

BROOKLANDS CHURCH

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As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him; for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust. The life of mortals is like grass, they flourish like a flower of the field, 16 the wind blows over it and it is gone, and its place remembers it no more.

Psalm 103: 13-16

Dear Friends

If you've had a chance to read my pastor's report for the upcoming AGM then you may have noticed I have used some of Psalm 103 to structure it. Psalm 103 is one of my favourite parts in all the Scriptures and I often find myself returning to it. Do you have a favourite text you return to? It's worth considering this.

My pastor's report can be found in the AGM booklet which is available now ahead of next week's AGM (see the link above or pick up a hard copy from the foyer of the church) which will take place after church. We will receive most of the reports as read so please take time to read through them.

This week we are bringing our sermon series to a conclusion. We have been pondering the thought of, 'finding God in Unexpected Places.' Next week we begin our journey to the cross as Lent begins!

We are still looking for church members who may be available to attend the District Assembly as lay delegates. The District Assembly will take place on 10th and 11th of March at St. John's Church in Dukinfield. There are worship services in the evening that everyone is welcome to attend.

Some folks have been asking me about baptism and church membership. If you would like to discuss any of these with me then please let me know

Peace,

Mick

Sermon - Mick Kane Finding God in Unexpected Places Matthew 16:13-20

13 When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?"

14 They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

15 "But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?"

16 Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."

17 Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. 18 And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." 20 Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Daily Readings and Prayers				
Date	Bible Reading	Pray For		
Mon 20 Feb 2023	Mark 1:21-45	Charmaine Hamnett		
Tue 21 Feb 2023	Mark 2	Sean and Sharron Harland		
Wed 22 Feb 2023	Mark 3:1-21	Ron and Jenny Hearne		
Thu 23 Feb 2023	Mark 3:22-4:9	Nathaniel Herbert		
Fri 24 Feb 2023	Mark 4:10-41	Pete and Babs Hewitt		
Sat 25 Feb 2023	Catch up day	Anna Holme		
Sun 26 Feb 2023	Mark 5:1-20	David and Christine Hoolihan		

Prayer Focus

- Pray for the Church AGM on Sunday 26th February. This is an important time of accountability, celebration and vision casting.
- Pray for Nathaniel Herbert following the death of his sister Inez last week.
- Pray for Anna Holme, as she continues to feel very poorly. She is waiting for the results of another blood test before a treatment plan can be discussed.
- Pray for Ron and Jenny Hearne. Jenny has been moved into a nursing home and is devastated to be apart from Ron. Ron is currently struggling with back pain too.
- 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.

 David and Chris give thanks for improvements in Lyla's health recently.
- Peter Grady's surgery to remove cancer in his prostate was successful. He is recovering at home and very grateful for the prayers of his church family.

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.



Church Calendar

This week

Date	Time	Event
Sun 19 Feb 2023	10:30 AM	Sunday Worship, Mick Kane
Wed 22 Feb 2023	10:00 AM	NO TODDLE IN THIS WEEK
Wed 22 Feb 2023	10:30 AM	Prayer meeting on Zoom
Wed 22 Feb 2023	5:00 PM	FoodCycle free community meal
Thu 23 Feb 2023	11:00 AM	Winter Warmer (Community Café)
Thu 23 Feb 2023	7:30 PM	Manchester Gospel Choir rehearsal
Sun 26 Feb 2023	10:30 AM	Sunday Worship, Mick Kane
Sun 26 Feb 2023	12:00 PM	Church Annual General Meeting

Looking Ahead

Date	Time	
24-26 Feb 2023	12:00 PM	Thrive Ladies Weekend
Sat 4 Mar 2023	All day	Our Daily Bread Conference (on hold)
Wed 8 Mar 2023	7:00 PM	Point Loma Singers at NTC
10-11 Mar 2023		District Assembly in Dukinfield

Syria Earthquake Appeal

Some of you have been asking about giving in response to the devastating earthquake which took place in Turkey, Syria and Lebanon on 6th February. There is a link to support the work of the Church of the Nazarene responding in Syria, where we have the largest church presence in that region so please use this if you feel you are able to give to that cause: www.ncm.org/syria. All monies donated make it to the frontline response of the church there. If you would like to give cash then please place this in an envelope clearly marked for this and give as part of the regular offering. We

