



# Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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## NewsFlash!

### Sunday 15th May 2016

**This morning** 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall  
*Worship: Kevin Gordon; Speaker: Mike Keeping*

*We offer a warm welcome to all visitors to our worship today  
If you want to know the location of any of the meetings, please ask the host or one of the leaders*

**This evening** 6.30pm: Pentecost Songs of Praise in the Church

**Monday** 6.30pm: Prayer time in the Church

8.00pm: Church Meeting in the Small Hall

*The agenda will cover the Fellowship's activities and finances and there will be an opportunity to ask questions – everyone who worships with us regularly is encouraged to come*

**Tuesday** 7.00pm: House Group at Caroline's home

7.45pm: House Group at Ben & Pauline's home

**Wednesday** 9.30am: Coffee Shop in the Social Hall

**Friday** 2.30pm: Dave Time in the Church Quiet Room

5.00pm: Friday Meal in the Social Hall

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

9.30am: Prayer meeting

10.00am: Tea and coffee

10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall, including communion

*Led by Ian's House Group*

### Thought for the Week – from Caroline

#### CAUSES OF DECEPTION

1. Pride. Pride prefers self to God or anyone else. (Obadiah 3)
2. Self-dependence. It is deception to think that what we do by our own inspiration or effort counts in God's sight. "...for apart from me you can do nothing" (John 15:5).
3. Trusting in worthless things. "Let him not deceive himself by trusting what is worthless for he will get nothing in return" (Job 15:31).
4. Trusting what you want to believe. When we do this we close our ears to what God is saying and our eyes to reality. Jeremiah gives us a good example. When Jerusalem was besieged by the Babylonians he warned them (Jeremiah 37:9). The people wanted to believe they were safe but they were not. Wanting to believe is not the same as faith.
5. Unwillingness to listen to God or be taught. "These are rebellious people, deceitful children, children unwilling to listen to the Lord's instruction" (Isaiah 30:9).
6. Trusting your own wisdom. "Do not deceive yourselves. If any one thinks he is wise by the standards of this age, he should become a fool so that he may become wise" (1 Corinthians 3:18).
7. Listening to God, but not doing what He says. "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says" (James 1:22).
8. Blindness to sin. "If we claim we are without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us" (1 John 1:8).
9. False ideas about yourself. "If any one thinks he is something when he is nothing, he deceives himself" (Galatians 6:3).
10. Speaking negatively (James 1:26).
11. Believing "revelations" about the second coming of Jesus (2 Thessalonians 2:3).
12. Tolerance of sin (1 Corinthians 6:9-10).
13. Believing in another Jesus (2 Corinthians 11:3).
14. Blaming others for your temptation (James 1:13-18).
15. Believing false prophets (Matthew 24:4).
16. Sin deceives (Hebrews 3:13).
17. Those who are deceived deceive others (2 Timothy 3:13).
18. Unbelievers are deceived (Titus 3:3).
19. Wealth can deceive (Matthew 13:22). Jesus does not condemn wealth itself, but warns against the way it can deceive people.

Do not be daunted by the number of ways a believer can be deceived. If you walk in faith and obedience to God's word you will live in the answer to every deception. And remember the Holy Spirit of truth lives within you to guide you into all truth.

Excerpts from Colin Urquhart's book *Deception*.

### Diary Dates

**Saturday 30th July–Saturday 6th August:** Revive! 2016, "New Day Dawning" with Heidi Baker and Less Isaacs.

Brochures are on the tables – book at [www.ichthus.org.uk/revive](http://www.ichthus.org.uk/revive).