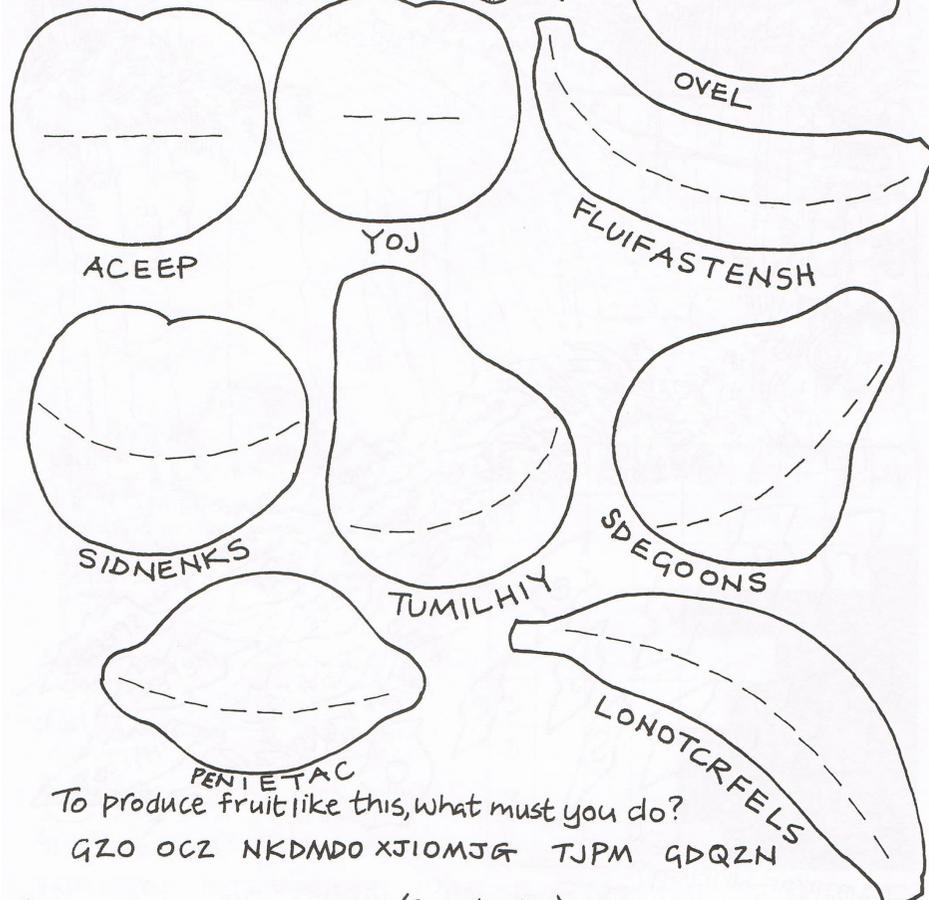


What Harvest does God want to grow in your life?

Unscramble the words and write them on the fruits. Colour and cut out the fruits. Hang them from a coat hanger or stick using black cotton to make a mobile.



To produce fruit like this, what must you do?

GZO OCZ NKDMDO XJ10MJG TJPM GDQZN

Decode the message using the 'Code-buster' below (lower letters equal upper letters)

ABCDEF GHIJKL MNOPQRSTU VWXYZ
VWXYZ ABCDEF GHIJKLMNOPQRSTU

See Gal. 5: 22-25.

October 2012 at Christ Church

Dear friends at Christchurch

"Come, you thankful people, come"

The Harvest is so important! It is easy to take it for granted, but just looking at the news reminds us that if the rains fail, the harvest can be lost, and people starve. Realising that should make us grateful to God for the food which we do have, and should also encourage us to help those who are suffering around the world because of failed harvests,

The Harvest is so important. Jesus once said *The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. (Matthew 9:37)* He wasn't talking about the harvest of food, but a harvest of people coming to recognise Jesus as their Lord and Saviour, and so coming into eternal life.

The Harvest is so important. The book of Hebrews tells us that as God disciplines us *it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it. (Hebrews 12:11)* Surely that is a harvest that all of us who are Christians long to see in our lives.

The Harvest is so important. But it doesn't just happen by itself. The natural harvest depends on God to provide the sun and the rain necessary for crops to grow, but it also depends on the hard work of the farmer. If the farmer does nothing, there won't be much of a harvest.

In the same way, only God can bring someone to new life in Jesus, but we have our part to play in speaking to others about him. That's why when Jesus spoke about this harvest, he ended by urging his hearers to *ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.* If we aren't prepared to share the Good News with others, there won't be much of a harvest. And unless we are prepared to give ourselves to prayer, worship, reading God's word, and fellowship, we will miss out on the ways in which God wants to be at work making us more like Jesus, and again there won't be much harvest.

So at this harvest time, are you ready to take up the challenge of playing your part in the harvest?

Yours in Christ

Graham Cousins

Regular weekly activities:

Monday	-	9.30 am : Toddler Group
	-	1.00 pm : TLC
Tuesday	-	9.30 am : Toddler Group
Wednesday	-	1.00 pm : Needlecraft Group
	-	5.30 : Rainbows
	-	6.15 pm : Brownies
Thursday	-	9.45 am : Keep Fit
	-	11.00 am : Keep Fit
	-	1.00 pm : Craft Group
	-	1.45 pm : Baby Bible Buddies
	-	5.30 pm : Brownies
	-	7.30 pm : Guides
Friday	-	9.15 am : Mothers 'n' Others
	-	7.00 pm : Bowls

SALTMINE THEATRE THURSDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2012 THE MOSSLANDS SCHOOL WALLASEY

Tickets: £7 (£4 for under 18's)
Box Office: 0151 201 1883

Love Struck is a play about human trafficking – a crime that is taking place in our communities. The show follows a number of individuals whose lives are all impacted by trafficking.
(Further details on Parish Centre notice board)



COMMEMORATION SERVICE

Each autumn we hold a special service to which we invite those who have been bereaved over the previous year. This year the service will take place on Sunday 4th November at 4.30 pm. This is a service at which there will be prayer for those who have been bereaved and also an 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.

COME TO THE LIGHT



If you haven't yet got a flier with details of this exciting mission next year, please take one from the Welcome Desk. There is a launch for the mission on Saturday 3rd November at "Prezzo" in New Brighton – just near the Light Cinema where the mission will be held. Doors open 9.45 am, and we will be finished by 11.15 am. Come and have a coffee and pastry (all free!!) and hear about how you can help make 'Come to the Light' a success.

A GRAND AUTUMN BARN DANCE at Christ Church Parish Centre Friday 26th October 7.30 p.m.

Tickets only £3.50 Adults, £1.50 children, from the Church Office or Committee Members



Getting YOUR KIDS through church without them ending up

Hating God - Join International speaker and bestselling author Rob Parsons on Wednesday 14th November 7.30pm-10 pm The Bridge Chapel Centre, Heath Road, South Liverpool, L19 4XR or Thursday 15th November 7.30 pm – 10 pm in Manchester at The Lighthouse, 12 Centenary Park, Eccles, M50 1RE.

Further details on Church/Parish Centre notice boards. Tickets £5 (029 2081 0800) or www.gyktc.org.uk

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