



# Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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## NewsFlash!

### Sunday 20th May 2018

**This morning** 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall, including communion  
*Led by Ian's House Group*

*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*

**Monday** 6.45pm: Prayer time in the Church (*for one hour*)  
*The other churches from Broadfield will be joining us on this occasion*

**Tuesday** 7.00pm: House Group at Caroline's home  
7.30pm: Talk Broadfield AGM in the Small Hall  
7.45pm: House Group at Ben & Pauline's home

**Wednesday** 9.15am: Coffee Shop in the Social Hall

**Friday** 2.30pm: "Dave Time" In the Church Quiet Room (*for one hour*)

5.00pm: Friday Meal in the Social Hall, followed by:  
**Alpha** in the Church Quiet Room (*ends 7.00pm*)  
*Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation.*



**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

### Thought for the Week – from Caroline

#### Pentecost Sunday

Today commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 2:1-31).

Jesus had promised that when He had gone to heaven they would not be left on their own but He would send a comforter (the Holy Spirit) who will give them power and ability to carry on and spread the Gospel as the Father had commanded. 120 were gathered in the Upper Room.

Benny Hinn in his book "Good Morning Holy Spirit" says this:

The Holy Spirit came upon 120 believers who became the new temple of God. Do you recall that when Solomon finished his temple he had "120 priests sounding trumpets" (2 Chron 5:12)? Scripture records that "The house of the Lord was filled with a cloud, so that the priests could not continue ministering because of the cloud; for the Glory of the Lord filled the house of God" (2 Chron 5:13-14).

It happened again in the Upper Room. 120 came together and the Spirit of God filled the temple. Why 120? It is the number

of the closing of the age of flesh and the opening of the age of the Spirit. In Genesis, where for 120 years, Noah was building the ark, the age of flesh ended and God said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he is indeed flesh, yet his days shall be 120 years" (Gen 6:3). It is precisely for this purpose that the Lord gathered 120 at Pentecost, so that God the Holy Spirit could be released among nations. *It marked the beginning of the age of the Spirit.*

Observers couldn't understand what was happening! Some made fun of them saying they were drunk (Acts 2:13). But Peter stood up and said, "These are not drunk as you suppose, but this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel" (Acts 2:15). The 120 were so filled with the Holy Spirit that they could not stand in their own power, it changed their speech, their emotions and their behaviour.

It brought transformation to their lives. It brought out in the once timid Peter tremendous authority and he fearlessly preached with passion and power. The Holy Spirit is the same today and forever for all of us who truly believe.

And afterwards, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. (Joel 2:28)

### Diary Dates

**Sunday 3rd June**, 10.30am: Steve Trullinger of The Father's Touch Ministries, based in California, will be speaking ([www.fatherstouch.org](http://www.fatherstouch.org))

**Tuesday 5th June**, 6.30pm: Church Meeting in the Small Hall – All who worship with us regularly are encouraged to come

**Saturday 28th July–Saturday 4th August**: Revive 2018 – "Breakthrough" at Ashburnham Place with guest speaker Tim Paton. Book at [www.ichthus.org.uk/revive](http://www.ichthus.org.uk/revive)