



Eastwood Baptist Church

Weekly News Update

Sunday February 21st 2021

We are pleased to again welcome

Michelle Eversden-Taylor who is leading us today as we hold our service which is on You Tube. The Bible readings are from:

Matthew chapter 5: 1-11 and chapter 15:1-16 and Romans chapter 7:18-25 Theme: PURITY

Welcome to you all. Zoom Coffee is open for all to join in at home at 11.30 see details below



Carehome Easter Gifts

We are again making up gift bags for all the staff and residents of Brooklands, Havengore and Badgers Care Homes, in partnership with Leighfields Church. If you would like to contribute or help with the making up of the bags or purchasing gifts please let me know. These gifts were so well received at Christmas and the Homes are thrilled to receive them. Thank you Jo x

EBC Members Meeting

Sunday 28th February 2021 at 12 noon.

We have our first Members' Meeting of 2021 where David Mayne our Moderator will be chairing. David will also be leading our service via Zoom. Joining details will be sent out together with dialling options. We look forward to our service and meeting as we look ahead for EBC.

Social Media

Follow us on **Facebook** to keep up to date with what is going on. Eastwood Baptist Church (look for the logo)

YouTube: Sunday Morning – a Link will be sent out on Sundays

Website: **www.eastwoodbaptist.org.uk**

Val's Joke this Week!

I was in a couple 's home trying to fix their Internet connection. The husband called out to his wife in the other room for the computer password. "Start with a capital S, then 123," she shouted back. We tried S123 several times, but it didn 't work. So we called the wife in. As she input the password, she muttered, "I really don 't know what 's so difficult about typing Start123."

A note for your Diary: **EBC Magic Evening via Zoom.**

We are pleased to be having Steve Price a member of Christian Magicians UK to perform via Zoom on Saturday 20th March 2021.

Zoom Opens at 6.30 pm for 7pm start. Details will be advised nearer the time.

Zoom Gatherings

We have been having a great time spiritually and socially on Zoom! It has been wonderful to see you all and we have been impressed that so many of you have given it a go. Meeting together is one of those things that define us as Baptists!

If you are logging onto our Zoom meetings with your computer, please use the links that Val is emailing out. If you want to call in, which some of you are doing, please call **0330 088 5830** which is charged at a local rate.

Wednesday Prayers at 19.00 for 19.30 Meeting ID **874 3252 0589 followed by passcode **398166****

Sunday After Service Coffee 11.30 Meeting ID: **899 3408 2687 followed by passcode **465701****

Let's be persistent in our prayers.

In the words of Max Lucado: Our prayers may be awkward, our attempts may be feeble, but since the power of prayer is in the one who hears it and not in the one who says it, our prayers do make a difference.

Give thanks to God that the target of 15 million people receiving their first Covid vaccinations has been achieved, and that more people can now look forward to receiving them. Pray that supplies of vaccines will be maintained, that they will be effective, and that the number of cases and pressure on hospitals reduced. Pray for all those affected in so many ways by the long term effects of this virus, whether it be physically or mentally, by increased workload and/or emotionally draining circumstances, for people who have lost their jobs, for relief of family pressures, financial worries, loneliness and feelings of isolation, and other worries. Pray that supplies of medicines for all other conditions will be maintained, and that urgent operations will become increasingly available.

Pray for all of those in or associated with our fellowship
-As they cope with the loss of a loved one, and deal with the necessary matters surrounding it;
-As they cope with the effects of long standing illness, and for their families and carers as they support them. Give thanks for the heightened profile of our church, through the links made in respect of the Foodbank, and pray that it will increasingly be able to meet the needs of people in the local community
Pray for Gwen Harper, who is very poorly, and receiving palliative care at home, and for her daughter Ruth and son-in-law Richard as they care for her.
Pray also for Brian Noble who has had an operation to repair an internal hernia in his bowel. Give thanks that the operation was successful, and pray that he will take it easy as he fully recovers.

unanswered prayer

the prayer course II

The follow up series to The Prayer Course, (5 weekly sessions) designed to provoke honest conversation around the hardest and most personal questions we ask about prayer.

Session 1: Intro
Session 2: Maundy Thursday : How?
Session 3: Good Friday : Why?
Session 4: Holy Saturday : Where?
Session 5: When?
For further details and Zoom Link Contact Jo H

<https://prayercourse.org/prayercourse2/>

EEC/EBC BIBLE STUDY

STARTING
MON
MARCH 1ST
10.30

THIS WEEK 'S ACTIVITIES

Please note the church building remains closed except for:

Monday 22nd:15.00-16.00 Church open for dropping off

Food Bank donations ONLY

Wednesday 24th Food Bank open 09.30-11.00 for guests with vouchers to collect goods

19.00 for 19.30 ; Zoom prayer meeting via link

Friday 26th;10.30-11.30 Church open for dropping off

Food Bank donations ONLY

Friday Club and Energise meet virtually, details on Facebook

Please note Friday Club now meets from 18.30-19.00

Next week **February 28th** You Tube Service at 10.00 led by our Moderator: David Mayne followed by a ZOOM coffee meeting at 11.30 with the **Members Meeting starting at 12.00**



Foodbank News

The volunteers are a hardy bunch and braved the snow last week and the rain this week to open the Foodbank. We were happy to be able to report that guests visited and were very grateful for gifts we gave them.

We have a new outdoor banner and you just cant miss it !

This week the requests food donations are : Long-life Puddings, Long-life Fruit Juice, Instant Mash, Jam and Mug Shots
Sharon and the Team

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Bible Studies If you would like to receive a **weekly Bible study** via e mail or receive a hard copy please do ask for this by emailing Val Statt or phoning Rosie Midson on 01702 528880