

Brooklands Church Update

Sunday 13 February 2022

Dear Friends

"Brothers and sisters, choose seven people from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them..." – Acts 6:3.

It has been a practice of the church since its inception to appoint people from within to help carry the burden of leadership. We see above from the example found in Acts that those chosen were known to be 'full of the Spirit and wisdom.' Last Sunday at our Annual General Meeting we fulfilled this practice in many ways by electing people from our congregation to serve on the church board. These people I believe to be 'full of the Spirit and wisdom.' They serve an important role and it is important that we as a church take time to cover them in prayer:

- Jack Bolton
- Mark Bolton
- Steve Boyd
- Bill Graham
- Mark Rotheram
- Dean Stanfield
- Simona Stanfield
- Sheila Strong

This morning we continue our series, 'Deeper' and Lucy will be preaching on the text we have been praying together at the start of our worship services – Ephesians 3:14-21. Remember that our prayer is that this becomes more than a preaching series and that we explore ways to take the invitation of the Scripture to go deeper in our faith – both as individuals and as a church. One way is through committing to prayer. We currently meet for prayer every Wednesday morning on Zoom. If you would like to join us the details can be found below in this update.

Other ways we can deepen our faith is through service to the church and study of the Word of God. If you would be interested in finding a place to minister in the church – public ministry as part of Sunday services, welcoming team, serving tea and coffee, our community ministries – or if you would be interesting in being part of a conversation about bible study groups in the church then please let me know. We are hoping to launch some of these initiatives later in the year.

Peace,

Mick

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Church Calendar

This week

Date	Event
Sunday 13 February 2022	Sunday Worship, 10:30 am. Lucy is our speaker this morning
Wednesday 16 February 2022	Toddle-In, 10:00 am
Wednesday 16 February 2022	Church Zoom Prayer Meeting , 10:30 am
Wednesday 16 February 2022	FoodCycle free community meal at church at 5:00 pm
Thursday 17 February 2022	Community Café, 11:00 am to 2:00 pm
Thursday 17 February 2022	Bible Study, 2:00 pm at church led by Lucy
Sunday 20 February 2022	Sunday Worship, 10:30 am. Pastor Mick will be our speaker

Coming up

Date	Event
11-12 March 2022	British Isles South District Assembly, Dukinfield

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

JAMES 1:17

Church Prayer and Daily Reading Diary

Monday 14 February 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 31:34–55

Pray for: Myra O'Hara and family

Tuesday 15 February 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 32

Pray for: Michael Okechukwa and family

Wednesday 16 February 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 33

Pray for: John and Vera Packard

Thursday 17 February 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 34

Pray for: Sandra and Mike Pitt

Friday 18 February 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 35:1–15

Pray for: Grant and Crys Pettitt

Saturday 19 February 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 35:16–29

Pray for: Fay Powell

Sunday 20 February 2022

Bible reading: Genesis 36:1–18

Pray for: Cameron Preece

British Isles South District Assembly

A reminder that the church is holding its District Assembly on Friday 11 March and Saturday 12 March 2022, at St. John's Church in Dukinfield. This is the equivalent of our church Annual General Meeting, but it is for most of the Nazarene churches in England and Wales. Churches will be sending delegates to attend the event.

If you could offer accommodation to delegates for one night—Friday 11 March—please let Pastor Mick or Mark Bolton know, and whether this would be for a single person or a married couple.

Church Prayers

- ✚ Last year we prayed for Val Batty's son-in law, Alan who was diagnosed with cancer. Val was pleased to report that at his last scan there had been a huge reduction in the cancer! We give thanks for answered prayer.
- ✚ Continue to pray for the Strong family. Terry's mother is no longer critical following the stroke but she is experiencing life changing effects from it. Terry will remain with her for some time. Continue to pray also for Sheila's niece, Ashley, recovering from lung replacement surgery.
- ✚ Pray for Pastor Mick's family. Mick's dad, also Mick, has received a prognosis of 6 months to a year. Also, Mick's step-dad, Jim was diagnosed with lung cancer and is undergoing tests investigating the spread of the cancer. The outlook for Jim is also not good.
- ✚ Pray for Pastor Lucy as she will be interviewed soon for her District Minister's Licence. This is the next step in the process of ministry for Lucy. May the interview panel realise of Lucy what we already know – She has been called and is being equipped for ministry!
- ✚ Pray for the family of Pastor Jim Fugard, of Lurgan Church of the Nazarene, who sadly died last week following a long time in hospital. Jim was Pastor Karl's best man at his and Ingrid's wedding. Pray for them too as they mourn the loss of a friend.
- ✚ Pray for the newly elected church board.
- ✚ Continue to pray for Lisa. As we go to press, Lisa's baby is expected at any moment. Pray for a safe delivery.
- ✚ Pray for Siggy who injured her arm whilst in America. We give thanks she is home and pray for a full recovery.
- ✚ We continue to pray for David Cosgriff Snr. David is recovering at home which the family are very grateful for but he continues to need our prayers.
- ✚ Continue to pray for John and Anne Beattie as John's palliative care for cancer continues.
- ✚ Pray for others who continue to need healing and comfort in these days: Isobel Cave, Jon Fisher, Viv Best, Nathaniel Herbert 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 though marriage.
- ✚ 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 13 February 2022

Pastor Lucy Frost

Deeper 4

Ephesians 3:14-21

¹⁴ For this reason I kneel before the Father, ¹⁵ from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. ¹⁶ I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, ¹⁷ so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, ¹⁸ 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, ¹⁹ and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

²⁰ 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, ²¹ to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.