Based on: Matthew 9:22: 36-38; "But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd. Then He said to His disciples, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the labourers are few, therefore pray the Lord of harvest to send out labourers into His harvest." John 4:36 "And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who gathers may rejoice together."

### Harvest

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Lord of harvest Multitudes Plentiful Pray Reaps Rejoice Scattered

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### October 2009 at CHRJST CHURCH

Dear friends at Christchurch

All good gifts around us, are sent from heaven above Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love!

It is so important for us to celebrate Harvest. Living in an increasingly complex world, where we can walk into the supermarket and buy whatever food we want from all over the world rather than having to grow it ourselves, it is easy to forget that actually, it is God who gives the harvest. For all our human ingenuity, the advances in agricultural technology, and global transport, we still are dependent on rain and sun, on the miracle that turns a tiny seed into a fruit-bearing plant. We are completely dependent on God.

Harvest is a reminder for us that our God is generous. Experience tells us that, and so does the Bible. And it is actually what the Bible tells us which is most important. That's why this month in our Sunday morning services we are going to be looking at 'Knowing God' – which is something we can only do as he reveals himself in the Bible.

We need to do it! We live in a society where many people believe in God, but the view they have of God is often far removed from the truth. If we are to avoid worshipping false gods, we need to make sure that our understanding of God is shaped by his word.

And that is especially important when we come to pray. How many people end up disappointed in prayer because their view of God and their expectations of him was distorted. It is only as we know God more clearly that we will be able to pray to him more confidently and joyfully.

Yours in Christ

## Regular weekly activities:

Monday - 9.30 am Toddler Group

1.00 pm TLC

Tuesday - 9.30 am Toddler Group

1.15 pm Art Group

4..00 pm Shine

Wednesday - 9.30 am Toddler Group

- 1.00 pm Needlecraft Group

1.30 pm Toddler Group

5.15 pm Rainbows

Thursday - 1.00 pm Craft Group

9.45 am Keep Fit

- 11.00 am Keep Fit

- 5.30 pm Brownies - 7.30 pm Guides

Friday - 9.15 am Mothers 'n' Others

7.00 pm Evening Bowls

### **Christians in Parliament**

Christians in Parliament are asking for a week of prayer (5th—11th October) before Parliament reopens on the 12th October. Please pray for all Christians working in Parliament. If you would like to visit their website visit - www.christiansinparliament.org.uk II Chronicles 7:14 - If my people, who are called by my name; will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

# Men's Breakfast



## christ church moreton

Come and join us for a fry-up breakfast and a chance to think about:

### 'What football team does God support?'

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2009 @ 8:30am Christ Church Centre

#### Want to know more?

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### **Advance Notice - Commemoration Service**

Over the past few years we've held a special service near the end of October to which we invite those who have been bereaved over the previous year. This year the service will take place on *Sunday 1st November at 4.00 pm*. This is a service at which there will be prayer for those who have been bereaved and also a special opportunity to remember loved ones and to give thanks to God for them.

If you know anyone for whom this service might be helpful do please let them know, and please consider coming along yourself, even if you've not been bereaved. It would be good to have people from church to share in the service.