



Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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NewsFlash!

Sunday 3rd May 2026

This morning 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall
Worship: Kevin Gordon
Speaker: Dave Evans, James 2:1-13 Warning Against Favouritism

We offer a warm welcome to all visitors to our worship today
If you would like to know more about us, please ask one of the leaders

Tuesday 7.30pm: Home Group at Ben & Pauline's home

Wednesday 9.15am: Coffee Shop in the Social Hall

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

9.30am: Prayer Meeting

10.00am: Tea & Coffee

10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall

Worship: Viv Evans

Speaker: Caroline Wainwright, James 3:1-12 Taming the Tongue

7.00pm: The Lighthouse Project 95% Prayer at Crawley Community Church

To pray for the 95% of children and young people who have no connection with a local church

Thought for the Week – from Caroline

Why God Allows Pain (*author unknown*)

A man went to a barbershop to have his hair cut and his beard trimmed. As the barber began to work, they began to have a good conversation. They talked about so many things and various subjects. When they eventually touched on the subject of God, the barber said: "I don't believe that God exists."

"Why do you say that?" asked the customer. "Well, you just have to go out in the street to realize that God doesn't exist. Tell me, if God exists, would there be so many sick people? Would there be abandoned children? If God existed, there would be neither suffering nor pain. I can't imagine a loving God who would allow all of these things." The customer thought for a moment, but didn't respond because he didn't want to start an argument. The barber finished his job and the customer left the shop.

Just after he left the barbershop, he saw a man in the street with long, stringy, dirty hair and an untrimmed beard. He looked dirty and unkempt. The customer turned back and entered the barbershop again and he said to the barber: "You know what? Barbers do not exist."

"How can you say that?" asked the surprised barber. "I am here, and I am a barber. And I just worked on you!"

"No!" the customer exclaimed. "Barbers don't exist because if they did, there would be no people with dirty long hair and untrimmed beards, like that man outside."

"Ah, but barbers DO exist! That's what happens when people do not come to me."

"Exactly!" affirmed the customer. "That's the point! God, too, DOES exist! That's what happens when people do not go to Him and don't look to Him for help. That's why there's so much pain and suffering in the world."

Advance Notices

Tuesday 19th May, 7.30pm: Church Meeting at Ben & Pauline's home

Saturday 23rd May, 2.00–5.00pm: The **Jesus March** from Marble Arch to Trafalgar Square, see jesusmarch.org

Saturday 27th June: Broadfield Arts Festival

Saturday 1st–8th August: Revive 2026, **Church on Fire**, bookings open at revivelive.co.uk

Jesus looked at them and said, 'With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.'

(*Matthew 19:26*)