



Eastwood Baptist Church

Weekly News Update

Sunday 23rd January 2022



Our morning worship service will be led Rev Jo Hellenbrand and Richard Leadley speaking about the work of

Christians Against Poverty

The reading is Luke 14:1-14

Gods promising and blessings

We have a Prayer Board in the Lower Hall displaying Eastern Baptist Association churches prayer requests plus an opportunity to place our own prayers. These will be regularly prayed for by the Leadership Team and Prayer Team. We encourage you to make use of it.

Advance Notice for Members: our next meeting will be held at **12.30 on Sunday February 6th** following the morning service. Coffee and teas are served but bring your own lunch

Please NOTE the next **Men's Breakfast** is now hopefully to be held in March, the January date of the 22nd being postponed due to continued Covid problems.

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See us on our Facebook page too

Weekly Prayer Meetings via Zoom. To join these please see the email sent out by Val Statt giving the Zoom joining link.

Telephone joining details are:-

0330 088 5830 followed by:

Meeting ID: 894 0385 0127 Passcode: 123456.

If you have any difficulties please call me.

Thank you Jo Hellenbrand.

Using our church for WORSHIP:

Covid precautions are still being taken: you can choose where to sit but are required to wear a face covering. The Sanctuary will be well ventilated. The heating is on but please do bring something warm and consider wearing a hat. We would ask that you do not attend church if you have any Covid symptoms or have been requested to self-isolate. Please continue to use the hand sanitisers. **WELCOME TO YOU ALL**

Original Hand Made Cards by Carole Collier

Lovely hand-made cards by Carole are available to purchase with proceeds going to EBC . See selection in the vestibule . Carole can be contacted on 01702 511895 to discuss your requirements and also arrange delivery to any of our EBC family

FOR OUR PRAYER TIMES

Let's be persistent in our prayers. Pray hard and long. Pray for your brothers and sisters. Keep your eyes open. Keep each other's spirits up so that no one falls behind or drops out (Ephesians 6:18-The Message)

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 (Max Lucado).

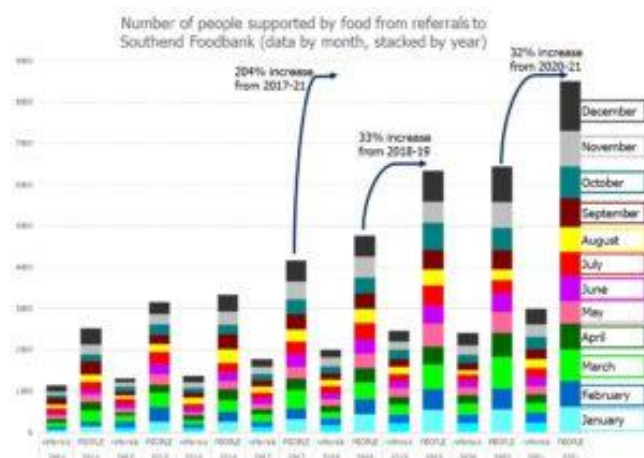
Christians Against Poverty. Thank God for the work carried out by CAP, to bring hope and restore lives that are being destroyed by poverty. Poverty that breaks families apart, isolates people from friends and family, shatters confidence, and drives many to think that suicide is the only way out. Pray that He will continue to be at the heart of things, to bring new hope to those who are in the miserable grip of poverty, which is a reality for millions in this country. Pray for those who feel trapped in their homes, afraid to open the door or answer the phone, those who wake up wondering where they'll find the money to feed their children, or heat their home, and find they cannot do both. Pray that, with food, energy and other prices increasing, at the moment at a rate higher than household income, that CAP, and other charities like Foodbank, will be able to help the families in need of support.

The World. Pray about the problems of climate change, famine, war, and economic imbalance between countries. Pray for successful diplomatic efforts to prevent possible invasion of Ukraine by Russia, and other places in the world where wars and major conflicts between and within countries are currently happening, often under the radar of regular news reporting. Pray for relief efforts to help in the problems caused by a tsunami in Tonga, and earthquakes in Afghanistan, adding to the problems of famine in that troubled country. **Food availability.** It was recently estimated that 2.5 billion people (nearly a third of the world's population) lacked an adequate supply of food. Of these, one billion were facing malnutrition, and of these 45 million were on the brink of famine. Globally, 22% of children under the age of five were stunted due to lack of nourishment. Pray that God will help all those trying to tackle this enormous problem, in both the short and long term. Thank God for all who are donating dry foodstuffs, and pray for their speedy and smooth delivery and distribution.

Pray for everyone in the world who is suffering from **Covid 19**. Pray especially at this time for the countries who are having large numbers of new infections at the moment, including the USA, India, France, Italy, Spain, Argentina and Australia. Pray that this will not lead to an increased level of deaths, and that medical services will not be overwhelmed. **In this country,** thank God that the number of new Covid infections and critically ill in hospitals is now falling, and pray for the physical and mental well being of NHS and other medical staff and carers. Pray for those who are struggling. The effects of the pandemic has created and worsened many physical, emotional, mental, economic and social problems. Pray that God will bring hope and peace of mind in these situations.

SOUTHEND FOODBANK IN 2021

In 2021, Southend Foodbank welcomed 2996 people who had been referred to us, giving food aid to support 8512 people of whom 3934 were children.



THIS WEEK ' S ACTIVITIES

Monday 24th January: 10.00-11.30 Pinocchio 's

14.30 Women's Fellowship

15.00-16.00 open to receive Food Bank donations

Tuesday 25th:10.00 Green FISH Bible study

17.30 Singing

Wednesday 26th: Food Bank open 09.30-11.00 for guests with vouchers to collect goods .

19.00 for 19.30 Zoom prayer meeting

Friday 28th :10.00-11.30 Pinocchio 's

11.30-12.30 open to receive Food Bank donations

18.30-19.30 Friday Club

19.45-21.00 Energise

Next week January 30th at 10.30

Our morning worship service will be led by Rev Jo Hellenbrand

After service refreshments: please add your name to the rota in the vestibule if you can help with these. Milk and biscuits are supplied .Thank you.

In EBC, continue to pray for those who are unwell, in body or spirit, that they may rest in God's care as they receive treatment and support. Thank God for all the services and other events we are able to have in our church, and thank Him for the further plans that He has for His church in Eastwood, as we wait expectantly for our new minister to join us.