together for a united songs of praise event at Rossendale United football ground. Unfortunately this clashes with our own church weekend away (12–14 May) but not all of you will be at the weekend away so you might like to attend *United at United* at 3 p.m. There will be no evening service at Lumb that day, so why not have an afternoon service instead!

I do not have room to highlight other items planned for May, so please take the time to read the rest of the diary carefully.

Yours in the love of Christ,



Robert Parkinson

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as God in Christ has forgiven you. Eph 4.32*

# May 2006


Tuesday	2nd	2.15 pm	Ladies' Guild
		7.30 pm	Preaching Course Begins – Lecture room
Thursday	4th	12 noon	Lunch @ Lumb
Saturday	6th	3.00 pm	Ordination of Steve Thomasson at Kay Street Baptist Church, Rawtenstall
Sunday	7th	10.30 am	Robert Parkinson – Communion – Church Lunch
Monday	8th	7.30 pm	Deacons' Meeting
Tuesday	9th	2.00 pm	Ladies' Circle
		6.00 pm	<i>Clues 2 Use</i> Children's Club begins
Friday 12th – Sunday 14th			Church Weekend Away
Sunday	14th	10.30 am	Lumb Team
		3.00 pm	United Service at Rossendale United FC
			<b>No evening service</b>
<b>Sunday 14th – Saturday 20th</b>			<b>Christian Aid Week</b>
Monday	15th	7.30 pm	Church Meeting
Sunday	21st	10.30 pm	Edmund Rainsbury
		6.00 pm	Lumb Team
Tuesday	23rd	2.00 pm	Ladies' Circle
Sunday	28th	10.30 am	Robert Parkinson
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**Weekly events and activities:** **Morning Prayer:** Wednesdays, 7.45am.  
**House-groups:** Rainsburys': Tuesdays, 7.45pm; Parkinsons': Wednesdays, 7.30pm. **Music Practice:** Thursdays, 7.30pm. **Teenie Tots** Toddler group: Tuesdays, 9.30am (when school is in session). **Awesome** children's club: Tuesdays 6–7pm.

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	Coffee Rota	Flowers
7th	Lunch	
14th	Michael and Julie	George and Eveline
21st	Tom and Jean	Marjorie
28th	Marian and Joan	Jackie and Chris

**Morning Prayer**  
**Wednesdays**  
**7.45 – 8.15**




**New Children's Club**  
**Tuesdays at 6 p.m. from 9 May**




**Morning Coffee**  
 Wednesdays 10–12

**United at United**  
**Sunday 14 May, 3 p.m.**  
 with  
 Paul Jones  
 and  
 Fiona Hendley  
 at  
 Rossendale United  
 Football Ground



(for the over 60s)  
**Thursday 4 May, 12 noon**  
 £2.50 (tickets from Joan)



**Introduction to Preaching**  
 Tuesdays  
 2, 9, 16 and 23 May  
 7.30 p.m.

**Christian  
 Aid Week**  
 14–20 May 06



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