

# Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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## NewsFlash!

### Sunday 20th June 2010

**This morning** 10.30am: Morning worship in the Social Hall, including communion  
*Worship: Vivienne Evans; Preacher: David Evans*

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

**Later today** 2.00–5.00pm: *Escape* Youth drop-in in the Youth Hall  
7.00pm: House Group for younger adults at the Wainwright's  
*"Witness for Jesus"*

**Monday** 10.30am–1.00pm: *Monday Munch* Café in the Church Foyer  
2.00pm: House Group at Connie's home  
3.00–5.00pm: Cream Teas in Martin & Katie's garden

**Tuesday** 7.45pm: House Group at Mechelle's home

**Wednesday** 9.30–11.30am: *The Triangle* Coffee Shop in the Social Hall  
10.00–11.00am: Health Walk starting from the recycling centre  
11.30–12.00: Leadership Group prayer in the Church  
12.00–1.00pm: Prayer meeting in the Church Quiet Room

**Friday** 5.00–6.00pm: Friday Meal in the Social Hall

**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  
10.30am: Morning worship in the Social Hall  
*Worship: Kevin Gordon; Preacher: Dave and others*  
2.00–5.00pm: *Escape* Youth drop-in in the Youth Hall  
7.00pm: House Group for younger adults

### Thought for the Week — from Caroline

#### The Amalekite's Claim

Read 2 Samuel 1:1-16.

If you read this without first reading 1 Samuel 31 you may think, "well, that's a bit harsh of David, this Amalekite was only doing an act of kindness to spare Saul further suffering." However, there are two versions because the narrator tells us in 1 Samuel 31 what actually happened and the Amalekite (as David immediately realised) lied. In the Bible Commentary I read it said that David would have seen the holes in his story because it is not likely that Saul would be so isolated in battle, with no armour-bearer or royal contingent at his side, that he had to depend on an Amalekite who accidentally came by to administer the coup de grâce. No, the Amalekite couldn't say he was slithering around like a coward waiting for an opportunity to get the crown and armband from Saul so he could go to David with a tale that would give him honour and possibly a very good position with David. The Amalekite had assumed that, like him, no scruples would stop David from seizing the kingship. The Amalekite was not bothered in stretching out his hand against the anointed (David asks him why not in v14) whereas David had always had the greatest respect for God's anointed. The Amalekite received justice (v15-16) but he is punished for what he said he did even though he didn't do it. God found him in his lie and repaid him in line with his intent.

Somehow we sometimes think that if we have duped man's eyes we have eluded heaven's gaze as well. In Luke 12:2-3 Jesus says "There is nothing covered that won't be uncovered, nothing hidden that won't be made known. Therefore whatever you have said in the dark will be heard in the light, and whatever you have whispered in an ear in private rooms will be proclaimed on the housetops."

*"2 Samuel: Out of Every Adversity" by Dale Ralph Davis helped me with this*

### Diary Dates

**Saturday 31st July – 7th August:** Revive! 2010 – "On Eagles' Wings" – at Ashburnham Place. With Roger and Faith Forster, Mark Bonnington, Wes and Mary Sutton, Patrick Regan, Georg T, Godfrey Birtill and Jonathan Conrathe. Booking forms on the table.