



Broadfield Christian Fellowship

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NewsFlash!

Sunday 24th May 2026

This morning 10.30am: Morning Worship in the Social Hall
Worship: Viv – Prayer & Praise

*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

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

Saturday 3.00pm: Christian Family Hang-out 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

Speaker: Ian Johnson, James 4:1-17 Warnings Against Worldliness

Thought for the Week – from Caroline

Acts 2 – Pentecost

Before Pentecost, the disciples endured a monumental period of transition and waiting. They had to process the trauma of the crucifixion, the reality of the resurrection, and Jesus' ascension. When the Holy Spirit arrived, it radically transformed them from a fearful, confused group into bold, empowered witnesses.

The Processing Period (Before Pentecost)

During the 40 days after the resurrection and the subsequent days leading up to Pentecost, the disciples grappled with several heavy realities:

- **Shattered Expectations:** They had to shift their focus from a political/earthly kingdom to a spiritual, global mission.
- **Grief and Confusion:** They processed the trauma of Jesus' death and the profound mystery of His appearances.
- **Internal Heart-Work:** They worked through their previous self-will, misguided ambition, and petty arguments.
- **Leadership Restructuring:** They needed to address Judas's betrayal, officially selecting Matthias to restore the Twelve apostle

The Shift to Empowerment

Jesus explicitly commanded them to wait in Jerusalem until they received "power from on high." The period in the Upper Room was not passive, but a time of intentional, unified prayer.

When Pentecost arrived, this empowerment changed everything:

- **The Manifestation:** It was marked by the sound of a rushing wind, tongues of fire, and the ability to speak in other languages.
- **Unprecedented Boldness:** Fearful, hidden disciples suddenly stepped into the public square to boldly proclaim the gospel.
- **Global Mission:** They received the spiritual energy needed to take their message to the ends of the earth, as commissioned in Acts 1:8.

An AI Overview taken from several ministries

Advance Notices

Saturday 27th June: Broadfield Arts Festival

Saturday 1st–8th August: Revive 2026, **Church on Fire**, bookings open at revivelive.co.uk

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

(Matthew 19:26)