



Malborough Baptist Church

Sunday service at 10.30am, Minister: Rev Tim Skillman, Tel: 01548 560168
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The month of November has seen the loss of two dear friends; Reverend Kirby and Herbert Nothjung.

Reverend Kirby's memorial service, led by Reverend Daniel French, was excellent as he reflected on Kirby's vibrant energy, enthusiasm and wonderful way in which he brought people together. Kirby involved himself in so many areas of village life; whether it was gardening, village and church events, charity, school or youth work; he was also a formidable badminton player! I, for one, will miss his valuable friendship and how he brought us together as churches. A YouTube of Kirby's farewell service at All Saint's PC (Nov, 2012) can be found at www.youtube.com/watch?v=b-lx2PySh4A (or go to www.youtube.com and enter 'Kirby Hays' in the search bar at the top). Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife Kathy and family at this time.

Herbert Nothjung was also a well-loved character in the village who frequented our fellowship meals. He had an amazing history; a German Panzer tank driver in WWII, wounded on the Russian front and deported to England as a POW where he met his late wife Hazel and even played football for Malborough! A DVD of Herbert, interviewed by Denis King last May, is available; please contact Denis or myself for more details.

As for other events, the Spiritualized bus continues to visit every first Friday of the month for the younger folk; we also invite them, every third Friday of the month in the Chapel, for hot chocolate, toast and variety of games. Lastly, on the 16th of December, 2pm, we look forward to a visit from Malborough pre-school for their Christmas Nativity play and a few surprises!

Our Christmas calendar (at the Baptist Chapel) is as follows;

12 th December, Thurs, 12.30 pm	Fellowship lunch
19 th December, Thurs, 2.00 pm	Pre-school Nativity play
22 nd December, Sun, 10.30 am	Children's Christmas presentation
22 nd December, Sun, 6.30 pm	Candlelight service
25 th December, Wed, 10.00 am	Christmas service

Everyone is very welcome and I hope you have a great Christmas and prosperous new year! *(PS - please don't forget whose birthday it is this Christmas and remember that it's all about Him!)*

Rev Tim Skillman