

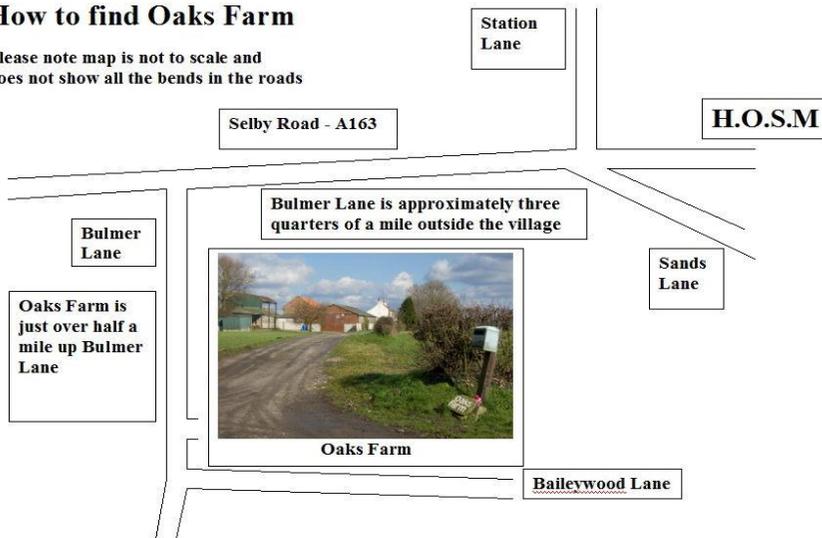
Fellowship Activities

Church Services

Morning services start at 10.30 am each Sunday. We meet at Oaks Farm, located in Bulmer Lane. There are special activities for children. Services are followed by light refreshments and a time to chat.

How to find Oaks Farm

Please note map is not to scale and does not show all the bends in the roads



Coffee Shop in the Village Courtyard

This is run by volunteers from Monday to Saturday 10.00 am to 1.00 pm

Everyone is welcome to come in, enjoy the relaxed atmosphere and have a hot or cold drink. A wide range of snacks are served.

We also run...

- Lunch Club at the Coffee Shop on the first and second Fridays of each month (12 noon).
- Tuesday afternoon Craft Club (2.00 pm to 3.30 pm).
- Thursday afternoon Art Club (2.00 pm to 4.0 pm)

Holme Christian Fellowship are registered members of CAP - a free debt advice service, If you would like more information on any of these activities please ask in the Coffee Shop or contact either ...

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You can also see information on www.holmechristianfellowship.org

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There's a new day dawning

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April 1st is on its way

When we were children, we looked forward to April 1st. and spent ages thinking up jokes, none of which were original or even clever, to play on our parents and friends. Everyone joined in and no harm was done. It was all innocent fun.

In turn, when I first started teaching, I braced myself for all those jokes and pranks which would come my way. The children were always surprised that I knew what they were up to! In fact, we teachers also played a few jokes on the children and they loved it!

Nowadays, this would be considered politically incorrect and no-one joins in on April fool jokes in schools any more. This may have come from the thought that no-one likes to feel foolish and we should not make anyone feel foolish. It is true that no-one likes to look a fool, but Christians can often seem so because of the message they proclaim. In 1 Corinthians 1 verse 18, we read that *"The message of the cross is foolishness to those that are perishing."*

Why is that? It is because many people feel that they want to get to Heaven by their own achievements; that they are somehow good enough. But, the death of Jesus on the cross reminds us that none of us is good enough and it is through His death, and that alone, that we can enter the Kingdom of God.

If that is foolishness, then who wants to be clever?

Furthermore, the Bible tells us that God has chosen the foolish things of this world to confound the wise. Which means that we don't have to be clever or have a degree to understand the Gospel. It is simple enough for everyone to get hold of. So don't let anyone put you down when you say that Jesus is your Lord and Saviour. It makes you one of the wisest people on earth!

Sandra Lemming

Thanks

When battling through the storms of life it is sometimes difficult to see the good things which we are also experiencing.

It is always easy to focus on negative things, but I would like to challenge you to think of five things which are a blessing to you. At first you might find that difficult, but as you do it regularly it will become easier. Perhaps you will then find it helpful to pray this short prayer

Dear Lord, I've been so busy, I've not had time to say
A thank you for the happiness that I've enjoyed today
We all like looking forward to Life's most pleasant things
And fill each special moment with the memories it brings
Yet when beset with problems we find some time for prayer
Because we know God listens and shows his constant care
Could we not then remember to spare the time to say
A thank you for the pleasure that we've received today?

Chris

Prayer for Healing

One of the recent new ventures in The Coffee Shop is 'Prayer for healing'. As a Fellowship we believe God is our healer, He tells us in the Bible "Behold I am the God who heals you" and we are told Jesus heals 'all sicknesses and all diseases'. Jesus also said to His disciples of the time, but also down the generations, 'to pray for the sick, for the healing of all sickness and disease.' We give thanks for doctors, hospitals and medicine, these are God given

Prayer to Almighty God can be in addition to these, and even before them; and healing taking place after prayer replacing the need for medical intervention. We have experienced healing personally, and witnessed others being healed in line with Jesus healing all sickness and disease; a full range of healings.

Healing is not only for physical conditions, emotional healing and spiritual healing can take place. Come along and together let us invite the power of prayer in Jesus name to be over your situation. Book, or pop in to the Coffee Shop on the third Wednesday afternoon from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm every month. (20th March and 17th April next).

Robert and Helen (01430 860997)

Two short stories about being an atheist

An atheist was spending a quiet day fishing when suddenly his boat was attacked by the Loch Ness monster. In one easy flip, the beast tossed him and his boat high into the air. Then it opened its mouth to swallow both.

As the man sailed head over heels, he cried out, 'Oh, my God! Help me!'

At once, the ferocious attack scene froze in place, and as the atheist hung in mid-air, a booming voice came down from the clouds, 'I thought you didn't believe in me!'

'Come on God, give me a break!' the man pleaded. 'Two minutes ago I didn't believe in the Loch Ness monster either!'

// **An atheist hopes God will do nothing to disturb his disbelief.** //

A young woman teacher with obvious liberal tendencies explains to her class of small children that she is an atheist. She asks her class if they are atheists too. Not really knowing what atheism is but wanting to be like their teacher, their hands shoot into the air. There is, however, one exception. A beautiful girl named Lucy has not gone along with the crowd. The teacher asks her why she has decided to be different.

'Because I'm not an atheist.'

'Then,' asks the teacher, 'what are you?'

'I'm a Christian.'

The teacher is a little perturbed now, her face slightly red. She asks Lucy why she is a Christian.

'Well, I was brought up knowing and loving Jesus. My mum is a Christian, and my dad is a Christian, I also accepted Christ as my personal saviour and I am a Christian.'

The teacher is now angry.

'That's no reason,' she says loudly. 'What if your mum had been a moron, and your dad had been a moron. What would you be then?'

After a pause, and a smile.

'Then,' says Lucy, 'I'd be an atheist.'