



Welcome to Coney Hill Baptist Church

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Sunday 7th December 2025 - TOY SERVICE

Preparing with Peace: Luke 2:8-14

The peaceful promise of the angels...

“Glory to God
in highest heaven, and peace
on earth to those with whom
God is pleased”
verse 14.



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 WEDNESDAY Thank you).

THANK YOU Sarah & Chris for making the 'TEA & COFFEE' for us all this morning, it is very much appreciated.

Dec 14th - David & Eileen

Dec 21st - Bob & Christine

Dec 28th - Henry & Henrietta



THE BLESSING FAMILY!



Children are a gift from the Lord;

They are a reward from him -

Psalm 127:3 NLT

**"How do angels get their
nightshirts on over
their wings?"**



Advent Season ...

30th November – **Preparing with Hope:** Luke 2:25-32
Simeon's hopeful waiting... (communion)

7th December – **Preparing with Peace:** Luke 2:8-14
The peaceful promise of the angels...
(Toy Service)

The gifts from the Toy Service will be going to the
West Wickham & Shirley Baptist Baby Bank, this year.

14th December – **Preparing with Joy:** Luke 1:39-49
Mary's delight...

Carol Service (6:30pm)

Preparing with Love: Micah 5:2, 4-5
Welcoming God's surprising, loving presence...

21st December – **Nativity Service**

Christmas Eve – **Children's Stay & Play**
Craft & Carols (3-4:30pm)

Christmas Day – **Festive Celebration**
(10:30am)





‘Community Festive Film Night’

Thursday 18th December from 7:30pm

A special free showing of “It’s a Wonderful Life’ at
Coney Hill Baptist Church, Coney Hill Road, BR4 9BU
including seasonal refreshments.



Please confirm attendance via email
to pastor@coneyhillbaptist.org.uk

Website: www.coneyhillbaptist.org.uk

Please join us to celebrate

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

at St Francis of Assisi Church, Ravenswood Ave, BR4 0PW



Come along to St Francis Church to view the trees, enjoy some refreshments, listen to festive music and get ready for Christmas.

We will be raising money for Welcare in Bromley, a charity that provides practical and emotional support and advice to families in need.

The Christmas Tree Festival will be held between
13-20 December 2025 during the following times:

Saturday 13 December – 10.00am – 1.00pm

Sunday 14 December – 12.00noon – 3.00pm

Wednesday 17 December – 10.30am – 1.00pm

Friday 19 December – 10.00am – 1.00pm

Saturday 20 (with Children's Activities) – 10.00am – 1.00pm

FREE ENTRY





**New Monthly Winter
Mid-Week Programme:
FOR (the rest of) DECEMBER . . .**

Mon 8th - Book Club

Tues 9th - Shared Advent Prayer Time venue tbc

Weds 10th - Messy Church

Weds 10th - Community Lunch

Tues 16th - Shared Advent Prayer Time @ Coney Hill

Thurs. 18th - Christmas Film Night - 'It's a Wonderful Life'

Sat 20th - Games Evening

Sun 21st - 'Listening' Worship & Prayer

Happy Christmas from Coney Hill Baptist Church

You will be very welcome to join us at any of these celebrations. . .

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Sunday 14th December @ 6:30pm - Carols by candlelight Service
Carols, Candles and Mince pies

Sunday 21st December @ 10:30am - Nativity Service
Re-telling the Christmas story for everyone

Christmas Eve @ 3 - 4:30pm - Children's Stay & Play
Carols & Craft, Fun & Songs

Christmas Day @ 10:30am – Whole family Christmas Celebration
Sharing all together, on the very best of days!



DOUBLE IT DECEMBER:

OPEN THE DOOR TO HOPE THIS CHRISTMAS

MATCH FUNDING

Thanks to an incredible group of match funders, we have **£40,000 of match funding** available – meaning **all donations in December will be doubled until we reach that target**. That means we have the **potential to raise a massive £80,000** – funds that would be transformational for what we can achieve in 2026 and beyond. Donations to **all of our projects** (in Haiti, Uganda *and* South Sudan) are eligible for matching. The match will run from November 27th until December 31st, inclusive.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

This year's campaign theme is **'Open the Door to Hope'**. We've been inspired by the nativity story – by the innkeeper who opened his door when everyone else turned Mary and Joseph away. At a time when so many around the world feel forgotten after a devastating year for international aid, we want to say: **we're still here**. And we're still opening the door. This match funding is an extraordinary opportunity for us to reach further and do more.

