



Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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NewsFlash!



Sunday 4th December 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

Thought for the Week – from Caroline

A New Life

One or two of you questioned this last Sunday and it really needs a preach. Put simply though, when you give your life to Jesus for Him to be Lord of your life, your spirit which was dead and disconnected from God is made alive again and the spirit of Jesus dwells in you. You now have the power to overcome sin, your sins are forgiven and you can have a relationship with Jesus, and when you die your spirit will live for eternity. You are now a child of God and no longer a child of the devil. You were a child of the devil and condemned for judgement. When you die there are only two directions: up or down, heaven or hell.

Now a new life doesn't mean an instant change of circumstances or getting goodies for being good, God/Jesus is not some sort of spiritual Father Christmas who will make your life so much easier. It can actually get harder as you start to look at yourself and face many challenges. In the story "Pilgrims Progress" (I recommend you read it), the author sees a man in a dream leave his city of destruction (the world) and go in search of the celestial city (heaven). He meets Evangelist on the way who directs him to a gate and a tiny shining light, he must knock at the gate and then he will be told what to do.

That's the beginning of his journey of salvation. We who have given our lives to Jesus are all on that journey and like the man in the story we will face many trials and battles, but God is with us every inch of the way. The progress we make on that journey is largely up to us (Philippians 2:12-13 "...continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling...") meaning that we have to face the issues God highlights in our lives, we have to learn and allow transformation, it doesn't just happen, obedience is essential. We have to learn a new culture, a new way of thinking and dealing with situations, God will help us but He won't do it for us. We can't just go along like we have always done and copy our non-Christian friends and mingle with the crowd, we are to change and be different. I know my own life could be further than it is, we get stuck in comfort zones and are reluctant to step out sometimes, we listen to lies, but every day is a new day and God has new opportunities, so yes we have a new life, and it's forever.

Diary Dates

Friday 7th–Sunday 9th April 2017: Church Weekend at Ashburnham Place with Jon and Emily Darby – Irma is collecting money if you would like to save for this, costs to follow but should be similar to this year