

Torch Holidays 2019

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Something for Everyone

There's something for everyone at the Torch Holiday and Retreat Centre – the haven for people with sight loss!

Whichever holiday you choose there are always plenty of trips out to places of interest, and excellent Christian content. Whatever the weather, warm friendship, fun, comfortable accommodation and good food are guaranteed! You'll be blessed physically and spiritually on a Torch Holiday.

The holidays we run are provided with support from our charitable funds for people with sight loss, however we are very happy to welcome family, friends and companions to come along as well, at the same price listed in the programme.

For information about additional breaks for Torch Fellowship Groups, please call us.

Fully inclusive

Don't forget – our holiday prices are fully inclusive! That means inclusive of all meals, outings, entrance fees, event tickets and transport during the holiday. A 10% discount applies to the holiday price for shared room occupancy.

Enjoying your Holiday – Mobility Grading

To help you to choose the right holiday and get the best experience of what we can offer you, we provide a simple mobility grading scheme for all our holidays. The grading is explained below.

G0 – Only short distances involved, so open to those using a mobility aid.

G1 – Low level activity, gentle walks up to 500 metres.

G2 – Mid level activity, walking up to 2 miles.

G3 – Higher level activity, walking up to 8 miles.

How to book

To book a Torch Holiday just give us a call on 01858 438260.

Something for all Seasons

Spring Holidays

Marilyn Baker Ministries £400 GO

A time of learning to hear God more clearly through music and teaching, with Marilyn Baker, Christian singer and song-writer. This will be a lovely, spiritual break which will combine Bible study with fellowship and fun, all with the aim of drawing closer to God.

Be-loved – Women’s Pamper Break £300 GO

In need of a pick-me-up after the cold winter months? This break will be a special time for women to come

together and share in friendship and fun. Immerse yourself in a few days of relaxation and rejuvenation at Torch HRC. The programme will include a spa treatments session, a delicious afternoon tea, fun dance and movement, healthy eating tips for the year ahead and much more. Our speaker will lead daily devotional times when we will deepen our understanding of who we are as beloved daughters and women of God. Go home revitalised both spiritually and physically.

Spring Quiet Retreat £285 GO

A time of spiritual rest and rejuvenation. Led by our team along with a visiting speaker this will be a time of seeking the Lord and going deeper with Him. There will be time and space for quiet contemplation, music, Bible meditation, teaching and prayer support, as well as

fun and fellowship together as brothers and sisters in Christ. Perfect preparation for Easter celebrations.

He is Alive – Easter £600 G1

Come together with friends old and new to celebrate this special time of year for Christians worldwide. Daily devotional times will be led by our visiting speaker as we contemplate Jesus' death and resurrection. We will join with the village churches on a Good Friday Walk of Witness, and with the Good News Church for Easter Sunday morning praise, in addition to our own worship service in the chapel at Torch HRC. The programme will also include plenty of time to relax.

Make a Joyful Noise – Music Week £400 G1

Love music? Play an instrument? Enjoy singing? Want to get together with others to praise and worship the Lord with music? If yes is your answer then this holiday is for you!

The chapel at Torch HRC has excellent acoustics; the very place where Matt Redman wrote ‘10,000 reasons’. Using the two pianos and guitar at Torch HRC, or bringing your own musical instrument with you, we will be making a joyful noise to the Lord. We will make our own percussion instruments to add to the rhythm. There will be opportunity to share songs and styles culminating in an evening concert which will raise the roof.

Not had enough music yet? Then why not stay on from Music Week to join us

for Big Church Day Out, a two day Christian music festival at Wiston House, West Sussex?

Big Church Day Out Weekend £400 G2

Held at Wiston House, a twenty minute drive from Torch HRC, Big Church Day Out South is a two day music extravaganza in the grounds of this beautiful country mansion. Spread over the large grassy site, the festival has a number of stages and venues, showcasing Christian music to suit all tastes, as well as book and music stalls, food vendors and more. After a relaxed start to each day, we will travel by minibus to Wiston, armed with gazebo, chairs, picnic and drinks, to make the most of the day. Staff and volunteers will be on hand to help you explore the

festival as you wish. Get ready to listen, sing, walk, dance, eat and worship in the company of friends.

Summer Holidays 7 nights £700, 5 nights £500 G1

In response to demand we will be running four Summer Holidays this year, which will follow a similar programme. Summer Holidays 1 and 2 will be 7 nights, while Summer Holidays 3 and 4 will be 5 nights.

These are ideal holidays to bring a friend with you as our summer holidays are a time of fun and fellowship at our beautiful Centre in Sussex. There is plenty of time to relax and enjoy the house and garden, take a stroll in the village of Hurstpierpoint or go on one of our excursions to places such as local

gardens, places of interest and the seaside. Each day there is a short devotional time and each evening fun and entertainment. Good food, good company and lots of good memories!

Other highlights will include for Summer Holiday 1, a special evening when local singer, Lou Fellingham, will be giving a concert. And for Summer Holiday 2, which will be even more leisurely reflecting its GO grading, devotions will be led by Marilyn Baker, Christian singer and song-writer and Tracey Williamson, author.

Other Summer Breaks

Summer Madness – Activity Week £735 G3

For the adventurous at heart, this week long holiday aims to challenge you both physically and spiritually. Daily Bible teaching will help you to deepen your relationship with Jesus and with each other. The programme will be packed full of activities both in and out of the Centre to stretch and inspire you and may include such things as canoeing, horse riding, climbing, 4x4 driving, team games and challenges, ice skating, evenings of music and fun and much more. Feel the fear and do it anyway!

