



Coney Hill Baptist Church

Demonstrating God's Love Together

Sunday 6th September 2026



**Welcome to our
Sunday Morning
Service 10:30 am**

Mission: To Boldly Go

Mission as Sustaining Creation

For all creation waits in eager expectation...

Romans 8:18-25

**Join us after the service for tea & coffee and
a chance to meet people & have a chat**



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"***

Sunday Programme Summer 2026

Mission: To Boldly Go



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13th Sept - Rev. Paul Hill

Church Family Prayers

As we enter a new week, let's remember these members of our church family in prayer.

May God strengthen and encourage each one.

- Derek Evans
- June Evans
- Bob Fisher
- Andy Fitch
- Karen Fitch

Church News



Happy Anniversary Brian & Helen Lightoller

Today, our church family rejoices together as we celebrate the forthcoming Diamond Wedding Anniversary of our dear friends Brian and Helen, taking place on 10th September.

We give thanks to God for the many years they have shared in marriage and for all they have faithfully done for the Lord throughout that time.

We have been richly blessed by their presence and ministries at Coney Hill Baptist Church, Hayesford Park Church, and

Deep Water in Hayes, across so many of those years. Their service has touched lives far beyond our own fellowship, and we honour the impact they have made.

We pray that this anniversary will be filled with joy, gratitude, and meaningful moments as they mark this very special milestone.

Thank you, Brian and Helen, for all you have given to us and to one another.

May God continue to bless you both for many years to come.



September Mission Focus



Hayes Community Foodbank

Bromley is a great place to live!

The London Borough of Bromley has a population of about 330,000, comfortably spread out over 58 square miles. It has excellent transport links, good schools, good leisure facilities, lots

of green spaces, good restaurants, the Churchill Theatre and Bromley FC!

Its many famous residents include Enid Blyton, H.G. Wells, David Bowie, W.G. Grace and William Pitt. There is high employment and high home ownership. Only 1.42% is local authority housing. It has been voted the best London Borough to bring up young families. Bromley is one of the best run councils in London. Our Council Tax rates are relatively low. Bromley has the second lowest poverty rate (15%) of all London Boroughs.

So... why do we need foodbanks!???

In and around Hayes, people are shocked to find out that there is financial hardship in the area severe enough that people can't afford to buy food for their families.

This became more visible during Covid lockdown when parents of school children who usually receive free school meals were struggling to afford food for their children at home. The schools PTAs and local churches got together to collect and distribute donations of food and The Hayes Community Food Bank came into being. Six years later, now a registered charity, it has grown considerably and runs out of Hayes Free Church in Pickhurst Lane.

The Foodbank actively supports 66 households and a further 108 households in the past. So in six years we have supported 174 families – hundreds and hundreds of children and adults.

We have a different operating model to most other foodbanks. Instead of a walk-in service, we deliver bespoke food and toiletry packages to the homes of the families that we support. As well as being one of the Trustees I'm a delivery driver, so I see first hand the impact that the service has and just how grateful the recipients are. Excited children have called me the kind food man; I've been told what a massive difference it makes to know that someone cares; there's been tears, laughs and hundreds of Big Thank You moments!

The Foodbank has always depended entirely on two things in order to operate: volunteers and donations.

We have an amazing team of volunteers. Teams of sorters, packers and delivery drivers who give their time and talents week in, week out, selflessly to support others.

Donations come from numerous sources and in different forms. Six years since we began, the Hayes community continues to support us with donations of food and hygiene items each week. Some people bring their donations to the church, while others donate via collection points in Hayes shops. We also receive fresh food from FareShare and fresh bread, cakes and pastries from a local bakery each week. In addition, large quantities of items are donated via local churches, schools and fairs, at Harvest and Christmas, and just before the school summer holidays. Everything donated is carefully sorted and distributed by our volunteers.

In addition to donations of physical items, we also receive financial contributions from the public, from churches and from businesses, and we are sometimes awarded grants too. This money is used to fill the gaps.

Everyone involved with Hayes Community Foodbank is essential to its continued operation. It is clear that people care, deeply, about what we are doing. The reliability and efficiency of our volunteers and their cheerful willingness to do what is needed, rising to any challenge, coupled with the generous donations and support we receive from local people and businesses, all make what we do possible.

The objective of the charity is:

The relief of financial hardship, in Hayes, Kent, by the provision of food through a community foodbank'

It is, I think, helpful to regularly revisit this as it is the core of our work. However, it's not just a food provision; we have helped with rehousing, clothing and furniture, as well as linking with schools, social services, environmental health, social prescribers and local councillors.

Most importantly, though, through our amazing team of volunteers, we continue to build relationships with people, many of whom feel as though there is no one 'out there' to help them. Our drivers play a key role in making people feel at ease and they offer a non-judgemental listening ear. To be heard is incredibly powerful, particularly if you have few people in your life to listen.

