



Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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NewsFlash!

Sunday 19th February 2023

This morning 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall

Worship: Kevin Gordon; "Talking Jesus" week 2

*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 9.15am: Little Lambs Toddler Group in the Social Hall
7.00pm: Prayer meeting on Zoom

Tuesday 7.30pm: Home Group at Steph & Shell's

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 breakfast & communion
Worship: Viv Evans

There will be an offering today in aid of the DEC Turkey-Syria Earthquake Appeal

You can put cash or a cheque in the bag (payable to Broadfield Christian Fellowship) or bank transfer to sort code 40-01-21, account number 71366807 (use reference Earthquake) by the end of the week please

Thought for the Week – from Caroline

Exodus 17:11 "As long as Moses held up his hands, the Israelites were winning, but whenever he lowered his hands, the Amalekites were winning."

The Amalekites had come up against the Israelites at Rephidim (which translated means resting place). Exodus 17 tells us that Israel's leader, Moses, said to Joshua, "Choose some of our men and go out to fight the Amalekites. Tomorrow I will stand on top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand." Soon his arms became so tired he couldn't keep them up, so Aaron and Hur, who were with Moses, found a stone for him to sit on. Then they stood on each side, holding his hands up. As a result, Joshua overwhelmed the army of the Amalekites in battle and was victorious.

This made me think of our own battles, our personal ones and the battles the church faces, particularly in our time. The battles we face are spiritual, we have very powerful enemies, but they are not more powerful than God. We don't have, not in this country anyway, a physical enemy to contend with, but nevertheless our battles are very real. So it seems to me that when we lift our hands to worship and pray, even when we are feeling weary, sad and even disheartened, God is bringing us to victory, His way, but if we sink down in gloom or despair we give the enemy the upper hand. Also, when we pray we can picture ourselves lifting the hands of our Christian friends, family and leaders in the church, asking God to strengthen and encourage them to victory. We all have battles of varying degrees, and the church is being attacked and infiltrated by worldly views and lifestyles which are being led by Satan himself. We are a mighty army like the Israelites, and the banner over us is love.

Diary Dates

Friday 3rd March: World Day of Prayer, "I have heard about your faith" – 10.30am at The Friary Church, Haslett Avenue West and 7.00pm at Crawley Baptist Church, Crabtree Road, West Green

Saturday 18th–Sunday 19th March 2023: Church Weekend at the De Vere Horsley Estate, Ockham Road South, East Horsley, Surrey, KT24 6DU, with Joshua Walker

Saturday 29th–Saturday 5th August 2023: Revive 2023 "Pursuing The Unshakeable" at Ashburnham Place; bookings now open at revivelive.co.uk, 10% discount for bookings made and paid for by 31st May 2023

Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing. (Isaiah 43:18-19a)