

# BROOKLANDS CHURCH

Loving, Growing, Serving

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All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness.

— 2 Timothy 3:16

This week takes us back to our summer series, '3:16,' following a break due to the family service last Sunday. As we come to 2 Timothy 3:16 you may ask this question: can a statement in Scripture about Scripture be trusted?

The Bible, the Word of God, the Holy Scriptures, or whichever title of authority you prefer, features a lot in the Church. It is cited in the hymns and songs we sing; it is referred to in prayer; we encourage regular engagement in our homes and individual lives; teaching from it serves as the climactic act of our worship almost every Sunday. So much of who we are and what we do as Christians finds its justification in the Bible. But why? This is a healthy question for us to reflect on.

Our Toddle-In team finished up this week as the school term finished for the summer. We want to say a huge thank you to Sandra Pitt and the team for all their hard work in this important ministry. They even met as a team for an extra week to clean the toys!

Speaking of the school summer holidays, our Café and Pantry team launched the summer meal packs for local families of school children. The café was alive this week with many new and returning faces. Please continue to pray for this important ministry meeting a very real need in the local community.

I know that it is only the start of the summer holidays for many but I wanted to mention some things coming up in the future. On Bank Holiday Monday, 28th August, we will be meeting in Wythenshawe Park for a church family picnic brunch and time of fellowship. We will announce more details about this closer to the time but please put this in your diaries for now.

We are looking to start a new midweek (evening) discipleship group/Bible Study in September. If you would be interested in this please speak to Pastor Mick so that we can determine the best day and location for this to meet.

As mentioned previously, if anyone is interested in exploring church membership or baptism please speak to Pastor Mick.

Peace,

Mick

## WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 30 JULY 2023

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sunday 30 July 2023	10:30 AM	Sunday Worship Speaker: Mick Kane
Tuesday 1 August 2023	10:00 AM	Computer Support Session Help with smart phones, laptops, computers, tablets etc.
	12:00 PM	Computer Drop In Session Pop in to the church back hall for help with computer related issues
Wednesday 2 August 2023	10:30 AM	Zoom Wednesday prayer meeting
	5:00 PM	FoodCycle Free meal, all welcome
Thursday 3 August 2023	11:00 AM	Community Café See Pastor Lucy for information
	2:00 PM	Bible Study at church See Pastor Lucy for information
	7:30 PM	Manchester Gospel Choir rehearsal See Christine Hoolihan for information
Sunday 6 August 2023	10:30 AM	Sunday Worship Speaker: Mick Kane

## COMING UP

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wednesday 16 August 2023	12:00 AM	Nazarene Breakthru Holiday 16 to 20 August 2023
Saturday 19 August 2023	9:30 AM	Prayer Breakfast See Jon Fisher for information
Monday 28 August 2023	12:00 PM	Picnic in the Park See Pastor Lauren for information

## READINGS AND PRAYERS

DATE	BIBLE READING	PRAY FOR
Mon 31 July 2023	Acts 23:23–35	Anna Holme
Tues 1 August 2023	Acts 24	David and Christine Hoolihan
Weds 2 August 2023	Acts 25	Gladys Hoolihan
Thurs 3 August 2023	Acts 26	Pauline Howells
Fri 4 August 2023	Acts 27:1–38	Sebi and Claudia Ianos
Sat 5 August 2023	Catch Up	Tim and Alison Ingram
Sun 6 August 2023	Acts 27:39–28:10	Josh and Molly Jenkinson, Miley, Jonah, Ezra and baby Noah

### 30 JULY 2023 – 2 TIMOTHY 3:10–17 PASTOR MICK

10 You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, 11 persecutions, sufferings—what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. 12 In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, 13 while evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. 14 But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, 15 and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. 16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, 17 so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

## CHURCH PRAYERS

- Pray for Rebekah McLachlan, 8, who is in Manchester from Glasgow for the summer to receive treatment in the Christie Hospital following the removal of a brain tumour recently. Pray for the whole family – Bryan, Dawn and little sister Eilidh, who are with us as a church during this time.
- Pray for Isobel Cave who is in hospital with Pneumonia. Pray for healing in her lungs and for her to be returned home soon.
- Pray for Pete Hewitt as he recovers following knee replacement surgery.
- Gert's grandson, Zayann, was back in hospital last week after picking up an infection. Zayann was only recently home from hospital after being born prematurely. Pray for him, Gert, Melissa and the whole family.
- Pray for all in the church who have experienced loss recently.
- Pray for Sue Cooley who has had a flare up of heart problems.
- Pray for Fatima Alkandaari who has a number of ongoing health concerns.
- Please pray for Veronica and Trevor, a couple who are close friends of Steve and Jean Boyd. They have both been diagnosed with tumours in the brain recently.
- Pray for Sue Cooley's sister, Linda, who has a number of prayer needs related to health at the moment. We praise God that we have already seen answer to prayer in Linda's life these past weeks.
- Pray for Anna Holme as she continues in her chemotherapy. Pray that she will remain well during the treatment and that it will work well to contain her cancer. UPDATE: Anna's most recent scan showed no change in cancer levels (which is good news!) but continues to need our prayers.
- Pray for Ava Marshall who is 6 years old and has leukaemia.
- Also pray for Olivia, aged 4, who has also recently been diagnosed with leukaemia, and is undergoing a course of chemotherapy.
- Pray for baby Freddie who is needing an urgent heart replacement.
- Pray for Ron and Jenny Hearne. Jenny is now in a care home and doing much better. She would very much welcome visitors – speak to pastor Mick, pastor Lucy or Margaret Webb if you would like to. Ron's hernia operation was postponed due to other health complications. Please continue to pray for him.
- Pray for Jean Walker's sister - Barbara Edwards, in Germany, who recently suffered from a stroke.
- Continue to pray for Marie Vickers, a family member of David and Chris Hoolihan. Marie has cancer and needs prayers for healing.
- Pray for a friend of the church, Sandra, who attends the digital inclusion sessions. She is having investigations for a possible recurrence of cancer.