



The Church that meets at Bethel

Hill Street, Wollescote, Stourbridge, West Midlands, DY9 8TL



Activities & Prayer Diary

26th January - 2nd February 2025

Sunday	26	10.30am 6.00pm	Morning Service Evening Service
Monday	27	8.30am 9.30am 12.30pm 1.00pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Knit & Natter Little Lambs Pre-School BIBO <i>Support for those with breathing difficulties</i>
Tuesday	28	8.30am 12.30pm 5.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Lambs Pre-School Cancer Peer Support Group
Wednesday	29	8.30am 12.30pm 12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Lambs Pre-School Cornerstone
Thursday	30	8.30am 9.30am 12.30pm 4.00pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Acorns Toddler Group Little Lambs Pre-School Prayer Meeting
Friday	31	8.30am 2.00pm 7.00pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Feel Good Friday Friday Night Icebreakers
Saturday	1		
Sunday	2	10.30am 6.00pm	Morning Service Evening Service

All streamed services can be found on YouTube at www.youtube.com/@BethelChapelLye/streams and are also linked from our website www.bethelchapel.org.uk/news/

For Your Prayers

- Please continue to pray for Ken and Bessie Priest. The decision has been made for both Ken and Bessie to remain at home with extra carers and help. Please pray for this all to be sorted out, and for Vivienne as she tries to put everything into place for both of their best interests.
- Please hold Jane Hart in your prayers - the bronchiectasis causes her real breathing problems, and makes her feel so very tired all the time. She awaits results from a barium meal x-ray. As always, please ask the Lord to heal her.
- Please keep on keeping on bringing before God beautiful baby Mila, who has sadly been diagnosed as having cerebral palsy in all four limbs. Please continue to pray for our Lord to reach out and heal this little girl.
- Please pray for Jacqui Davies' niece Katie. Sadly, the lumpectomy resulted in a positive diagnosis for an aggressive cancer. She began her chemotherapy last week. Please ask the Lord to intervene and heal her.
- Please keep Lynda in your prayers. Despite the memory problems, and slowness of speech, she is doing really well. Please pray for strength, determination and God's peace within as we continue to walk with her throughout her dementia journey.
- Please continue to hold Jacq in your prayers, asking the Lord to bring His healing touch on her life for all the left-behind, post-cancer, post-radiotherapy treatment damage. Please pray that the Lord will reach out and heal her, restoring her health. Please pray that the solutions discussed for the lymphedema will bring her some relief.
- Please continue to hold Johnny Bass in your prayers as he carries on with his chemotherapy tablets. As always, please continue to pray for John to be healed.
- Please keep Joyce and Roy in your prayers. It's been a really difficult week with Joyce being ambulanced into hospital on Wednesday. She came home late that night, but really needs to recover from exhaustion. We are actively seeking some emergency care for Roy, but as yet (Friday afternoon) no signs of a temporary placement. Please ask the Lord to help her with increased strength and energy so that after a break for recuperation, she can be well enough to continue to look after Roy 24/7 and for healing and restoration for them both.
- Please hold Beryl and Julie in your prayers. Julie has been in hospital this week for a liver biopsy. It's done, so we now await results. Prayers please that all will be well. Ask the Lord to keep the seizures away, and help for her with the fibromyalgia pain. Beryl continues to struggle with arthritis - the cold weather is making her ache so much, and of course, concern for Julie is always on her mind. Please pray for the Lord to help and strengthen them both.
- Would you please keep our lovely Betty, who comes along to Feel Good Fridays, in your prayers. Please pray for her to gain a little strength back.
- Would you please continue to pray for Philip, one of our Cancer Peer Support group. Please continue to pray that upcoming tests, scans and consultations will all go well for him.
- Please pray for Sylv and Arthur Watson, Arthur has bladder cancer and after a delay due to other infections he has now started weekly chemo until April, when he will have a break and review. Sylv had her cataract operation done and is doing well. Please continue to keep them both in your prayers.
- Please pray for a successful operation on her knee for Rita Q, and a speedy recovery so that she can be back with us soon. Pray too for Charlotte her granddaughter who seems to have continuous health problems. Please pray that this can be identified and sorted out for her.
- Would you please keep in your prayers all of our Sunday and Cornerstone bids, especially Des, Sam and Julia, who are currently in Nursing Homes. Please keep in your prayers Win Parker, who is at home following the operation for her broken hip, but she still awaits help with her hearing and the removal of the cataracts that so restrict her eyesight. Prayers please too for Janet B who is still very poorly, at home at the moment but with a bad reaction against the chemo, June who is still in hospital, Pat Hall who hasn't been well enough to be with us for quite a while and Janet C who is now in step-down, and doing well with her physiotherapy. Please continue to pray that they will all be well enough to be back with us at Cornerstone very soon. [A reminder that it is Harry's funeral this Friday, 31st Jan, at Stourbridge Crematorium at 10.20am.](#)
- Please pray for our Little Lambs staff, children and parents and for all our children and young people at nursery/school/college and university.

