



Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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NewsFlash!

Sunday 12th June 2016

This morning 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall
Worship: Vivienne Evans; Speaker: David Evans

*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 7.00pm: Town-wide service at Crawley Baptist Church

Monday 6.30pm: Prayer time in the Church

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
Worship: Kevin Gordon; Speaker: Ian Johnson

As agreed at the Church Meeting, next Sunday we will have a special offering for the work of Oleg Reutki with New Hope Eurasia. More information overleaf and at www.newhopeeurasia.org.

Thought for the Week – from Caroline

Psalm 16:5 LORD, you alone are my portion and my cup; you make my lot secure.

Job 11:18 And you will feel secure, because there is hope; you will look around and take your rest in security.

We know all these verses but deep down we still suffer from all kinds of insecurities, though hopefully as we grow as Christians we learn to trust more. I share best when I share from experience. When I was young I wasn't bad looking and would receive praise for my looks more than anything (I didn't always look like I do today), but as a result I became vain and my security was in my appearance. It's good to build people up but wisdom needs to be applied. I have seen people being built up in such a way that it's put them on a pedestal to a position they are not ready for and consequently this can lead to pride and their downfall. Anyway, getting back to my security being in my appearance, at the Friday Meal Debby was showing me a photo of a celebrity she really liked; this led to my sharing that inside my wardrobe door I have a photo of Keith Richards and Mick Jagger (Rolling Stones), which I had taken from a 2013 newspaper article headed "Glastonbury's night of the living dead!" I remarked how they both looked like they had been dug up, somebody then said, "That's not very nice!" I agreed it wasn't but it made me feel better. Debby, on hearing me say this, immediately "cracked up" and I knew instantly that she had

understood where I was coming from, which made me warm to her even more and I guess/hope she appreciated my honesty too.

It's a very human reaction to feel slightly better or relieved that someone is worse off (you may be a super-saint that has never felt that). This is a quote from an article on low self esteem: "Enjoying someone else's misfortune is known as schadenfreude and scientists from Leiden University in the Netherlands say that the lower your self-esteem, the more you'll experience it."

Some people age well, others not so well, so that can knock your self-esteem and confidence and what makes it harder is you don't feel any different inside from when you were young (though wiser, hopefully) but our security needs to be in the Lord, NOT in looks, youth, money, education, knowledge, position, health, who we are married to, whether we are married or single, how well our children are doing and countless other things; they are all good but it can all change. **James 4:14** Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.

For all those pensioners who feel they have lost "it" and don't relish what old age brings, remember God will never stop using you. Another quote says this: "When living by the word of God old age brings wisdom that is able to help and guide others in need. Old Christian men and woman have a duty to help the younger generation" and also this lovely scripture: **Ruth 4:15** He will renew your life and sustain you in your old age.

Diary Dates

Saturday 30th July–Saturday 6th August: Revive! 2016, "New Day Dawning" with Heidi Baker, Les Isaac and Mattheus van der Steen. Brochures are on the tables – book at www.ichthus.org.uk/revive.



We'd like to give thank to God for the 2500 kids that received the Easter Gift and had the opportunity to hear the Good News of the Gospel via drama, songs and the Message.

- Our prayer is for the seed of the Gospel to bear much fruit for the Glory of Christ.
- Please, pray for the local churches that we partner with as they are working with the families.
- Pray for the churches that are reaching the unreached people groups like gipsy people. New Hope Eurasia is assisting these churches in reaching next generations among these people groups.

We ask God for wisdom in how to present the Gospel cross-culturally acceptable & simple way.

- In the month of June we are getting ready to assist a number of churches in Turkey to do Bibles distribution in the Biblical Cities of Ephesus and Smirna and surrounding towns. Pray for God's provision for the New Testaments and God's provision as well as God's protection over us.

Outreach Day Camps for 10000 Children.

In 2016 New Hope Eurasia is going to make a step of faith by assisting 79 church in Moldova, Ukraine, Romania in the are of child outreach ministry. We are going to target 10000 kids in the villages of these countries, providing them a meal, an interactive program, introducing them and their families to Jesus.

- Please, pray for open heart of the kids and their parents.
- Please, pray for the preparations that we are all in the midst of, we need wisdom how to prepare the teams of volunteers.
- Pray for a strong after the camp program for the kids as part of the follow up work, as well as strong ministry to their families.
- We ask the Lord for provision of all the funds that we need as we are providing training, camp supplies and subsidize it financially.

New Transition Homes (Rescue-Protect-Restore)

As you know kids are dear to the Father's heart, our God calls Himself the Father & Protector of the Orphans. When we do good to these kids it pleases God. New Hope Eurasia is on a special task to rescuing-protecting-restoring these little ones.

In order to do that we are establishing Transition Homes. Through your generosity we are able to have in operation 4 homes. We are working on refurbishing one more home for boys and one more home for girls, that we plan to open this year. Please, pray for us:

- Pray for God's provision for construction materials, furniture.
- Pray for the safety of the workers and God's blessing on them.
- Please, pray for God's hand on the legal process: codes, permits.
- We are looking at purchasing one more home for orphaned girls, state run orphanages are pushing the kids out because of the lack of funding. What a child age 6-16 can do on the streets? Trafficking into begging, sex trade, organs...

We need your support in the process of opening new homes and support of the ongoing operations.