Links with the local secondary schools have not only given us valuable donations but have also sent willing volunteers through



the Duke of Edinburgh scheme. The Thursday team are great at welcoming these young people and showing them the ropes. Valuable skills like teamwork, stock management, food hygiene, packing and sorting are taught, but we are also showing them the value of community and what it means to be part of a compassionate community.

With ever-increasing bills and changes to working conditions and the benefit system, things look bleak for the most vulnerable in our community. Looking ahead it will be key to build on existing relationships, like Trussell Trust and TBB, to work together to inform, encourage and enable people with the view of breaking the cycle of poverty.

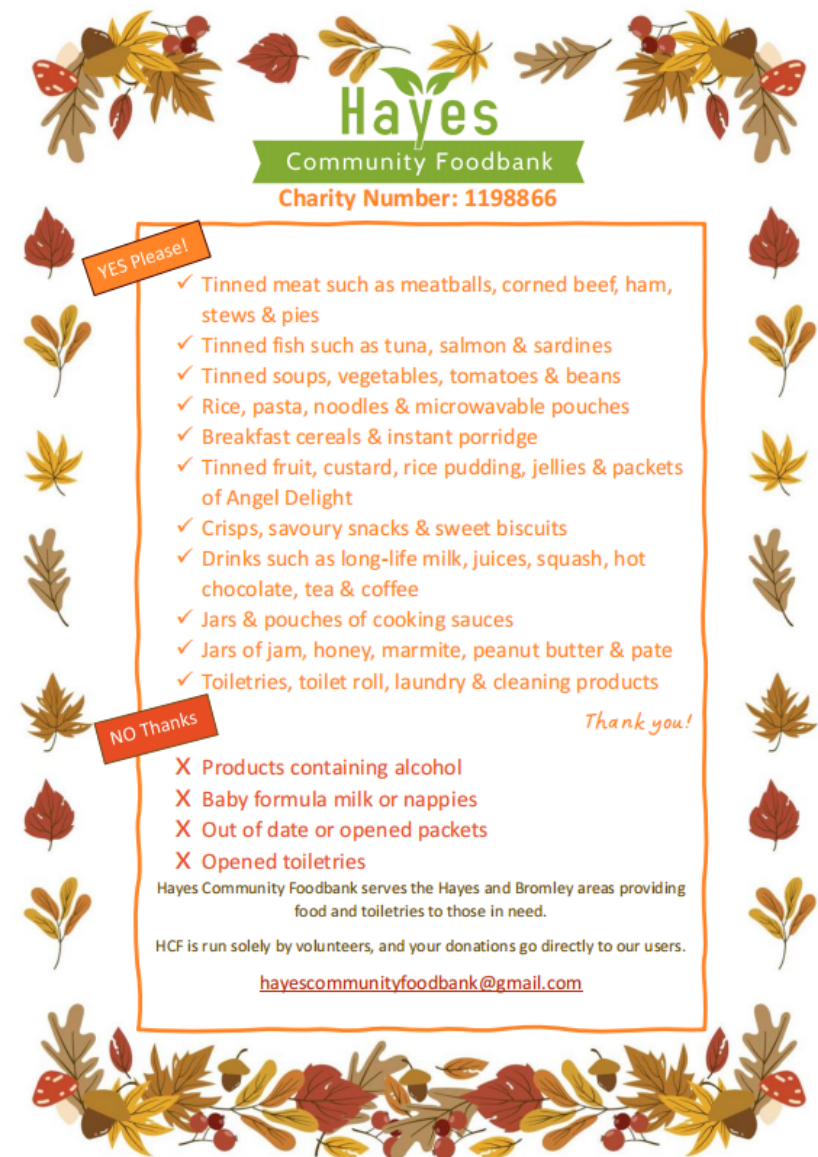
We need to continue to make the voices of those we support heard. Many local people are shocked that there is the need for a foodbank here in Hayes. Raising awareness of the issues occurring in the lives of our community that lead to deprivation is key to understanding that action needs to be taken.

Trying to establish greater engagement with our local councillors by telling them what we are encountering in their Wards, in particular the poor standard of housing and lack of housing experienced by the most vulnerable in our communities.

It can seem like an overwhelming task, so please pray for God's wisdom and strength as well as practical provision. His Love is unfailing and always makes a real difference for good.

On behalf of Hayes Community Food Bank and the families that we support,

THANK YOU! Andy



BMS Birthdays

Belated happy birthday wishes to Rodney Wilson on 4th September.
Happy birthday to Val Kendrick tomorrow, 7th September.

We hope you have a great day, and thank you for your support and gift to the BMS birthday scheme.



A big thank you to

David & Eileen

For coffee, tea and biscuits after the service.

Very much appreciated.

Church Dates

A reminder of some of the events that are just around the corner.

- 'Threads through Revelation' - 3rd September to 7th October an exhibition at Southwark Cathedral (Christine)
- Jigsaw Preschool starts 8th September
- CHBC Cleaning day - 12th September 9:00 - 14:00 (Rodney)
- Community Lunch - 16th September 12:30pm
- Cubs & Scouts (SEND) - restarts 16th September 6:30pm - 8:30pm
- Cake & Chat - 19th September 10:00 - 12:00 at Bob & Christine's



DO YOU KNOW ANYONE LIVING WITH DEMENTIA OR MEMORY LOSS?

