



Welcome to Coney Hill Baptist Church

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Sunday 20th July 2025

Life Together (communion) - Mark 3:20-35

Then he looked at those around him and said,

"Look, these are my mother and brothers.

***Anyone who does God's
will is my brother and
sister and mother."***

vs 35.



Church Mission Statement:

***"Demonstrating the Love of God together.
Making God known through practical service,
relevant witness and the growing of
Committed Followers of Jesus"***

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(Please send items to Sue by NOON ON THURSDAY Thank you).

Safeguarding:

We want everybody with whom we come into contact with, as a church, to feel welcomed, safe and secure at all times. Our safeguarding strategy is designed to ensure this, if you have any questions on it, or, especially if you wish to register or report any concerns, please speak to the **Minister** or one of our Safeguarding advocates, they are:

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Thank you **Bob & Christine** for making the 'TEA & COFFEE' for us all this morning, very much appreciated.

July 27th - David & Eileen
Aug 3rd - Henry & Henrietta
Aug 10th - Annette & Bill
Aug 17th - Val & Lester
Aug 24th - David & Eileen
Aug 31st - Bob & Christine



A word from



our minister

Reflecting on this weeks theme, a friend of mine is currently attending the Baptist World Congress in Brisbane. A 'freelance' pioneer minister, specialising in establishing God's kingdom in new housing estates, she's travelling on a strict & minimal budget. In reading her blog this week, it struck me as having lots to say about what it means to live, work and serve together, rather than alone.

Here's an excerpt ...

Community ...

"The most humbling and sacred moments of my time at assembly was the sharing of food. Food Share is a regular part of my life, I facilitate people in our local community giving and receiving shopping each week. I'm saving money by making picnics and eating in my self-catering accommodation, but God's provision has gone far beyond my individualist personal food organisation. I have unexpectedly been treated to eat out twice by westerners which was wonderful; I met a young Eastern European friend who was eating at a restaurant in the street, who insisted I shared her meal with her; I was chatting to an older lady at the Congress who bought chilli & nachos and again insisted I help her eat it, most humbling I was twice offered food by African women - also on a budget and thus making their own picnics - but with an open handed generosity that puts my individualistic approach to shame.

I had worried beforehand about the cost of food in Brisbane, so my personal eating plans were problematic. But God not only graciously provided through wonderful people but taught me a lesson. A lesson which went beyond facilitating food share and beyond making individualistic plans but into a community based sharing. I learnt

through others to bring what I had, more than I needed and to share open handedly. I had a big bag of mandarins. So I took far more than I needed each day. Twice people said to me that they wished they had brought fruit to eat. Both times I was able to share.

In the end the food budget from the week was very small, thank you God, and I learnt a new posture, to bring what I have and make it available to others, and allow God to provide what is needed for all. That's the essence of weekly Food Share - but I need to not just facilitate but fully live into that communal posture; with what I have, and what I need. And I had money left, both to buy some essentials, and go to the Koala Sanctuary!"

Children's Church...

Today is the final Sunday of the term, where separate children's activities will be organised. This morning, to celebrate, they will be preparing and eating a picnic together, as week by week they enjoy their various cooking assignments.

We thank the regular leaders, and the occasional volunteers, who make this possible every week, and wish them a good break. From next week, until September, activities will continue to be provided, in the children's individual folders, which they have been using in the first part of the service in recent weeks, and the children will remain in the main body of worship throughout. - **Ian.**





HOPE HEALTH ACTION

BIG JEWELLERY SALE

TODAY Sunday 20th July.

At back of church in aid of **HHA**

Please keep this date in mind.

Bring your purses and wallets

As all donations go to HHA .

Ann Bowers

The next Two weeks

27TH JULY – CLIFF LYNN

3RD AUGUST –

NORMAN KINCAID

**will be leading the
morning services.**

The Blessing Family!

*Children are a gift from
the Lord; They are a
reward from him.*

Psalm 127:3 (NLT)



**"Remember what they
said in church Mummy—
FEED THE HUNGRY!"**

Some people will never
come to church, listen to a
minister or read a Bible.
They're reading your life
and watching how you
live. Be the light God
called you to be!



You are invited to come to

50 Addington Road BR4 9BS

On Saturday 19th July

from 10.00am—12.00 noon

To spend time together
with cake, hot & cold drinks
and good company.



Everyone is very welcome

Bob and Christine



Burrell Mead Garden Party...

The Church here has had a long association with the Burrell Mead residential home, on Beckenham Road. Saturday (19th July) is their annual garden party and anyone would be welcome to go along, from 3:30pm, and get a flavour of the work that's done there.

Ian.

Dear Friends, We would love you to come to our home to share community together around a table with delicious refreshments and good company. This idea came to us after a service on 25th May when we heard about Jesus sharing the hospitality of friends. The Practicing The Way course talks about community

"From coming together on Sunday to worship to eating a meal around a table.....community is how we travel the Way together. Do you have travelling companions"

They are here waiting for you to join them. So you are all very welcome and we look forward to seeing you on 19th July.

