

BRIGHTON ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH



BRBC Bulletin

Sunday 26th January 2025

Welcome to our service today.

Events for the next week

Sunday 26th January

Fruit of the Spirit: Peace.

All Age Worship

Baptism Service

10:30am Sunday Service

led by Marion Richardson

Sunday 2nd February

Fruit of the Spirit: Patience

10:30am Sunday Service

led by Dr David Skipp

with Julie Shimizu

10:45am BRBK (Kids' Club)

Meeting Rooms - Children will go

from the main service



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Sunday 26th January 10:30am	Sunday Service
Monday 27th January 10:00am	Coffee, Cake & Company
Monday 27th January 2:30pm	PMA
Tuesday 28th January 10:30am	Alpha Course
Tuesday 28th January 1:00pm	BRBC Babies & Toddlers
Tuesday 28th January 4:00pm	Toy Library
Thursday 30th January 2:00pm	Women's Fellowship
Thursday 30th January 7:45pm	Worship Group
Saturday 1st February 12:30pm	Saturday Kitchen
Sunday 2nd February 10:30am	Sunday Service
Sunday 2nd February 10:45am	BRBK (Kids' Club)
Sunday 2nd February 7:00pm	Prayer Gathering
Monday 3rd February 10:00am	Coffee, Cake & Company
Tuesday 4th February 10:30am	Alpha Course
Tuesday 4th February 1:00pm	BRBC Babies & Toddlers
Tuesday 4th February 4:00pm	Toy Library
Tuesday 4th February 7:45pm	Allsorts Housegroup
Wednesday 5th February 2:30pm	Thanksgiving Service - Elsie Phillips
Wednesday 5th February 7:00pm	Hillside House Group
Thursday 6th February 10:00am	Art Group
Thursday 6th February 2:00pm	Women's Fellowship
Thursday 6th February 7:45pm	Worship Group
Saturday 8th February 12:30pm	Saturday Kitchen
Sunday 9th February 10:30am	Sunday Service
Sunday 9th February 10:45am	BRBK (Kids' Club)
Monday 10th February 10:00am	Coffee, Cake & Company
Monday 10th February 2:30pm	PMA

Weekly Message

Just waiting for you!

In this interregnum period we are being asked to offer help to the very stretched leadership team and the many hardworking backroom people. We may wonder what we can offer; what gifts have we that can be put to use?

I am put to mind the old children's song 'There's a work for Jesus none but you can do'. Incidentally, it is the all-time favourite of the church in Ghana! Give yourself a treat and listen to the Musikeers Ensemble Ghana singing 'Yesu Wo Adwuma'.

I think that the key in the song is that the work is for Jesus. It is He that gives the call and also He that enables. Pauline and I have found this to be true throughout our Christian lives from our teens to now in our 80's. Today is celebrated as World Leprosy Day. It has been our privilege and challenge to be volunteers for the mission over the last 15 years. We had no gifts or skills for the demands that involved acquiring medical knowledge, I.T. skills, filming, fund raising or encouraging those suffering from the most disfiguring of diseases. It was our love of mountain walking which started us on a 9-day Himalayan trek which led to a 15-year journey of seeing how God equipped us to fulfil His calling.

Perhaps it is a pattern that God might use to call you to the work that 'none but you can do'. He can start with calling you to engage within your comfort zone and then step by step enable you to know the thrill of leaving that comfort zone to do the work that He has especially for you. We have the assurance that it in His power we are able to carry out His calling.

In Ephesians 4 vs 11-12 Paul tells us that the God given leadership of the church is for the purpose of equipping us for works of service so that the body of Christ may be built up. The body of Christ includes BRBC as well as the worldwide church. It is the church that God is using to transform individuals, communities and nations. What a privilege to be part of it.

Ian Jepps

Notices

PMA

All are welcome to join us on Monday 27th January for a pleasant Monday afternoon from 2.30-3.45pm in the Main Hall. Christine Fairweather-Tall will be showing pictures and sharing about her time 'Cruising round the British Isles'. This is a change from the advertised programme.

Walks

I am planning a figure of eight walk of about 8 miles from the Loxwood Canal visitors' centre on Saturday 1st February. There would be an option of just joining for the first 4 or 5 miles. Meet at church at 10.15am.

Thanksgiving Service

Elsie Phillips will be cremated at Randalls Park Crematorium, Leatherhead at 12.30pm on Wednesday 5th February.

A service of Thanksgiving for her life will be held afterwards at 2.30pm at BRBC.

