Eastwood Baptist Church

Weekly News Update: Sunday 8th May 2022



We welcome you to our morning service which is

being led by our own Rev. Martin Wright

The reading is: Acts 16: 22-38

The theme is: Raised voices in chains

Our afternoon Tea Service is at 15.00 and is also

being led by Martin. Everyone is welcome.

ADVANCE NOTICE Members' Meeting to be held at **12.30 on MAY 22ND** following the morning service .Bring your own lunch if you wish. Teas and coffees will be served.

Thanks to
Christine and Gareth Evans
for today's
beautiful flowers



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

Telephone joining details are:-

0330 088 5830 followed by:

Meeting ID: 894 0385 0127 Passcode: 123456. Meetings open at 19.00 for chat then 19.30 for prayer

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To find out about **room use** please email <u>bookings@eastwoodbaptist.org.uk</u>

See us on our Facebook page too



With the **Queen's Jubilee Celebration** weekend less than a month away we have planned three events to celebrate here in Eastwood. We will be holding a family craft event, a service to watch the celebration service and enjoy some puddings and on the Sunday we will have a celebration service for both the Queen's Jubilee and Pentecost then a bring a share meal afterwards.

More information and **sign-up sheets** are at the back of the Church or contact Martin

Our next **Men's Breakfast** is on **Saturday 14th May;** here at church, at 08.45 for 09.00 when the guest speaker will be Chris Petrou. Please **add your name** to the list in the vestibule or speak to Graham Back. All men welcome.

This Wednesday 11th May from 2pm



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)

This week, as well as your normal thanks and prayers for people and situations, we ask you to pray about these things.

In last week's newsletter, which was printed in advance of Rev Martin's induction and ordination, we asked you **to give**

thanks that it went well. This week, we ask you to reflect, and to give further thanks for the enormity of the event that God made so very special. Continue to **give thanks** for what God has in store for our church as Martin now works in ministry alongside Rev Jo.

Pray about the continuing tragedy in respect of the invasion of Ukraine. You may find the suggested prayer pointers in last week's newsletter of assistance, but there is so much being unfolded each day in the news.

Pray about the continuing increase in the numbers of **refugees elsewhere in the world**, with at the end of last year over 82 million people having fled from their countries.

Pray for all in the world who are being affected by the high increases in provision of energy and foodstuffs, that all of us, but especially those who are already **in poverty**, will be able to cope.

Pray about the plight of God's **persecuted church** in countries around the world. Pray for Christians living under the constant threat or injustice simply because of their faith. Pray also for all Christian refugees, that God will be their refuge and a strong tower, and that they will know His comfort and peace.

Pray about the continuing problems **relating to Covid 19**, that we will all continue to be cautious, as we now live with the disease around us, and that vaccinations will continue to be developed and made available, to limit the spread of the disease and the severity of it, including the effects of long Covid.

In EBC, continue to pray for **everyone in our fellowship**, our families and friends, who are unwell at the moment, in body or spirit, that they may rest in God's care as they receive treatment and support. Pray for the Safe Haven Community Cafe this Wednesday, and 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.





Foodbank News;

Stocks are quite low at the Foodbank. An excellent way of collecting products is through a **supermarket collection**. Please continue to pray for these events, those already held at ASDA in Shoeburyness and If you can **volunteer** to help at <u>Waitrose on 11th June</u> please contact Sharon.

Food stuffs currently required include:

Meat meals

Tinned vegetables

Sponge Puddings, Custard UHT milk



THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Monday 9th May: 10.00-11.30 Pinocchio's

14.30-16.00 Women's Fellowship

15.00-16.00 open to receive Food Bank donations

Tuesday 10th 10.00 Green FISH Bible study

19.30 Blue FISH

Wednesday 11th Food Bank open 09.30-11.00 for guests with vouchers to collect goods.

14.00 Safe Haven Community Cafe

19.00 for 19.30 Wednesday Zoom prayer meeting

Friday 13th: 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

Saturday 14th 08.45 for 09.00 Men's Breakfast

Sunday 15th May 10.30 worship service will be led by

Simon Werrett.

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.

Please save used stamps for RNIB box in vestibule