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*Proclaiming Jesus Christ as Lord
and seeking to serve the community in His name*

I've kindly been asked to be a guest writer of this letter. For those who don't know me I was a Team minister at the church until 1995. Over recent weeks I've been seeing a counsellor to try to understand many things that were bothering me from a whole variety of life experiences. At one point I was asked to list my achievement and failures in life among my failures I listed:- Failing to make Team Ministry work - Twice!

I trained for the Baptist Ministry in mid-life and after four years, I felt it right to go join an ecumenical team ministry alongside a Church of England vicar. The team simply didn't work and after six years I was delighted to return to Yorkshire where a new grouping of churches and a team ministry had been set up in the wider Keighley area. Sadly when I retired in 1995, the team ministry here was in trouble and now 23 years later I see this in part as my failure. And I'm pleased to have this opportunity to apologise to those who were around at that time for my part in this failure.

In thinking about teams I can either picture a football or cricket team. Or the much more complicated team required in a manufacturing business, which had been my experience for over twenty years. A football team needs a variety of skills, eleven goal keepers would not be a great success! A team also needs a captain. I've come to believe that in the team ministries in which I was involved, their failure was in part due to the lack of a recognised leader.

Had we been able to better demonstrate the many benefits that working as a team should bring to ministry, we could have expanded the concept to how we see the work of the church in proclaiming the gospel. In industry we relied on a whole host of skills to achieve our manufacturing goals. The church has the same requirements and looking back I am perhaps most grateful to those who simply were an encouragement to me. To see the church as a team seems to me to have endless possibilities.

Brian Carpenter.

Romans 12:6 We are to use our different gifts in accordance with the grace that God has given us

Date	Preacher	Deacon	Prayers	Reader	Porch	Coffee	Flowers	Sunday School
4th Nov Communion	Chris & Joe	Mags	Marion	Kathleen	Jean H	Edwina F & Jean W	Maureen	Chris and Christian
11th Nov	Chris & Joe	Karen	Mags	Annie	Duncan	Rachel U & Penny S	Jude	Chris and Christian
18th Nov Family Service	Chris	Sharn	Jude	Barbara C	Viv	Mags & Paul	Eveline W	Chris and Christian
25th Nov	Chris & Joe	Vera	Annie	Barbara S	Jan Walker	Marie Claire, Viv & Liz	Pat P	Chris and Christian
2nd Dec Communion	Chris & Joe	Barbara	Chris L	Sarah	Dave	Hazel B & Sarah W	Sarah (Advent Ring)	All Hands on deck!

Please arrange a swap if you are not available for any of the duties above.

Dates for your Diary at WLBC

STOP: Soup Together Other Peace at WLBC

Every Sunday in November £2 donation for the Soup

Coffee and Theology at Church and Community Office.

Every Thursday - 10am

All Quiet on the Western Front (PG) Haworth Cinema at WLBC

9th Nov – 7.30pm £4 Adults & £2 Children and Students

Joint Remembrance Service at the Cenotaph

11th Nov – 10:50am. Our service at the Chapel will take place at 9am.

Social with Rough Nook - A lunch is provided for a small fee.

12th Nov - 10.30am. Join in activities, board games or just make friends.

Film Club The Magnificent 7 (U) 12th Nov - at 1pm

G & S Production, The Sorcerer

12th – 17th Nov - Tickets available online or telephone 03336663366

Carers Coffee and Cakes and Cobbles and Clay: 15th Nov at 1.30pm

Swimming With Men (12A) Haworth Cinema at WLBC

23th Nov - 7.30pm £4 Adults & £2 Children and Students

Drop in Lunch - Three course meal prepared by Johnnie.

26th Nov - 12pm NEXT date for your diary - **Dec 17th**

Novembers Birthday's

11th November – Imogen Upton

A thank you from the Smith's

Its been about a month since we moved into Stanbury, and joined you all at WLBC and we just wanted to say a massive thank you once again for making us all feel so welcome here at WLBC. A special thank you has to go to those who helped us move, unpack and who made cake! We are really looking forward to getting to know you better over the next 20 months, so please do come and visit us over in Stanbury, we are always delighted to put the kettle on.

Chris has encouraged me to ask the question 'what makes a good Baptist minister?' and it has been great over this past month to spend time with some of you and hear some of your thoughts. Don't be surprised if I turn up at your door asking that very question!

Joe Smith