

Brooklands Church Update

Sunday 23 January 2022

Dear Friends

"For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom every family[a] in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen." - Ephesians 3:14-21.

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This prayer will become familiar to you over the next six weeks as we will be using it to begin our worship services. It is part of our new preaching series that begins this morning: 'Deeper.' We are taking the invitation of Scripture to enter into the deeper things of prayer, worship, discipleship, and faith; the deeper things of God; and this prayer captures some of that – "strengthened in your inner being," "may Christ dwell in your heart," "rooted and established in love," "the deep love of Christ." These are exciting days for us as a church and we hope you will join us on this journey.

It is a busy couple of weeks for us as highlighted from our long list of announcements last week:

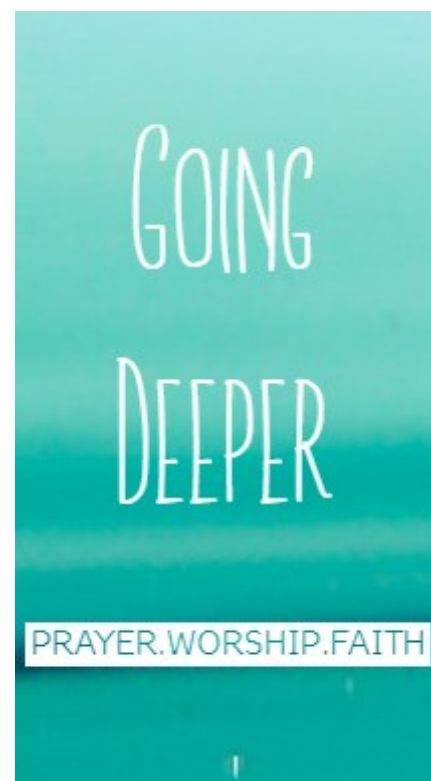
On Saturday (29th January) at 6pm there will be an 'Illustrating Scripture Workshop' here at the church. It costs £3 to cover materials and you can speak to Joanne Bolton if you are interested in attending.

On Sunday (30th January) as part of our morning worship we will be joining with other Nazarene Churches via Zoom to take communion together. Also that morning there will be a special offering for the work of the Church of the Nazarene in Cyprus and Lebanon.

The following weekend (Sunday 6th February) we will be holding our church AGM following the morning service. If you are a church member please make the extra time to come, hear reports and elect the church board for the new year. We are hoping to have the report booklet available for you next Sunday. If you are not a church member you are still welcome to attend but you are not eligible to vote. Please speak to me if you are interested in church membership.

Peace,

Mick



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Church Calendar

This week

Date	Event
Sunday 23 January 2022	Morning worship, 10:30 am, Pastor Mick Kane
Wednesday 26 January 2022	Toddle-In, 10:00 am
Wednesday 26 January 2022	Church Zoom Prayer Meeting , 10:30 am
Wednesday 26 January 2022	FoodCycle free community meal at church at 5:00 pm
Thursday 27 January 2022	Community Café, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm
Thursday 27 January 2022	Bible Study, 2:00 pm at church led by Lucy
28-29 January 2022	Regional weekend of prayer
Saturday 29 January 2022	Illustrating Scripture workshop
Sunday 30 January 2022	Sunday Worship, 10:30 am. Pastor Mick will be our speaker
Sunday 30 January 2022	Communion Service with other Nazarene Churches, 11:30 am

Coming up

Date	Event
Sunday 6 February 2022	Brooklands Church Annual General Meeting, 11:30 am
11-13 February 2022	Ladies' Weekend - Created to Create



Church Prayer and Daily Reading Diary

Monday 24 January 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 19:1–22

Pray for: Lucy Frost

Tuesday 25 January 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 19:23–20:18

Pray for: Margaret Gallagher

Wednesday 26 January 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 21:1–21

Pray for: Bill, Lorraine Graham

Thursday 27 January 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 21:22–34

Pray for: Will Graham

Friday 28 January 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 22

Pray for: Brenda Hambleton and family

Saturday 29 January 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 23

Pray for: Diane Hallam

Sunday 30 January 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 24:1–25

Pray for: Sean and Sharon Harland, and Lisa

Weekend of Prayer and an Opportunity to Give

This coming weekend, we are joining with other Nazarene churches from our district, from the rest of the British Isles, from the rest of Europe, and from parts of Asia, to pray for the church, with emphasis on a couple of situations the Nazarene Church is currently involved with.

Please will you factor this in to your usual prayer routine next Friday and Saturday, or take some extra time out to remember these situations in your prayers.

Next Sunday, there will be an opportunity to give to the works in these areas.

Lebanon: We are all aware of the refugee crisis stimulated by the conflicts in both Iraq and then Syria. Lebanon saw its population doubled from 2 million to 4 million as a result of this, with one in two residents being a refugee! Then came the huge explosion in Beirut in 2020, which, coupled to the impact of Covid has resulted in economic collapse and stimulated tremendous ongoing need. The Church of the Nazarene has a strong and active presence in Lebanon, and so we have an excellent network through which compassionate ministry can take place.

Read about this work here: [A triple crisis](#).

