



# Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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## NewsFlash!

### Sunday 10th May 2026

**This morning** 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall  
*Worship: Viv Evans*  
*Speaker: Caroline Wainwright, James 3:1-12 Taming the Tongue*

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*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*

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**This evening** 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*

**Monday** 9.30am: Little Lambs Play & Sing Toddler Group in the Social Hall

**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, including communion

*Worship: Kevin Gordon*

*Speaker: Lawrence, James 3:13-18 Two Kinds of Wisdom*

### Thought for the Week – from Caroline

Psalm 30:5b ...weeping may stay for the night, but rejoicing comes in the morning.

“The psalmist reminds us that the sorrows we face in this life are temporary. As painful as a season may be, it is only a season. Life has twists, turns, ups, and downs, and, although we may suffer through dark nights, morning will come.” (Excerpt from [gotquestions.org](http://gotquestions.org))

I thought originally that Psalm 30:5 was about God's discipline but it is about any human sorrow. Which brings me to the subject of my non-believing brother, my brother who as a young man was very clever, academically successful and very handsome. He is now an 86-year-old victim to Alzheimer's, a shadow of his former self, frightened, aggressive, lost and helpless. I'm sad because we never had a life together but so pleased I visited him in Germany last year, where he's lived for 50-odd years, and before he lost the plot.

Hearing from my sister-in-law yesterday that his decline is now rapid and his aggression worse, I knew this was an answer to my prayers and his death would be a merciful release. I was crying yesterday and begging the Lord to save him and have mercy on my brother. I knew Jesus heard me and I also know Jesus wants that. I also know God can reach my brother in spite of the fact his mind has gone. This thought came into my head; my brother went to university and had a successful career, went to the Falkland Islands at 20 and married a girl from there and never caused my mother grief. I, on the other hand, blew my career as a nurse, becoming addicted to drugs, led a wayward promiscuous life and broke my mother's heart. But if somehow God can use the once “black sheep” of the family to be an instrument in saving my non-believing brother and mother, if my prayers have made a way for them, how wonderful that would be. I have faith for that. And all of you who have given your lives to Jesus can do the same for your unbelieving relatives. Cry out in faith for God to save them, to work miraculously in their lives. Maybe it took dementia to break my brother and my mother. What appears to be a terrible disaster God can use. He doesn't see things how we see them.

### 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](http://jesusmarch.org)

**Saturday 27th June**: Broadfield Arts Festival

**Saturday 1st–8th August**: Revive 2026, **Church on Fire**, bookings open at [revivelive.co.uk](http://revivelive.co.uk)

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

(Matthew 19:26)