



Friends

Then Samuel took a stone and set it up between Mizpah and Shen. He named it Ebenezer, saying, "Thus far the Lord has helped us." – 1 Samuel 7:12

There are several places in the Old Testament where the people of God intentionally pause in the midst of things to recognise what God has done for them. A common way of doing this was to set up a stone or a banner that would serve as a sign and reminder to them. Any time someone would see it they would be reminded of what God has done. In the example above we see Samuel doing this following a victory in battle against the Philistines and he called the stone 'Ebenezer' which literally means 'stone of help.'

I think what we do today in church, as we take a pause ever so slightly from our regular rhythm of worship, celebrate as a whole church family and enjoy food and fellowship together, is a way of raising our own 'Ebenezer.' It's an annual event in which we say, 'God has helped us Thus far,' and we trust him to continue to do so. We'll take time in the service to recognise some particular ways God has been good to us.

There are a few things to bring to your attention this week:

Jean Boyd has been busy working on some crafty bits – including some jewellery pieces – and she will be selling these to raise money for youth and children's ministry in the church. You'll be able to see her after the service.

Advance warning that on Sunday 10th October the Manchester Marathon will be taking place and the course comes close to the church. This means that there will be road closures in the area so you may want to plan ahead for your journey to church. More information can be found here: <https://www.manchestermarathon.co.uk/route/road-closure-info/> That morning's church service will also include the dedication of Micah Stanfield.

Speaking of the Marathon, our very own Mark Bolton will be taking part and he is raising money for the Alzheimer's Society. Speak to Mark if you wish to donate.

A reminder that in February (11th-13th) there is a ladies retreat organised by the wider Church of the Nazarene UK South District. Joanne Bolton and Rebecca Rotherham are leading workshops so it would be good to send a representation from the church.

Lastly, I wanted to apologise for not being able to broadcast last week's service online due to technical difficulties. I am pleased to say that this issue has been resolved and we should be back up and running this week as normal.

<https://www.youtube.com/c/BrooklandsChurchoftheNazarene>

Peace,

Mick



Let us run
with endurance
the race God
has set before us.

–Hebrews 12:1



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Church Calendar



MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Date	Event
Wednesday 29 Sep 2021	FoodCycle free community meal at church at 7:00pm
Thursday 30 Sep 2021	Community Café, 11am to 2pm
Sunday 3 October 2021	Morning Service at 10:30am followed by Church Barbecue
Sunday 19 Dec 2021	Church Christmas Banquet and Carol Service (to be confirmed)
11-13 February 2022	Ladies' Weekend - Created to Create



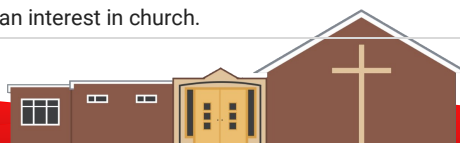
DAILY BIBLE READING AND PRAYER GUIDE

Date	Reading	Pray for
Monday 27th September	2 Corinthians 11	Marion Tewkesbury and family
Tuesday 28th September	2 Corinthians 12-13	John Torkington and Family
Wednesday 29th September	Galatians 1	Julie, Hayley and Family
Thursday 30th September	Galatians 2	Jean and Dave Walker and Family
Friday 1st October	Galatians 3	Carol Wray and family
Saturday 2nd October	Catch up	Norma Whyte and Family
Sunday 3rd October	Galatians 4:1-20	Jean Stockton



PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for Steve and Jean Boyd as they seek to find an appropriate care support package.
- Pray for NTC as the new Academic year begins this week. We pray for the students in our own church community – Lucy, Vivienne, Tim, Cameron, Huw and others that will join us.
- We continue to pray for David Richmond following his move to Bristol for Bible College there.
- Pray for Tom Bolton as he has begun his PCGE at university.
- Pray for Nat Herbert and his extended family, as they mourn the loss of niece Ivy, who passed away last week.
- We give thanks for the safe arrival of Micah Stanfield last week. Continue to pray for Simona, Dean, Mia and the wider family in these days. We rejoice with them.
- We give thanks for the news that Isobel Cave needs no further check-ups with her cancer consultant for 3 months
- Pray for David and Christine's son Philip, and his wife. They live and work in Vietnam, where covid cases are on the rise.
- Continue to pray for Brenda Cawley and family as her granddaughter's partner, Owen is very ill with cancer.
- We continue to pray for John Beattie as he continues with his chemotherapy, and for Ann as she cares for him.
- Continue to pray for Alan Roberts, son-in-law of Val Batty, who has cancer.
- We continue to pray for others in our congregation who need healing. Including, Jon F, Colin Dunbar, Claire.
- Pray for the safety of our church as we continue our journey out of restrictions, and as we plan for the Autumn season.
- Pray for the continuing work of the church in the local community.
- Pray for those we have recently come into contact with, and who are showing an interest in church.



Sunday#26
september

JOIN US FOR A BBQ

Rev Mick Kane

James 5:13-20

Let Prayer be the Foundation of our Wisdom

- 13 Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise.
- 14 Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord.
- 15 And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven.
- 16 Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.
- 17 Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years.
- 18 Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.
- 19 My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back,
- 20 remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.





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