All are welcome to attend the cremation and then to join in this celebration of our mother's life. Refreshments will be served in the main hall after the service.

Please wear colourful clothes. Family flowers only. Charity donations will go to the Kent, Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance (KSS).

Val Hardwick and family.

Don Stewart

Our dear and much-loved church member, brother-in-the-Lord and friend, Don Stewart, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday 22nd January 2025. Please keep in your prayers Val and family as they process what has been a difficult time. They express their thanks for all our love and prayers. Yours in prayer, Revd. Michael Hogg.

The Hiding Place

Tickets are now on sale for 'The Hiding Place' an account of Corrie Ten Boom's family after the Nazis invaded Holland, performed by Oddments Theatre Production at The Horsham United Reformed church on Thursday 6th February at 7.30 (Doors open at 7pm).

With all the divisions in our present world, this remains a story for our own time. As Corrie Ten Boom said, "In darkness, God's truth shines most clear." To purchase tickets please visit

<https://www.jumblebee.co.uk/HPHorsham> (at £13.99)

Advance Notice!

The World Day of Prayer will take place as usual on the first Friday in March, 7th March. It is a service for everyone and hopefully at a time to suit you as there will be three venues in Horsham at three different times on that day. The women of the Cook Islands have prepared the service. See the posters on board at Reception.

Coffee Morning & Presentation on Saturday 8th February

You are invited to a coffee morning at the Salvation Army Hall at 10.30 am. It will include a presentation of background pictures of the Cook Islands so that you are better informed to appreciate the World Day of Prayer service taking place in March. There is no charge. Hope you can come and learn more about the Cook Islands.

Messages from Ian Rose

With the volatile situation in the Middle East, it would be good for us to continue to pray for SAT7 and the work they do in encouraging isolated Christians and spreading the gospel message in the area. Their Prayer Diaries are available in the literature stand in the Reception Area.

Secondly, we have been requested to continue to produce our Heart Song broadcast so we desperately need a lot more people willing to chat with me for a few minutes about their favourite hymn or song.

Ian Rose

Eco Tips

Did you know you can now recycle your coffee pods? You need to register on the podback website. You will be sent bags which can be collected directly from your house or taken to collection points. Alternatively, coffee grounds can be used directly in your garden as fertilizer mulch and pesticides. Do check which plants love them and which plants hate them!

Miriam Hughes

Oasis Quiz Night

Back by popular demand, Oasis is excited to welcome you to their Quiz of all Quizzes night at Brighton Road Baptist Church on Saturday 15th March, 2025. Come with your friends/colleagues/neighbours as a team of 6 or be joined to a table to make a team for a great fun-filled evening. We will be having a raffle on the evening and ensuring that we raise funds for Oasis to be able to continue the free services they offer in Horsham and Crawley and surrounding areas.

Snacks will be on the table; please be sure to bring soft drinks (no alcohol please) with you on the night. Doors will open at 6.30pm and the quiz will start promptly at 7pm.

Tickets can be purchased through Eventbrite (<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/quiz-of-all-quizzes-back-by-popular-demand-for-2025-tickets-1204778156899>) or through the Oasis website.

BMS Birthday Scheme

Celebrating a birthday this week is Carol Mansfield on Saturday 1st February.

Email Bulletin

Did you know that you can access the bulletin online? Scan the QR code on the front of this bulletin with your phone's camera or go to <https://www.brbc-horsham.org.uk/Hubb/?p=ConsentAndMailing> and login or create an account to sign up to receive the weekly bulletin email. Help us save paper!

For Prayer

Pray for the Alpha Course beginning on Tuesday. Pray that a good group of people will come and that they will benefit from the welcome they receive and from the teaching. Pray for wisdom and strength for those leading it and helping in other ways.

Mission Prayer Request

Since today (Jan 26th) is World Leprosy Day, let us thank God for The Leprosy Mission and all they have done over the years to treat and to care for leprosy sufferers in many areas of the world and for their continuing efforts to find ways of improving treatment for the disease. Pray for the ongoing research and efforts to eventually eradicate the disease.

Notices for the weekly bulletin should be sent to bulletin@brbc-horsham.org.uk before 6pm on Wednesday.

Brighton Road Baptist Church is part of God's family, where anyone and everyone is made welcome, and we are all equipped to live our lives for Jesus with a shared sense of unity and purpose. We warmly welcome you to our worship today and hope that you feel at home among us as we worship God together.

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