Pilgrim's Progress – Walking Week £475 G3

Sussex is a county of beautiful rolling downs, woodlands, clifftop paths and seafront promenades. Each day we will leave the Centre after a good breakfast, armed with plenty of water and a packed lunch, to travel by minibus to the start point for the day's walk. We will spend the day taking in open countryside, sunshine-dappled wooded paths or breezy clifftops with views out to sea. Distances walked will be 6–8 miles, generally over gentle gradients, but with some steeper sections at times. Toilet/café/pub stops are built into the days walking for those needing a comfort break or a refreshing drink. Evenings are a time of relaxation, friendship and conversations.

After Summer Spiritual Retreat £285 G0

A time of spiritual rest and rejuvenation. Led by our team along with a visiting speaker this will be a time of seeking the Lord and going deeper with him. There will be time and space for quiet contemplation, music, Bible meditation, teaching and prayer support, as well as fun and fellowship together as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Flavours & Colours of Europe £500 G1

How about a little European trip without even leaving the UK, staying in the comfort of Torch HRC instead? Our international Torch HRC staff will take you on an adventure through the countries of their origin. You can

journey with them to discover their faith, culture, traditions, taste their food, listen to music and even learn the basics of their language. Become an explorer and join us!

Autumn and Winter Holidays

Marilyn Baker Ministries £400 GO

A time of learning to hear God more clearly through music and teaching, with Marilyn Baker, Christian singer and song-writer. This will be a lovely, spiritual break which will combine Bible study with fellowship and fun, all with the aim of drawing closer to God.

Crafts for Christmas £500 G1

Christmas presents, decorations for your tree, special touches for your festive table, Christmas nibbles to share with family and friends: we'll be having a go at it all on this fun crafting holiday. This will be a week of creativity and friendship as we come together over the craft table. The programme will also include a daily devotional time, an opportunity for local Christmas shopping and lots of fun and laughter as we prepare for the festive season ahead.

Winter Quiet Retreat £285 G0

A time of spiritual rest and rejuvenation. Led by our team along with a visiting speaker this will be a time of seeking the Lord and going deeper with him. There will be time and space for quiet

contemplation, music, Bible meditation, teaching and prayer support, as well as fun and fellowship together as brothers and sisters in Christ. Perfect spiritual preparation for Christmas.

Pre-Christmas – Jingle Bells £650 GO

Join us for an early Christmas celebration – all the fun of the real thing just two weeks early! We'll have carols, turkey, mince pies, presents, trees decked with lights and tinsel, Christmas quizzes and games and even a visit from Father Christmas himself. There will be opportunity to try your hand at acting in our Christmas play or taking part in leading our carol service. Come and pull a cracker with us this year!

Christmas – Ding Dong Merrily on High £650 GO

Come and join the family for our Christmas week celebrations at Torch HRC. We'll have carols, turkey, mince pies, presents, trees decked with lights and tinsel, Christmas quizzes and games and a visit from Father Christmas himself. This will be a time of food, fellowship and fun as we share together to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Mobility Grading Reminder

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Holiday Dates List 2019

March

Mon 25– Fri 29 (4 nights) – Marilyn Baker Ministries £400.00 – G0

April

Tues 2 – Fri 5 (3 nights) – Be Loved Women's Pamper £300.00 – G0

Mon 8 – Thurs 11 (3 nights) – Spring Quiet Retreat £285.00 – G0

Wed 17 – Tues 23 (6 nights) – He Is Alive – Easter £600.00 – G1

May

Mon 20 – Fri 24 (4 nights) – Make a Joyful Noise – Music week £400.00 – G1

Fri 24 – Tues 28 (4 nights) – Big Church Day Out Weekend £400.00 – G2

June

Wed 5 – Wed 12 (7 nights) – Summer Madness Activity Week £735.00 – G3

July

Sat 13 – Sat 20 (7 nights) – Summer Holiday 1 £700.00 – G1

Mon 29 – Mon 5 Aug (7 nights) – Summer Holiday 2 (MB speaker) £700.00 – G0

August

Mon 12 – Sat 17 (5 nights) – Summer Holiday 3 £500.00 – G1

Mon 19 – Sat 24 (5 nights) – Summer Holiday 4 £500.00 – G1

September

Mon 2 – Sat 7 (5 nights) – Pilgrim's Progress –Walking Week £475.00 – G3

**Mon 16 – Thurs 19 (3 nights) – After
Summer Retreat £285.00 – G0**

**Mon 23 – Sat 28 (5 nights) – Flavours &
Colours of Europe £500.00 – G1**

October

**Mon 7 – Fri 11 (4 nights) – Marilyn Baker
Ministries £400.00 – G0**

November

**Mon 18 – Sat 23 (5 nights) – Crafts for
Christmas £500.00 – G1**

December

**Mon 2 – Thurs 5 Dec (3 nights) – Winter
Quiet Retreat £285.00 – G0**

**Mon 9 – Sat 14 (5 nights) –
Pre-Christmas – Jingle Bells £650.00 –
GO**

**Mon 23 – Sat 28 (5 nights) – Christmas
– Ding Dong Merrily on High £650.00 –
GO**

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