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BROOKLANDS CHURCH



BUT THEY THAT WAIT UPON THE LORD SHALL RENEW THEIR STRENGTH; THEY SHALL MOUNT UP WITH WINGS AS EAGLES; THEY SHALL RUN, AND NOT BE WEARY; AND THEY SHALL WALK, AND NOT FAINT.



ISAIAH 40:31 KJV

Dear friends.

Pastor Mick, Debbie and Mikey are enjoying a well deserved holiday. We pray they have a wonderful, relaxing time. Our church secretary is away also, and this update covers the next two weeks.

This week's sermon focuses on Isaiah 40. Isaiah was an Old Testament prophet, writing some seven hundred or so years before Jesus. In this passage he speaks of God's power and loving care for us. We'll be exploring how this fits within the bigger Biblical story and what it reveals about Jesus our Messiah.

A reminder that on Bank Holiday Monday, 28th August we will meet at Wythenshawe Park for a time of fun and fellowship. The aim is to meet by the Oliver Cromwell statue from 11am onwards. Please bring food so we can enjoy a picnic together. This is near the play area for the children to enjoy. You may also want to bring any sports equipment and outdoor games as well as some blankets, towels or folding chairs for comfort.

Pastor Mick is starting a new evening Bible study in September. If you're looking to deepen your understanding this is the perfect opportunity. We will update you on dates and times soon.

Finally, we were sad to hear this week about the passing of our oldest church member Maud Batchelor. Maud had been frail for some time and had not been able to come to church, but was still very much part of our family. We will release funeral details once we get them. Please pray for her family at this time.

Grace and peace,

READINGS AND PRAYERS

DATE	BIBLE READING	PRAY FOR
Mon 21 August	Romans 11:1-24	Karina Phillips, and Kiyarah
Tues 22 August	Romans 11:25-12:21	Sandra Pitt
Weds 23 August	Romans 13:1-14:12	Fay Powell
Thurs 24 August	Romans 14:13-15:7	Cameron Preece
Fri 25 August	Romans 15:8-33	Matthew and Charlotte Purvis, and Joshua
Sat 26 August	Catch Up	Adriana Richmond, Rebecca, David, Joseph and Pete
Sun 27 August	Romans 16	Mark and Rebecca Rotherham, Charlie and Laney
Mon 28 August	1 Corinthians 1	Majid Saadouni
Tues 29 August	1 Corinthians 2	Nick and Ada Savu, and Joshua
Weds 30 August	1 Corinthians 3	Gert Schwartz
Thurs 31 August	1 Corinthians 4-5	Claire and Terry Silverwood, Liam, Sophia, Chloe and grandson Noah
Fri 1 September	1 Corinthians 6:1- 7:16	Nate and Siye Spinaci, Elijah and Ethan
Sat 2 September	Catch Up	Dean and Simona Stanfield, Mia and Micah
Sun 3 September	1 Corinthians 7:17- 40	Karl and Ingrid Stanfield

WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 20 AUGUST 2023

TIME	EVENT DETAILS	EVENT
Sunday 20 August 2023	10:30 AM	Sunday Worship Speaker: Lucy Frost
Wednesday 23 August 2023	10:30 AM	Weekly prayer meeting Individual prayer during August
	5:00 PM	FoodCycle Free meal, all welcome
Thursday 24 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 27 August 2023	10:30 AM	Sunday Worship Speaker: Karl Stanfield
Monday 28 August 2023	11:00 AM	Picnic in the Park See Pastor Lauren for information
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Sunday 3 September 2023	10:30 AM	Sunday Worship Speaker: Mick Kane

CHURCH PRAYERS

- Continue to pray for Rebekah McLachlan, 8, who was with us recently
 whilst she received treatment in the Christie Hospital following the
 removal of a brain tumour. Pray also for Bryan, Dawn and little sister Eilidh,
 now all back home as a family, in Glasgow.
- We continue to pray for Isobel. She remains in hospital having fluid drained from her lungs. Visitors are most welcome- please speak to Pastor Lucy for details or if you need a lift.
- Pray for the family of Maud Batchelor as they mourn her loss and organise the funeral.
- Pray for Bill and Sue Ellis who still have bad colds.
- Pray for Peter White as he settles into his new home.
- Pray for Esther, Siggy's daughter, who has recently been diagnosed with breast cancer.
- Please pray for Claire Silverwood, who starts a new job in September.
- Pray for Fatima Alkandaari who has a number of ongoing health concerns.
- Pray for Majid Sadouini who is currently based in Stalybridge and facing a number of challenges.
- 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 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.
- A new prayer request for a little girl called Rosie. Rosie has a chronic digestive problem causing severe pain and weight loss.
- 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. Ron continues to struggle with various health issues and his most recent surgery for a hernia was cancelled again!
 Pray for a way forward here and for peace for both Ron and Jenny as they wait.
- 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 John Reavey, a neighbour of Jean Walker. John is in hospital suffering from an inoperable brain tumour.
- Give thanks that Norma has had adaptations installed in her home which will hopefully allow for more mobility. Pray for carers and family as they learn to use these with Norma safely. Norma's prayer is that she would be able to attend church again sometime soon.