

January



Brooklands Church

NEWSLETTER

8 January 2023

"I am no longer my own, but yours. Put me to what you will, place me with whom you will. Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let me be put to work for you or set aside for you, Praised for you or criticized for you. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and fully surrender all things to your glory and service.

And now, O wonderful and holy God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, you are mine, and I am yours. So be it.

And the covenant which I have made on earth, Let it also be made in heaven. Amen."

As we are now very much in the throes of this New Year I am inviting us to begin our times of worship during the rest of January by saying this famous prayer known as the Wesleyan Covenant Prayer. As some of you will no doubt be aware, the heritage of the Church of the Nazarene has strong connections with the ministry of John Wesley and the movements which were inspired by his teachings. This prayer captures an important aspect of our 'corner' of the Christian faith – A whole life given to the work of Christ i.e. sanctification.

It is a prayer that is often used in other Wesleyan movements at the beginning of the year the world over. Please take some time to read and study it – it is not a prayer to be taken lightly! But we very much believe that when our whole lives are given to Christ, we are in the best position to enter into the fullness of life that is promised, no matter what comes our way in 2023!

Please be in prayer for the Church Board. January has become an important time of prayer and vision casting for us. Many of the things we prayed for last January came to fruition!

I find myself returning to my desk after a restful time off. Rhythms in the church are coming back to life and we will do all we can to keep you updated with everything going on in the weeks to come. God really blessed us as a church in 2022 and our prayer is that this is only the beginning of everything he has in store for us in these days.

Peace,

Mick

Daily Readings and Prayers

Date	Bible Reading	Pray For
Mon 9 Jan 2023	Matthew 7:7–29	Natalino and Siye Spinaci, Elijah and Ethan
Tue 10 Jan 2023	Matthew 8	Dean and Simona Stanfield, and Mia and Micah
Wed 11 Jan 2023	Matthew 9:1–26	Karl and Ingrid Stanfield
Thu 12 Jan 2023	Matthew 9:27–10:15	Sheila and Terry Strong and Family
Fri 13 Jan 2023	Matthew 10:16–42	Marion Tewksbury
Sat 14 Jan 2023	Catch UpDay	John Torkington and Cath
Sun 15 Jan 2023	Matthew 11:1–19	Jean and David Walker

This Week at Brooklands

Date	Event
Sun 8 Jan 2023 10:30am	Sunday Worship, Lauren McGillivray
Wed 11 Jan 2023 10:00am	Toddle-In
Wed 11 Jan 2023 05:00pm	FoodCycle free community meal
Thu 12 Jan 2023 11:00am	Winter Warmer (Community Café)
Sat 14 Jan 2023 09:30am	Prayer Breakfast in church sanctuary
Sun 15 Jan 2023 10:30am	Morning Service, Mick Kane

Prayer Points

- Pray for Anna Holme following a diagnosis of pancreatic cancer.
- Give thanks that Bill Graham's cataract surgery has been completed. Pray for full healing. Remember also Lorraine in your prayers.
- Continue to pray for Lyla, the granddaughter of David and Chris Hoolihan. Lyla has been unwell for a number of weeks now.
- Pray for Peter Grady this week, as he undergoes a procedure to remove prostate cancer.

Please pass on your prayer requests, answers to prayer, and prayer updates to Mick, Lucy, Lauren or Mark. We will include them in this weekly newsletter.

This Week's Message - Lauren McGillivray

Matthew 8:23-27

23 Then he got into the boat and his disciples followed him.

24 Suddenly a furious storm came up on the lake, so that the waves swept over the boat. But Jesus was sleeping. 25 The disciples went and woke him, saying, "Lord, save us! We're going to drown!"

26 He replied, "You of little faith, why are you so afraid?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm.

27 The men were amazed and asked, "What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!"

Church Notices

- The Prayer Breakfast is next Saturday, 14 January 2023, at 9:30am in the church sanctuary. The church hall and kitchen are booked out for a children's party from 10am, so please will attenders of the prayer breakfast try not to make too much noise, so as not to disrupt the kids party. Your cooperati9on is appreciated.
- CHURCH LADIES' WEEKEND. Click the graphic below for the booking form.



British Isles South District

Ladies' Weekend

THRIVE

living life to the full - John 10:10

Join us as we consider the many ways
in which we can THRIVE in every day life
- mentally, spiritually, physically & relationally

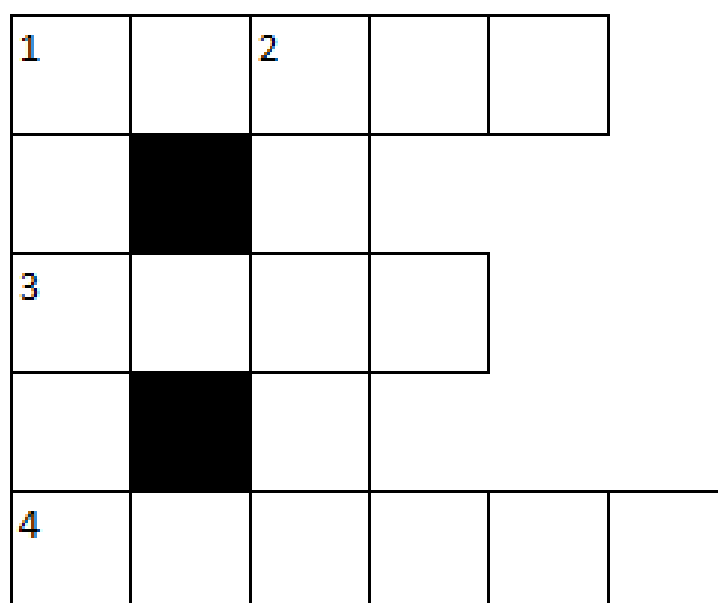
24th - 26th February 2023
Kings Park Conference Centre, Northampton

Cost £165 (plus single person
supplement if requested)

For booking form please see bit.ly/BISDLadies23

Quiz Page

Here's a very easy crossword with a New Year theme for you to have a go at solving. First correct solution wins a free annual subscription to our church newsletter. Answers to info@brooklandschurch.uk.



Across

1. 23 is one
3. His son wrote book 23
4. Day 23 of 23

Down

1. Our favourite is 23
2. NT book 23