



Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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NewsFlash!

Sunday 10th June 2007

This morning: 10.30 am Morning Worship in the Social Hall

Worship: Katie Johnson; Preacher: David Evans

We offer a warm welcome to all visitors to our worship today

This afternoon: 1.00 pm Afternoon of prayer in the Church

Including Prayer Walk between 2.00 and 3.00

4.00 pm Hour of informal worship in the Church

Monday: 3.00 pm Cream teas at Martin and Katie's home

Midweek: **Freedom in Christ** groups as arranged (week 8)

Wednesday: 9.30 am Coffee Shop in the Social Hall (*until 11.30 am*)

Thursday: 8.00 pm Music Group in the Church

Next Sunday: 9.00 am Open up and set up hall for worship

9.30 am Prayer meeting in the Social Hall

10.30 am Morning Worship in the Social Hall, including communion

Worship: David Evans; Preacher: Ian Johnson

Thought for the Week – from Caroline

Deuteronomy 32:9-12

“...like an eagle that stirs up its nest and hovers over its young ...”

When I got home on Tuesday evening after our “Freedom in Christ” get together I felt quite down because I felt I was a no-good rubbish Christian. I couldn't lead and everybody else did more caring things than I did. I find it hard stepping out and attempting things I feel I am no good at but when I sat down to have a prayer time I read this:

A time when he is training

Think of a time when you became content and settled – having come to know Jesus you were going on in him. You were complacent. And then it happened! Suddenly it was all no more and you were pitched out, wondering why and where you went wrong. When this happens we always wonder what we have done wrong but that is not the issue at all.

I have heard of an illustration about mother eagles. Her little eaglets have been raised in the downy nest she built for them and have

grown up happy little eaglets – until one day, instead of feeding them as usual and bedding them down comfortably for a while, she begins to pull out the down from under their feet so that they are sitting on the thorns and twigs of the nest. They are suddenly not content any more.

They complain, but she goes on uprooting their nest until finally they find themselves pushed out onto a branch in the tree-top with the ground many feet below. And even as they are wobbling there, she pushes them off the edge into space.

They have never flown before. They fall like pellets, not knowing how to flap their wings and fly. Mother eagle watches for a few seconds and then, with a sweep of those huge wings, she is underneath the eaglets, catching them on her wings and returning them to the branch at the top of the tree – only to repeat the process again and again until they learn to fly.

That's what God will do for every single person in the church if they leave their comfort and step out.

Advance Notices

Sunday 24th June: “Steps to Freedom in Christ” Day. There will be a shortened service from **10.30 to 11.15** which will be an opportunity for testimony and sharing. Following this, from 11.30, those taking part in the “Freedom in Christ” courses will stay on in the Social Hall until mid-afternoon. Please bring a packed lunch, drinks will be provided.

Saturday 30th June: Bob McLeod will be visiting us – more details to follow. See www.inthecloud.org.

Saturday 30th June at 7.45 pm: Ian Edgson and Paul Gruet in concert – an evening of Christian Music at St. Andrew's Church, Furnace Green. Claim your free copy of Ian & Paul's new CD, “Sonic Experiments.” Admission free, exit by donation to St. Andrew's new church building fund!

Saturday 7th July at 7.30 pm: Dave Bilbrough in concert at Three Bridges Free Church. Tickets £6. See poster on table or visit www.3bfchurch.co.uk/concert.

Saturday 14th July: Coach Trip to Littlehampton – more information later.

Saturday 21st July at 11.00 am: Broadfield Community Centre Fête.

Saturday 11th – Saturday 18th August: Revive! 2007: “Faith, Hope and Love Remain” – annual Ichthus camp at Ashburnham Place, near Battle, East Sussex. With George Verwer, Derek Brown, Elaine and Alan Storkey, Roger and Faith Forster.