Bob and Christine



*Your word is a lamp to my feet
and a light to my path. Psalm 119: 105*



GOOD NEWS
for Everyone!

formerly known as GideonsUK

**Friends of
GOOD NEWS for EVERYONE!**

You are invited to

Afternoon Tea

Saturday 26th July 3-5pm

Venue: **Coney Hill Baptist Church**
25 Coney Hill Road, West Wickham BR4 9BU

David Manderscheid Friends Secretary
Email address: vickyanddave@hotmail.co.uk
Please ring 01689 821338 if transport required



**Everyone is welcome to this afternoon tea.
Come and enjoy fellowship and hear more about
our work in Good News for Everyone.**

Brian & Helen

Hayes Free church

Holiday from Home

Wed 30th July to Friday 1st August.

£10.00 per day.

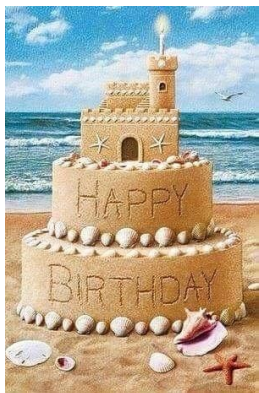
Please phone Teresa by Wednesday
23rd July if you'd like to attend.

07956 872262.



Baptist Missionary Society World Mission Birthday Scheme

There are two people with birthdays coming up, that of **Annette Wilson** on Wednesday 23rd and **Sarah Whelan** on 24th July.



We all wish both ladies a very Happy Birthday and on behalf of **BMS** thank them for their gifts to the birthday scheme.

“This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it”

Birthdays are days of rejoicing, and Psalm 118:24 captures that joyful spirit. Every day is a gift from God, and this verse reminds us to be glad in the moment and to appreciate the life He has given.

PICNIC SUNDAY AT CHURCH NEXT WEEK - 27th July

Please bring your own food and drinks so that everyone can enjoy spending time with one another basking in sunshine, companionship, and friendship. We can picnic on the front lawn or in the coffee area and small garden. If we all take our lunch boxes, empty drinks bottles etc. home with us there will be no need for anyone to wash up!

Editor.



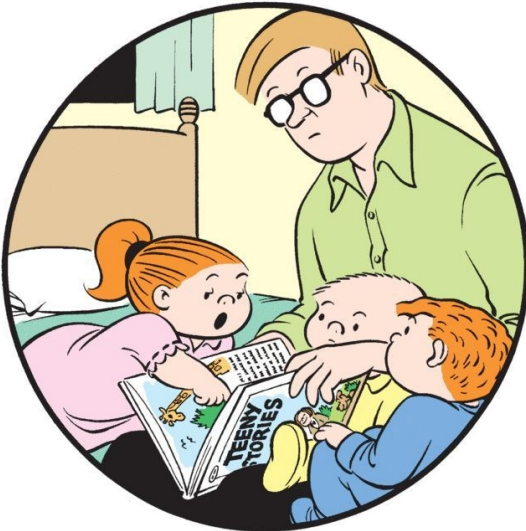
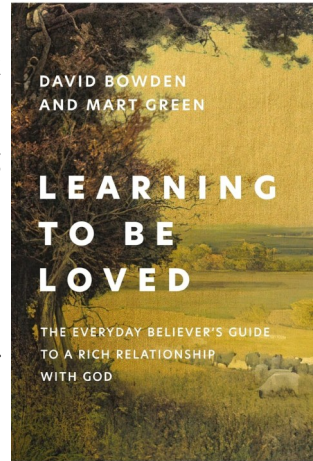
BOOK CLUB

In September there will be a new book club starting. This will be held on the second Monday of the month starting at 7.30pm at 156 Woodland Way, West Wickham BR4 9LU.

The idea is that a book is set for the month and then we all get together for some chat and refreshments and discuss the book.

The first get together will be on Monday September 8th. The first book is going to be 'Learning to be loved' by David Bowden and Mart Green. It can be purchased on Amazon and there is a paperback (£11.99) and kindle version (10.99) or an audio version which is free at the moment.

Carol Haydon.



**"Where does it say,
"To be continued
tomorrow night?"**

**"A life-changing book."
—CRAIG GROESCHEL**

Are you feeling spiritually stuck no matter what you try? Release that frustration and discover a more freeing way to relate to God. In *Learning to Be Loved*, author and founder of Spoken Gospel David Bowden and Hobby Lobby's Mart Green remind us that spiritual growth starts not with giving but with receiving. This dynamic invitation to respond to God's pursuit of us explores:

- Common misconceptions that can hold back spiritual growth
- Practical "doors"—such as forgiveness, wounds, and generosity—that can help you connect with God in the places he's already pursuing you
- Ways you can receive God's love as the foundation for a rich relationship with him
- Practices to help you partner with God in living your own spiritual story rather than comparing yourself with others

Learning to Be Loved unites biblical rigor and relatable personal experience to show that intimacy with God is based not on our ability to connect with him but on all the ways he constantly connects with us.