**Learn more or donate here: [https://
www.hopehealthaction.org/doubleitdecember](https://www.hopehealthaction.org/doubleitdecember)**

With your support we can have such a tangible impact - and that's truer than ever during this month, when any donation will go twice as far.

To give you some context. . .

£5 would be doubled to £10, and could pay for a postnatal home visit for a new mum in Haiti;

£15 becomes £30, and could buy seeds and tools for a vulnerable refugee family in Uganda;

£65 becomes £130, and could pay for a brand new, custom made prosthetic leg, enabling someone - like Mambo, who you'll meet in the campaign film - to walk for the first time.



Your generosity could make a real difference this Christmas.

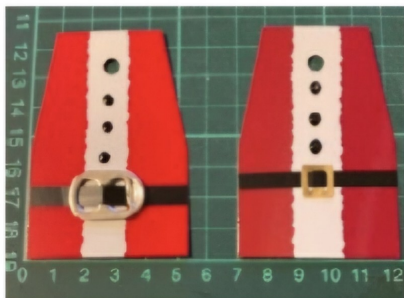
If you can spare a few minutes, we'd really encourage you to watch this short and heartwarming video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6lc6kFG0o18>



I have made some Santa tags to sell for Children in Need.

There are 2 different options – the ones on the right are suitable for all as the buckle is cut from gold card. (Limited supply of this version.) The ones on the left have a metal buckle so would be unsuitable for younger children.



I am charging £2 for a pack of 5 tags, with 5 pieces of ribbon also included. ****100% of any funds received will be passed to Children in Need when all of my fundraising activities for this year are concluded****

If anyone would like some tags, please e-mail me at: pudsey_sb@btinternet.com and advise how many packs and which version of the tags you would like.

I will advise the bank account details for payment/ donations to be made by return and will arrange delivery of your tags as soon as possible. *(Cash also accepted, just a case of working that out with you.)*

Thank you

Sally Brown

Stay & Play!

CHRISTMAS EVE

Wednesday 24th December

3:00 — 4:30pm



**Play, festive crafts,
refreshments, followed by
a short time of carols
around the tree.**

ALL FREE.

(donations are welcome, cash or card machine)

Children must be accompanied by an Adult

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New Year Nibbles

to greet the New Year
together on
Saturday 3rd January
at 50 Addington Road
10.00-12.00.

Everyone is welcome.

14 “You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. **15** Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house.

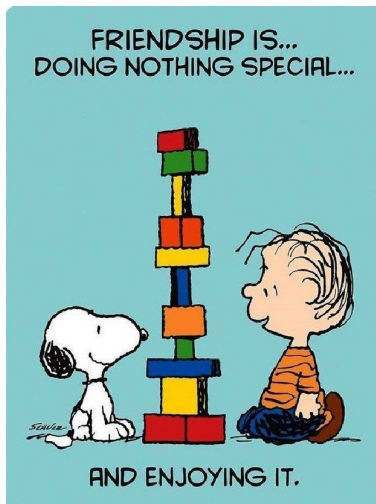
16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.”



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.

Psalm 73:26





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:

Alison Newell – 020 8249 2129 / 07913 923779

Chris Cordingley – 07446 829345

safeguarding@coneyhillbaptist.org.uk

RECORDING & PHOTOGRAPHY ...

Our services are live streamed via **Facebook**. Generally we do not show the faces of members of the congregation, if you wish to ensure that you do not appear in any way you may wish to sit in the back few rows.

Taking photographs in our building should be kept to a minimum and never shared on social media without the consent of all who might appear on them.



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.

Book Club - 2nd Monday every month 7.30pm

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

House-group - 8.00 to 10.00pm

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 - 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