



Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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NewsFlash!

Sunday 25th May/1st June 2025

This morning 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall, including Dami & Tobi's renewal of wedding vows
Worship: Viv Evans; Speaker: Dave Evans, John chapter 4
Please stay for some food after the service

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

Wednesday 12.30pm: Ensemble Reza Classical Concert in the Church (*refreshments from 12.00*)

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 wedding vows
Worship: Kevin Gordon; Speaker: Lawrence, John chapter 5

7.00pm: The Lighthouse Project 95% Prayer Meeting at Crawley Community Church

Monday 2nd 9.30am: Little Lambs Play & Sing Toddler Group in the Social Hall

Tuesday 3rd 7.45pm: Home Group at Steph & Shell's home

Wednesday 4th 9.15am: Coffee Shop in the Social Hall

Sunday 8th 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; Speaker: Henry George, John chapter 6

Thought For The Week – from Caroline

GOD'S PURPOSE FOR MARRIAGE

God's Intention for Marriage is about Covenant. Christian marriage is not a contract that can be broken but rather a covenant that is binding, unbreakable, and irrevocable. The words Adam spoke when he first saw his wife were, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man" (Genesis 2:23). Adam made a theological statement. Later, Jesus would elaborate on this in Matthew 19:4-6, "Have you not read that He who made them at the beginning 'made them male and female,' and said, 'For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh'? So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate."

The husband is to be the head, the leader, just as Christ is the head. The woman, who is from man, is a picture of the Church, the bride, and the body. The two are to become one flesh. "Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Saviour of the body. Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything."— Ephesians 5:22-24

God's purpose for marriage is to be a picture of the covenant relationship between Christ and His Bride, the Church. Jesus gave this vow to His Bride: "Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, 'I will never leave you nor forsake you.'"— Hebrews 13:5

Key Principle: God's intention for marriage is not to be a contract that needs both parties to hold up their end of the deal — as 1 Corinthians 13:1 says, "...love keeps no records of right and wrongs." God's purpose for marriage is different from the world's. It's a covenant — binding and irrevocable because of His love. He's already paid the price. Once you become married to Christ, a born-again child of God, your salvation does not hinge on what you do or don't do. It hinges only on what Christ has done for you. God's purpose for marriage is to be a picture of His love to a watching world. When Christians understand God's view of marriage and His purpose, they have stronger marriages, stronger families, and stronger communities. They grow as a couple, understand each other, and glorify God. (*Excerpt from Abundant Life*)

Advance Notices

Monday 9th June, 1.00pm: Prayer Walk in Tilgate Park

Saturday 2nd–9th August: Revive 2025, "The Call of Christ" at Ashburnham Place. Bookings open at revivelive.co.uk, book and pay in full by 31st May for an Early Bird discount. If you would like to go but cannot afford to pay, please see Viv

For we are to God the pleasing aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing.
(2 Corinthians 2:15)