DAVID BOWDEN is the cofounder and executive director of the nonprofit Spoken Gospel, which creates free resources that help people encounter Jesus in all of Scripture. He is a spoken-word poet and the author of *When God Isn't There* and *Rewire Your Heart*. David lives in Oklahoma City with his wife, Meagan, and two boys, Ezra and Eli.



MART GREEN is the founder of Mardel Christian and Education, as well as the ministry investment officer and a board member for Hobby Lobby. Mart has been married to his wife, Diana, for more than forty years. They have four adult children, three children-in-law, and thirteen grandchildren.

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Community Lunch,



This was our last meal
before the summer.

We look forward to
meeting again in
September.

A well earned rest for
everyone drivers,
cooks, washers up,

hosts and furniture
movers, not forgetting
the musicians.

It has been our delight
to bring the love of
Jesus to our lively
guests.

**Christine &
the Catering team**





NEWSLETTER

I will be taking a Sabbath from producing our Newsletter for the month of August.

Next Sunday, 27th July will be the last issue for 5 Sundays. It will be back on the first Sunday of September (which is 7th).

I hope you all have a wonderful summer. **Sue (Editor)**

Yesterday Bill bought a map of the world. He then gave me a dart, and told me to throw it, and wherever it lands, he will take me there on holiday.

This year, we're spending three weeks behind the Fridge.

Sometimes I like to annoy Bill and hide his stuff where he can't find it. So I put his shoes in the hall cupboard, his jacket on the hanger and his keys on the key hook.

When I was a child, there were no phones or tablets. I use to read the cereal box at breakfast.

Yesterday, Bill thought he saw a cockroach in the kitchen. He sprayed everything down and cleaned thoroughly. Today I am putting the cockroach in the bathroom.

Mr Mrs Pickles!

My health may fail,
and my spirit may
grow weak, but God
remains the strength
of my heart; He is
mine forever.

Psalms 73:26



If you see someone
wearing camouflage,
make sure to walk
right into them
so they know it's
working



My clothes are
divided into three
categories; summer,
winter, and in case
I lose the weight

Finance ...

If you would like to make a donation to the work of the church, as a gift or worship offering, there is a donation box on the wall by the doors on the way out.

Our church is entirely self-financed, therefore we are very grateful for all donations received. If you'd like to financially support God's work at CHBC, either as a one-off gift or on a regular basis, you can

at: **'Coney Hill Baptist Church'**

Account Number: 40247227 — Sort Code: 40-46-20.

We give 10% of our non-restricted gifted income to mission organisations that we support. If you would like more details on this aspect of our work, please contact our treasurer.



Thank you.

Hayes Community Food Bank

A basket has been placed at the back of the church for your food donations to the Hayes Community Food Bank. Every item placed in there really does make a difference!

Alternatively, financial donations can be made via our treasurer (cash or cheques made to 'Hayes Community Foodbank'), or the Foodbank's bank details can be provided. In addition to food donations, each week volunteers go shopping to make sure that supported families receive what they need.

Thank you.

Hayes

Community Foodbank

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday to Friday (term time only) Jigsaw Preschool

Monday to Friday - 9.15 to 12.15pm - (5 morning sessions)

Wed, Thurs, and Friday - 12.15 to 3.13pm - (3 afternoon sessions)

MONDAY

Men's Breakfast - 1st Monday every month - 9.00am

Women's Breakfast - 1st Monday every month - 9.00am

House-group - 10:30am at the Church

Youth Group (11-16) - 7.30 to 9.00pm.

TUESDAY

Stay & Play Cafe - 9.00am - 12.30pm

Under 5's Lunch Club - 12.15pm

Painting group at Hayes Village Hall - 1.15 to 4pm

Women's Fellowship 2.00pm to 4.00pm

WEDNESDAY

Coffee and Craft 1st Wednesday every month - 10.30 to noon

Community Lunch - 3rd Wednesday every month - 12.30PM

Messy church at Hayes Village Hall - 2nd Wednesday every month 3.15 - 4.45pm - Churches Together in Hayes ministry.

West Wickham (special needs) **Cubs & Scout Group** - 6.30 to 8.30pm

House-group's x 2 - 8.00 to 10.00pm

THURSDAY

Slimming World - 5.30pm & 7.00pm

FRIDAY

Prayer Meeting - 9.30 to 10.30am - in person @ Church

'Pitstop' Table Tennis - 7.30 to 9.30pm

SATURDAY

Pilates 10.00 to 11.00am

Games Evening (3rd Saturday of every month) - 7 to 9pm