



# Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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## NewsFlash!

### Sunday 3rd September 2023

**This morning**            10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall  
*Worship: Kevin Gordon*  
*Speaker: Ian Johnson*

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*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*

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**Monday**                7.00pm: Prayer Walk, meet at the Church  
**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  
*Worship: Viv Evans*  
*Just10, session 1: "How To Find True Contentment"*

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### Thought for the Week – from Caroline

Philippians 4:8 "Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things."

That's God's word, and it's true, but I just want to point out to you something I experienced when I visited my eldest son, Matt. He showed me a video of a man expressing his opinion about many of the world's views on transgender and identifying as animals, etc. There were two things in the video that could have instantly put me off proceeding with it. One was the man spoke like Danny Dyer, whom I'm not keen on, and second the "F" word was used prolifically. If I had said, as some might, "STOP! I can't possibly taint my ears with this language!" I would have missed what this man was saying, and which I agreed with heartily. In Matthew 4:19 it says, "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." So if we are to go out into the world to be "fishers of men" we must be prepared for the way some people express themselves. To some people, the "F" word is very much part of their everyday language. I'm not saying it's right, and sometimes they will apologize and say, "excuse the language," but they are so used to it, I don't think they give it a thought. Obviously I would say if I could, "please can you not use that language," but I'm not going to reject them because of it. I don't dismiss a film or a drama just because of the language (unless it's extreme) because you could miss some very insightful stories or nuggets of truth, and anyway it's hard these days to escape it. When people become Christians, they don't change overnight, but God will, if they listen to Him and allow Him, clean them up and straighten them out, including their speech. After all, fish are always cleaned after they've been caught.

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