

Brooklands Church

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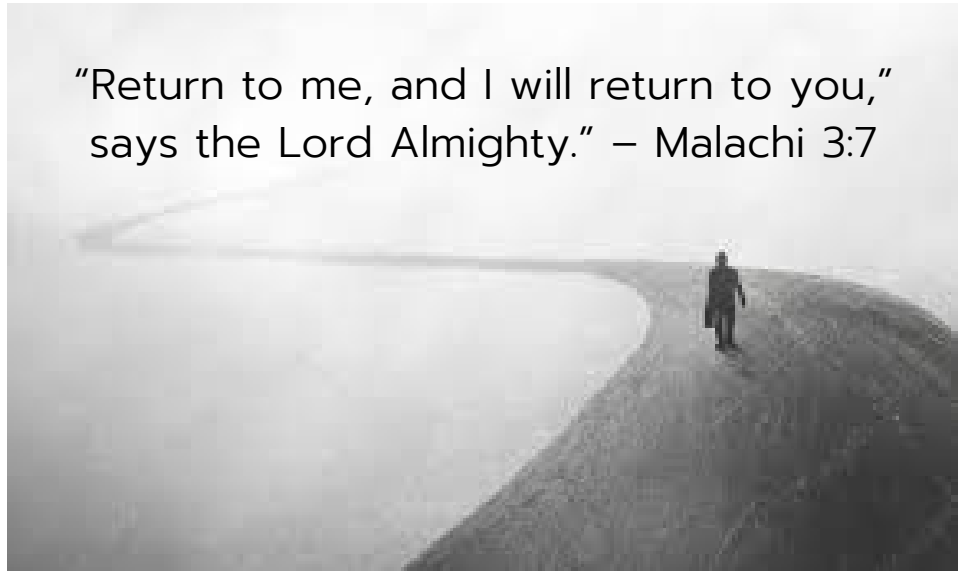
MALACHI 3:6-12

With Pastor Mick Kane

21 January 2024

10:30-11:30am

"Return to me, and I will return to you,"
says the Lord Almighty." – Malachi 3:7



This morning we conclude our series in the Minor Prophets. What started as an attempt to engage with the Old Testament more regularly in my sermons has served as one of the most profound preaching journeys I have ever been on. I hope that you have been as moved by these tests as I have. Above all, I love how in the midst of all the chaos, all the judgement, all the violence, all the falling short of God's will, is a consistent echo of hope in the form of grace which beckons us back to God – no matter how far we find ourselves from him.

For those who are interested in church membership, I am holding a brief conversation at the end of this morning's service at the front of the sanctuary. Please join me if that includes you. We are hoping to welcome new members into our fellowship as part of our worship next Sunday.

A key date for your diary – Saturday afternoon of the 16th March. On this Saturday we have booked Didsbury Golf Club for a church family meal together to celebrate our 60 years as a church family. As part of the gathering we have hired a children's entertainer and something for the adults as well. Tickets will be £15 for adults and children can come for free. We will be announcing how to confirm your place at this in the coming weeks. It is set to be a wonderful day together so do not miss out!

Peace,

Mick

Daily Readings and Prayers

DATE	READING	PRAY FOR
Mon 22 Jan 2024	Matthew 9:35–11:19	Sean and Sharron Harland
Tues 23 Jan 2024	Matthew 11:20–30	Ron and Jenny Hearne
Weds 24 Jan 2024	Matthew 12:1–14	Nathaniel Herbert
Thurs 25 Jan 2024	Matthew 12:15–37	Pete and Babs Hewitt
Fri 26 Jan 2024	Matthew 12:38–13:23	Anna Holme
Sat 27 Jan 2024	Catch Up	David and Christine Hoolihan
Sun 28 Jan 2024	Matthew 13:24–35	Gladys Hoolihan

Sunday 21 January 2024

Malachi 3:6-12 - Pastor Mick

6 “I the Lord do not change. So you, the descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed. 7 Ever since the time of your ancestors you have turned away from my decrees and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you,” says the Lord Almighty. “But you ask, ‘How are we to return?’

8 “Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me. “But you ask, ‘How are we robbing you?’ “In tithes and offerings. 9 You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me. 10 Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it. 11 I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe,” says the Lord Almighty. 12 “Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land,” says the Lord Almighty.

Church Calendar - This Week

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Sunday 21 January 2024	10:30 AM	Sunday Worship
	2:00 PM	Grace Church
Monday 22 January 2024	6:00 PM	Brooklands Brownies and Guides
Tuesday 23 January 2024	10:00 AM	Computer Support Session
	12:00 PM	Computer Drop In Session
	7:00 PM	Bible Study at church
Wednesday 24 January 2024	10:00 AM	Toddle In
	10:30 AM	Weekly Zoom prayer meeting
	5:00 PM	FoodCycle
Thursday 25 January 2024	11:00 AM	Community Café and Food Pantry
	2:00 PM	Bible Study at church
	4:00 PM	Private Tutoring Sessions
	6:00 PM	Brooklands Brownies and Guides
Saturday 27 January 2024	9:00 AM	Prayer Breakfast
Sunday 28 January 2024	10:30 AM	Sunday Worship

Church Calendar - Looking Ahead

DATE	EVENT
Saturday 16 March 2024	Church 60th Anniversary Meal at Didsbury Golf Club. Details to follow.
30 July 2024 to 3 August 2024	Breakthru - Nazarene Church family holiday. Details to follow

Prayers

- Pray for Ada Savu who is very sick in these days.
- Anna Holme continues to request prayer as she is treated for cancer. She had another procedure this week to remove fluid from her abdomen. She has asked for prayer that she would have improved appetite and energy levels.
- Pray for Gert's grandson Zayann who has been in hospital recently with an infection. We give thanks that his eyes have been investigated and turned out to be healthy.
- Give thanks with Christine Hoolihan who has had good news recently related to health.
- Praise God that the results of Rebekah McLachlan's most recent scan continued to show things as clear. We continue to hold the McLachlan family in prayer in these days.
- We continue to pray for Jean and Steve Boyd. We give thanks Jean has been pain free for a few days.
- Pray for Serena who comes to our café. She is recovering after a mastectomy.
- Pray for Jean and Lucy's friend Sue who has a broken foot and is in hospital awaiting an operation.
- Pray for Shamal, the Husband of Gilly Parrish, who is very unwell at the moment. Pray too for their children Rohan and Ruby as the whole family care for him.
- Pray for little Freddie, as he continues to build his health and strength.
- Pray for Sue Cooley's sister Lynda as she waits for some adaptations in her home.
- Continue to pray for Marie Vickers, a family member of David and Chris Hoolihan. Marie has cancer and needs prayers for healing.
- Claire Silverwood would appreciate prayer for her work situation.

If you have any prayer requests for inclusion in this weekly list, please contact Pastor Mick, Pastor Lucy, Pastor Lauren, or Mark Bolton.