Cyprus: Koinonia Centre: Cyprus is of significant strategic importance because it is one of the only countries on earth where citizens from all the nations of the Middle East, and North Africa, are able to obtain visas and travel to.

Consequently, this centre will enable the training of Pastors and lay leadership, leadership gatherings, retreats, and as an emergency refuge facility for any Christians that need to swiftly exit their country of ministry as a result of persecution and threat to life.

Church Prayers:

- ✚ Continue to pray for John and Anne Beattie as John's palliative care for cancer continues.
- ✚ Pray for the family of Edward Stewart, brother in law to Brenda Hambleton as well as grandfather to Macie, as his funeral takes place this week. Pray for Pastor Mick as he leads this.
- ✚ Pray for others who continue to need healing in these days: Isobel Cave, Jon Fisher, Viv Best and others.
- ✚ Pray for David and Chris Hoolihan's son Philip, in Vietnam, and for his wife, Hua also.
- ✚ We pray for healing for Marie Vickers, family to David and Chris through marriage.
- ✚ Pray for continued healing for Clare Bolton, following an operation before Christmas.
- ✚ Pray for the continued work of the Church here in the community of Brooklands, Wythenshawe as new faces continue to engage with us in a number of ways.

Sunday 23 January 2022

Pastor Mick Kane

Deeper

Isaiah 54

1 “Sing, barren woman, you who never bore a child; burst into song, shout for joy, you who were never in labour; because more are the children of the desolate woman than of her who has a husband,” says the Lord.

2 “Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes.

3 For you will spread out to the right and to the left; your descendants will dispossess nations and settle in their desolate cities.

4 “Do not be afraid; you will not be put to shame. Do not fear disgrace; you will not be humiliated. You will forget the shame of your youth and remember no more the reproach of your widowhood.

5 For your Maker is your husband—the Lord Almighty is his name—the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer; he is called the God of all the earth.

6 The Lord will call you back as if you were a wife deserted and distressed in spirit—a wife who married young, only to be rejected,” says your God.

7 “For a brief moment I abandoned you, but with deep compassion I will bring you back.

8 In a surge of anger I hid my face from you for a moment, but with everlasting kindness I will have compassion on you,” says the Lord your Redeemer.

9 “To me this is like the days of Noah, when I swore that the waters of Noah would never again cover the earth. So now I have sworn not to be angry with you, never to rebuke you again.

10 Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed,” says the Lord, who has compassion on you.

11 “Afflicted city, lashed by storms and not comforted, I will rebuild you with stones of turquoise, your foundations with lapis lazuli.

12 I will make your battlements of rubies, your gates of sparkling jewels, and all your walls of precious stones.

13 All your children will be taught by the Lord, and great will be their peace.

14 In righteousness you will be established: Tyranny will be far from you; you will have nothing to fear. Terror will be far removed; it will not come near you.

15 If anyone does attack you, it will not be my doing; whoever attacks you will surrender to you.

16 “See, it is I who created the blacksmith who fans the coals into flame and forges a weapon fit for its work. And it is I who have created the destroyer to wreak havoc;

17 no weapon forged against you will prevail, and you will refute every tongue that accuses you. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and this is their vindication from me,” declares the Lord.

من طلوع الشمس إلى المكان
الذي تغرب فيه

“from the *rising*
of the sun,
to the place
where it *sets*.”

24 hours of PRAYER 

Beginning 28 Jan 2022 at 8pm (GMT)

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

24 ساعة من
الصلاة 

بدءًا من 28 يناير 2022 الساعة 8 مساءً (بتوقيت جرينتش)

সূর্য উদিত হওয়া স্থান
থেকে অস্ত যাওয়ার পর্যন্ত।

২৪ ঘণ্টার
প্রার্থনা 

২৮ শে জানুয়ারী ২০২২ রাত ৮.০০ টায় (GMT) থেকে শুরু হচ্ছে

"От восхода солнца
до того места, где
оно заходит"

24 ЧАСА МОЛИТВЫ 

Начало 28 января 2022 года в 8 вечера (по Гринвичу)

28 January 2022—24 hours of prayer

The Eurasia Region of the church is asking Nazarenes across the Eurasia Region to join in 24hrs of prayer to start the year, seeking the Lord!

On January 28, 2022, there will be approximately 22 hours of daylight across the region. Prayer will start a hour before the sun rises on Eastern Russia and stop a hour after the sun sets on the Azores.

Please help us spread the word. Local churches, districts and groups will arrange their own 24hr prayer teams. We will all be praying together as the sun rises in the east of our region on January 30th until it sets on the west of our region. What an amazing day of seeking the Lord together it will be.

<https://www.eurasiaregion.org/resources/24-hours-prayer/>



**BRITISH ISLES
SOUTH DISTRICT**

You are invited to join us for a District

COMMUNION SERVICE

**with special Nazarene Compassionate
Ministries (NCM) emphasis on Lebanon and to
hear about the ministry centre to support the
Middle East in Cyprus**

Sunday 30th January at 11:30am*

During the service, there will be special presentations and an opportunity to give an offering to support the NCM work in Lebanon where there is a severe economic crisis due to Covid, the refugee crisis and the explosion in Beirut a year ago - and the ministry centre in Cyprus.

*Churches will join live from their morning services.

