



# Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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## NewsFlash!

### Sunday 19th November 2023

**This morning** 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall

*Worship: Viv Evans*

*Worship and Communion*

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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** 9.30am: Little Lambs Play & Sing Toddler Group in the Social Hall

7.00pm: Prayer Meeting on Zoom

**Tuesday** 7.30pm: Church meeting at Steph & Shell's home

*We will be reviewing the church's activities and finances. All who worship with us regularly are encouraged to attend*

**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: Kevin Gordon*

*Just10, session 9: "How to Know God"*

5.00pm: A Shared Celebration of Christ the King led by members of the churches which meet in the Broadfield Centre

*Speaker: Father Raymond Tumba*

### Thought for the Week – from Caroline

And how can they hear if nobody tells them? That's a sentence in Romans 10:14-17 and 2 Timothy 4:3 says, "For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear."

God cannot be put into a box when it comes to sharing the Gospel, or anything for that matter. Therefore, I believe it's perfectly OK to scare people into the Kingdom sometimes. Nowadays, in our "tolerant" society I feel even Christians are frightened of upsetting people, "We might lose them," they say. You've only got to watch traffic cops to see just how much people hate to be challenged. But if you have sown a seed, losing them is not a problem, you don't know what might happen down the line. You might be the kindest person out, doing untold things for people, but will that actually get them saved? It may well soften their hearts and that's a good thing, but softening ear wax doesn't remove it, it has to be purged out, and hard ground has to be prepared for the seed. One of my non-Christian friends at K2 humorously mocks my faith, but the other day he told me about a friend who went to bed and three weeks later woke up in ICU in hospital. Apparently, his wife did CPR on him, and then he was carted off to the hospital. My friend told me the dream his friend had. In the dream he was being loaded into a van which contained a lot of dead bodies, he said to the sinister men lifting him in, "What are you doing?!" They replied, "You are dead, you are coming with us." "But I don't want to die," he said. The next thing he knew, he was thrown out of the van and his wife was standing there in front of him. My friend said to me "It made me think." I told him I was pleased, and I had no doubt that it was a warning and that the moment his friend was thrown out of the van was when his wife successfully did the CPR on him. He's been given a second chance.

When I got home, I was thinking about it and decided to email my friend a YouTube clip from the film *Ghost*, I think most people will remember the Pottery Scene but who remembers the scene where Carl goes to hell? He's killed by a sheet of glass severing his body and when his spirit leaves his body he's dragged off screaming by ghouls. My friend answered my email by saying, "But it's a film." My answer to that was, "Yes, but films can portray truths, Pilgrim's Progress is just a story, but it's an allegory packed with incidents that speak volumes to us. Hell is real, evil is real, and the devil is real. He's not a cartoon character with horns and a tail; in fact if he were to appear in person he could very easily be charming, an angel of light, no less." My friend hasn't come back to me on that yet. I will continue to pray for him.

### Diary Dates

**Sunday 17th December**, 10.30am: Carol Singing on the Barton followed by a service in The Community Centre then a Christmas meal – all welcome, invite your family and friends and let Viv know the numbers

**Saturday 3rd–10th August 2024**: Revive 2024 "Fearless and Free" at Ashburnham Place – House bookings now open at [revivelive.co.uk](http://revivelive.co.uk) (nearly full), camping bookings to follow soon

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