



Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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NewsFlash!

Sunday 29th March 2026

This morning 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall

Worship: Viv Evans; Speaker: Gunilla Johnson – Ruth

*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*

Tuesday 7.30pm: Home Group at Ben & Pauline's Home

Good Friday 9.50am: Meet outside Church for walk of witness to ...

11.00am: Town-wide service in Queens Square

Easter Sunday 6.30am: Tilgate Lakeside Service

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; Speaker: Dave Evans

Thought for the Week – from Caroline

1 John 1:9 *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.*

Second verse of *To God Be The Glory*:

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
to every believer the promise of God;
the vilest offender who truly believes,
that moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

I talked about Mr Mountbatten-Windsor in one TFTW, now having watched last night "The Downfall of Huw Edwards" I'm going to discuss him with you, and how we as Christians react, not an easy subject. I was shocked not at what he did, even though that was shocking, but by his persona of a well-educated professional, well-accomplished, thoroughly stable and "got it all together" character. I thought I was discerning, after all as I've mentioned before, I have seen the "seedy" side of life, but people can be masters of deception. I was then thinking, "How did this famous successful man have such a dark secret and fall so far? How did he come to have such a twisted version of sex?" I'm not sure if a Christian could fall that far, it depends on your depth of relationship with Jesus I guess, but I do know in many situations we can say, "But there for the grace of God go I." Also how amazing is the Grace, Mercy and Compassion of God that goes far beyond ours. Men who commit acts of gross depravity may not be murderers in every case, but the consequences of their actions cause lasting, sometimes life-long emotional damage. I know from my own experience of being "interfered with/abused" sexually age 5 and following years, and I have friends who share that

damage. It did and has affected my life. But getting back to Huw Edwards, I began to feel a slight tinge of compassion for the man, which can only have come from God, because if it had affected my children I would really struggle to forgive. So I investigated my previous question, "How did he have such a distorted view of sex and fall so far?" Based on court proceedings, Huw Edwards's indecent images of children were linked to a combination of severe mental health and fixation on online sexual chat, he is reported as being a complex individual (aren't we all I think!) He also apparently had a very Puritan upbringing with a father who was an alleged "monster." He was sent images by a paedophile which obviously fed his perverted lust. Well we could say, "All excuses, he should have known better," and you are right, he should have known better, we should all know better over lots of things. The chief magistrate accepted that Edwards had shown genuine remorse, although I say only God knows how genuine it is. The mother of the teenage boy Edwards groomed wanted justice for her son and didn't feel she had got it. But God sees all and He says in Romans 12:19, *Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.*

Nobody gets away with anything, if there's no repentance and turning to God then there is eternal punishment waiting, no other choices, Life or Death. But I've said before, Ezekiel 33:11, *Tell them, 'As sure as I am the living God, I take no pleasure from the death of the wicked. I want the wicked to change their ways and live.* (The Message)

Our job is to try to see as God sees and show as much love mercy and compassion that we are able to, not easy and impossible in our own strength.

Advance Notices

Saturday 23rd May, 2.00–5.00pm: The **Jesus March** from Marble Arch to Trafalgar Square, see jesusmarch.org

Saturday 1st–8th August: Revive 2026, **Church on Fire**, bookings now open at revivelive.co.uk, early bird discount for bookings received and paid for by **31st March** (Tuesday)

Jesus looked at them and said, 'With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.'

(Matthew 19:26)