Prayers, Notes and News

- Please keep in your prayers Bethel Treasures Heaven Scent. If you have any free time at all and are willing to use that to serve the Lord through Bethel Treasures Heaven Scent, please let us know ASAP. Special prayers please for Di Truepenney, who has had her hip replacement operation and is now recovering. Please pray that it heals well and helps remove the pain and mobility problems.
- Please pray for Caleb, Eva and Carl for the Lord to intervene and make Himself known to them.
- Please continue to pray for all those caught up in the horrific wildfires in LA, with more fires breaking out this week, so much devastation for the people and environment there.

Pray for Peace - Israel

As the ceasefire in Gaza continues, please pray that all the hostages are released, along with the Palestinian prisoners. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem and for the whole of the Middle East region - so Biblically important in these "last days."



Pray for Peace - Ukraine



Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that

in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine, and for all the world.

Nominate us! Movement for Good

A new year and new nominations are needed for the Movement for Good £1000 grants - they don't roll over from last year. If you can please take a moment to nominate us. The deadline for the first round of nominations is **today, Sunday 26th Jan**. Please go to <https://movementforgood.com/index.php?cn=1001260&ct=community> to nominate Bethel for one of their £1000 donations - our charity number is 1001260 if you need it but it should be there on this link. Many thanks.

Rotas for 2025

The new rotas are now available for you to pick up from the post table at the front of church.

Also, the **Prayer & Fasting rota** has 3 dates still available for Feb and 5 gaps still to fill in March.

Bethel Treasures Heaven Scent



How would you like to join this lovely lot? (*minus our MP who came to visit this week!*) Volunteers still needed for Bethel Treasures Heaven Scent - please let us know if you would like to give it a try.

Social Events

We have been trying to put together a programme of fun social events for the next few months, but we need your help! If you have any ideas of what would be a great event to put on, have some inspiration on places to visit or people/groups to contact to come here, etc, we would love for you to get involved. Some of them can be fundraisers as a side benefit, or we can just cover our costs on others, as long as we are able to enjoy some time together as a church family (we particularly need some good ideas for those in the 20 - 40 age range!) We are therefore having an 'Ideas Night' on **Monday 10th February**, shall we say from 7pm? (if this time doesn't work, let us know and we can see if there is a better time for everyone) If you can't make the date at all, please let the office have your ideas before the meeting so that they can be included. Many thanks.

Upcoming Dates

Thursday 20th Feb, 6pm - Pathfinders/breakers Movie Night

Saturday 8th Mar, 2pm - Ladies Cuppa & Cake Afternoon

Valentines Raffle

Jane & Paul have organised a Valentines Raffle. There are lots of lovely prizes on the table at the front of church. If you would like to have a go, please help yourself to raffle tickets and pop the money in the basket. All proceeds to go towards Bethel's sound system.

Holocaust Memorial Service

Christian Friends of Israel UK and CMJ invite you to a Holocaust Memorial Service **this Monday, 27th January** at 7.30pm at St James Wesleyan Reform Church, Highgate St, Cradley Heath, B64 5SA. More info available from Dave Walker on 01384 567042.

BETHEL'S VISION:

To turn the lost into the found & the faithless into the faithful

Rota <i>Please remember if you are unable to make your 'duty' to contact one of the other people on the rota to arrange to swap</i>	This week 26 Jan	Next Week 2 Feb
Sunday door welcome	Nigel Cook	Bev Southall
Flowers arranged by	Jane Hodges	Clare & Jorja R
Sunday coffee/tea	Mariann Smith	Jane H & Clare J
Sunday morning Vacuuming	Andy Parkes	Barbara Green

PRAYER AND FASTING ROTA		
Sun	26	Mariann Smith
Mon	27	Jacqui Davies
Tue	28	Hayley Marrison
Wed	29	Jill Berry
Thu	30	Caron & Martyn
Fri	31	Nigel Cook
Sat	1	Jane Hodges
Sun	2	Jane Hart

The flowers in church this week have been provided by

Mariann Smith in memory of her dad
Denise Branson in memory of her mum Gwen
Eileen Parkes in memory of her husband Anthony who passed away a year ago today
Hayley Marrison in celebration of her 40th birthday today and to remember her nan Doris