We have activities, games, conversation, music, singing and friendship for them and their friends or family.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL 07375 866812 or find us on Facebook Memory Box Dementia Café West Wickham

MEMORY BOX DEMENTIA CAFÉ

Richmond Hall
Emmanuel Church
The Grove
West Wickham
BR4 9JS

1st and 3rd Friday
of every month
2pm - 3.30pm

MOVE WITH MEMORY BOX

(seated exercise
class)

2nd and 4th Friday
of every month
2pm - 4pm
including
refreshments

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I am a Christian

Carol Wimmer ©1988

When I say "I am a Christian"
I'm not shouting "I am saved."
I'm whispering "I get lost"
That is why I chose this way.

When I say "I am a Christian"
I don't speak of this with pride.
I'm confessing that I stumble
And need someone to be my guide.

When I say "I am a Christian"
I'm not trying to be strong.
I'm professing that I am weak
And pray for strength to carry on.

When I say "I am a Christian"
I'm not bragging of success.
I'm admitting I have failed
And cannot ever pay the debt.

When I say "I am a Christian"
I'm not claiming to be perfect.
My flaws are too visible
But God believes I'm worth it.

When I say "I am a Christian"
I still feel the sting of pain.
I have my share of heartaches
Which is why I seek HIS name.

When I say "I am a Christian"
I do not wish to judge.
I have no authority
I only know I'm loved.

Safeguarding

We want everybody with whom we come into contact to feel welcomed, safe and secure at all times. Our safeguarding strategy is designed to ensure this.

If you have any questions about it, or if you wish to register or report any concerns, please speak to our Minister or one of our Safeguarding advocates, who are:

- Carol Haydon - 07941 001 996;
- Alison Newall - 020 8249 2129 / 07913 923 779;
- Chris Cordingley - 07446 829 345
- Email - safeguarding@coneyhillbaptist.org.uk



Recording & Photography

Our services are live-streamed via Facebook and YouTube.

Generally, we do not show the faces of members of the congregation. However, if you wish to ensure that you do not appear, you should 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 in them.



Finance

If you would like to make a donation to the church's work, please use the donation box on the wall by the doors on your way out.

Our church is entirely self-financed, and 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 give by bank transfer to:

Coney Hill Baptist Church: Sort Code: 40-46-20,

Account Number: 40247227

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.



Hayes Community Foodbank

A basket has been placed at the back of the church for your food donations to the **Hayes Community Food Bank**. Every item donated really makes a difference.

Alternatively, financial donations can be made via our treasurer (cash or cheques made out to 'Hayes Community Foodbank'), or the Food Bank's bank details can be provided.

Thank you



Motto for 2026

John 10:27

'My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me'

**Reflecting on our call, this year, to listen and to follow,
to hear, as well as to act....**

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Deadline for content Thursday afternoon

Church Activities

Monday to Friday (term time only) **Jigsaw Preschool** Monday to Friday - 9:15am to 12:15pm - (5 morning sessions) Wed, Thurs, and Friday - 12:15pm to 3:15pm - (3 afternoon sessions)

Monday

House-group - 10:30am at the Church
Youth Group - (11-16) - 7:30pm to 9:00pm.

Men's Breakfast - 1st Monday every month - 9:00am
Women's Breakfast - 1st Monday every month - 9:00am
Pop In Cafe - 2nd & 4th Monday 10:30am to Noon
Book Club - 2nd Monday every month 7:30pm

Tuesday

Stay & Play Cafe - 9:15am - 12:15pm
Under 5's Lunch Club - 12:15pm
Painting group at Hayes Village Hall - 1:15pm to 4:00pm
Women's Fellowship - 2:00pm to 4:00pm
House-group - 8.00pm contact Rodney Wilson - 07834 814 721

Wednesday

Cubs/Scout Group - (special needs) - 6:30pm to 8:30pm
House-group - 8:00pm contact David Bird 07729 740 020
Coffee and Craft 1st Wednesday every month - 10:30am to Noon
Community Lunch - 3rd Wednesday every month - 12:30pm
Messy Church at Hayes Village Hall - 2nd Wednesday every month 3:15 pm - 4:45pm - Churches Together in Hayes ministry

Thursday

Slimming World - 5:30pm & 7:00pm

Friday

Prayer Meeting - 9:30am - at the Church
'Pitstop' Table Tennis - 7:30pm to 9:30pm

Saturday

Pilates 10:00am to 11:00am

Games Evening 3rd Saturday of every month - 7:00pm to 9:00pm

Sunday

Morning service 10:30am including
Sunday School (Footsteps) 3 - 14 year-olds

'Listening Evening' 3rd Sunday of the month 7:00pm to 8:00pm