

** new toddlers group **

Our new toddler group "tiddlers" began recently and is already attracting a large crowd of mums, carers, grandparents and some Dads too.

Join us every Thursday during term-time for fun crafts, singing, toys, snacks and drinks for the kids. There's always coffee & cake for grown-ups too!

Everything is free, and we'll be starting back after Christmas on **10th January** – hope to see you there!

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Peace at Christmas?

A third of families will not get through Christmas Day without having a row

Domestic Violence is expected to rise by 15% over the festive period

Over half a million older people will spend Christmas alone

47% of parents feel pressured to spend more on presents than they can afford

It's not pleasant reading is it? The angels may have announced "**peace on earth**" when Jesus was born, yet not many of us could describe our own circumstances at Christmas-time in the words of the carol: "*all is calm, all is bright!*"

same greed and selfishness that has ruined the world has also alienated us from our creator and **made us God's enemies**, deserving his anger and punishment.

And for most of us, Christmas is not the only time of year that we worry or face problems. Even just over the past few weeks, various members and friends of North Bradley Baptist Church have had to deal with bereavement, serious illness, injury, redundancy and burglary. **Life often seems far from peaceful!**

It's for this reason that Jesus came to earth – in the words of the famous carol, "**Peace on earth and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled**". Jesus came from heaven to bring us back into a good and peaceful relationship with God.

So what did the angels mean when they announced that Jesus' birth would bring "peace on earth"?

He did this by living a perfect life and by taking the punishment that we deserve when he died on the cross in our place. For anyone that accepts Jesus' invitation, **he offers us now the peace we need most... peace with God.**

Peace ... with God

Well the message of the Bible is that the main problem of this world is **not** poverty or illness or war. Instead, the

Peace ... on earth

Jesus also promised that one day he would come back to earth to bring **everlasting peace** to all those who trust in him now as their saviour. At the end of the Bible this new peaceful world is described like this: "*God will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain*" (Revelation chapter 21 verse 4)

So the message of the Bible is that we have a choice to make. Either we accept Jesus as our saviour and experience peace, or we reject him and face his judgement.

Please do come to church and ask questions. We wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas!



Club for 0-5 year olds and their parents / carers

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toddler group

free entry

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toddler group : thursdays 10 – 11:30am

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toast.

table tennis // pool // air hockey // music // badminton // bible talks // outings // gigs // films // loads of toast // snooker // table football

11-18s Youth Club // Fridays 7:30-9:30 // Free

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Fridays at 6:30 – 7:30pm (term-time)

Fun games bible stories quizzes snacks crafts

Club for Primary school kids