



Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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NewsFlash!

Sunday 15th February 2009

This morning 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall
Worship: Kevin Gordon – Preacher: Nigel Baldwin (Avanti Ministries)

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

Monday 10.45am: Pastoral Group meets at Linda's home
2.00pm: House Group at Connie's home

Tuesday 10.00–12.00am: Football activity morning for primary school children in the Main Hall. Cost £1 – contact Jeremy on Crawley 541275
7.30pm: House Group in the Church Quiet Room

Wednesday 9.30–11.30am: *The Triangle* Coffee Shop in the Social Hall

Thursday 7.30pm: House Group at Sue's home

Friday 5.00–6.00pm: Drop-in hot meal in the Social Hall
9.00pm: Prayer for Street Pastors at Crawley Baptist Church

Next Sunday 9.00am: Open up and set up hall for worship
9.30am: Prayer meeting in the Social Hall
10.00am: Tea and coffee and an opportunity for prayer
10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall
Faith reports – see flip chart

Thought for the Week – from Caroline

Mark 16:15 – And he said to them "As you go into the world proclaim the gospel to everyone."

Jesus didn't mention human rights, not creating offence, diversity of views, intolerance, ethnic minorities, other faiths, etc., He just said tell EVERYONE. If they choose to be angry and offended rather than just disagree, well that is their choice – we are just doing what Jesus asked us to do. I know I make it sound simple when people may well be putting their jobs on the line but that is what we are learning about in house group, stepping out of the boat and taking risk, isn't it? It is hard, but it is where our faith and trust have to "kick in" and I really admire and feel for those Christians who are proclaiming the gospel no matter what.

Jesus is the Way the Truth and the Life (John 14:6); there is no other way. The way is narrow, and you will find it at the end of seeking all other things (Jesus said, "seek me and you will find me") so you are not narrow-minded as people will often accuse you of being, what you have done is find the route (which is narrow) to Heaven rather than stay on the broad path which leads to Hell.

We have read in the papers of two Christian women who have been "hailed over the carpet" for speaking of their faith, Community Nurse Caroline Petrie and Jennie Cain, a primary school receptionist. Dr John Sentamu, the second most senior cleric in the Church of England, says these cases highlight a worrying trend. He also called on the silent majority of Christians to defend their beliefs. "For those who despair at the treatment meted out to these Christian women the message is clear: WAKE UP, CHRISTIAN ENGLAND."

Advance Notices

Tuesday 24th Feb, 6.00–8.00pm: "Flip your own pancake" in the Social Hall, all ages welcome.

Sunday 1st March, 1.00pm: Church social in the Social Hall, food provided.

Wednesday 4th March, 8.00–9.00pm: First of six weekly sessions in the Church based on "Singing in the Rain" by Jeff Lucas, focusing on the last week of the life of Jesus and what this means for us today.

Friday 6th March, 7.30pm: Our CofE friends are holding a Quiz Night at the Black Swan. Is anyone interested in putting together a team of 4-6 people?

Friday 13th–Sunday 15th March: Church Weekend at Oak Hall with Chris & Jennie Orange – see below. Less than one month away!

Saturday 21st March, 11.00am–4.00pm: A worship day for all ages at Crawley Baptist Church with Psalm Drummers. Adults £5, children £3, families £10, booking forms on the table.

Tuesday 24th March, 7.30pm: ROCK, the musical, the story of Simon Peter at the Hawth. Tickets £10 from the Hawth Box Office on Crawley 553636.

Saturday 1st–8th Aug: Revive! 2009 at Ashburnham Place, "Seedtime and Harvest: Bear Much Fruit." Book and pay by **30th April** for a 10% discount.

Change of address: Maggie's new address is (... deleted from on-line version ...)

Please note that CDs of the previous week's sermon are now available – please take one from the table

Church Weekend 2009: Digging the Wells – Living in the Presence of the Lord

Once again this will be at Oak Hall Manor in Otford, Kent, from **13th–15th March 2009**. It will be led by Chris and Jennie Orange and team who oversee worship for Ichthus Christian Fellowship. The guide cost is £75 for adults and £45 for children aged 4-15. If you cannot manage this please consider paying what you would have spent on meals for the weekend.

We have now paid the full fees required by Oak Hall so are encouraging as many as possible to come. You do not have to pay the full amount in advance but we are asking for a deposit of £5 per adult. Please fill in the form below and hand it to Pat or Irma with your payment or a deposit in cash or cheque payable to Broadfield Christian Fellowship.

Name: _____

Number of adults: _____ Number of children aged 4-15: _____ Number of children under 4: _____

Deposit enclosed (£5 per adult): £ _____