

BCBC News

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Sunday 5th February



Welcome as we gather for worship today. Our Worship is being led by one of our Elders Bunmi Durojaiye and we welcome Israel Olofinjana who will be bringing us God's Word from Ephesians 2:11-22.

Service Outline for today:

Opening Worship

- Welcome and Call to Worship
- SF: 559 To God be the glory
Reading: 1 John 4: 7 – 12
- Prayer
- SF: 268 I will enter His gates
SF: 553 This is the day
- SF: 92 Father God I wonder

Children's Corner

Notices & Offering

- SF: 299 Jesus put this song into our hearts
Children and Young People go to their classes.

Word

- Ephesians 2:11-22
- Prayers of intercession
- SF: 1346 In Christ alone
- Sermon: Israel Olofinjana

Closing Worship

- Response
- SF: 289 Jesus is King
- Benediction

All songs and readings will be on our big screen. We also have a loop system.

Please come and join us downstairs for Tea, Coffee and fellowship after our service.

Weekly Programme

CornerStop Café is now open again from 9:30 am until 12:30 pm on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Monday

Meetings in Minnie Bennett – Please speak to Barbara for details.

Tuesday

Cheeky Monkeys – 9:30 am until 11:30 am. Please speak to Mary Frost for more details.

Wednesday

Choir Practice at 8 pm – please speak to Doug Frost.

Thursday

Needlecraft Circle will opening again – 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.

Friday

Youth programme at 6:30 – please speak to Chris for details.

Saturday

If you are interested in playing Football, please speak to Chris Rose.

Home Groups

Please speak to your Home Group leader or Joyce Beak for details of meetings during February.

Join our Choir

There have been a number of requests for us to start our Choir practices again and so we will be meeting starting this Wednesday (8th February). Through our Praise & Worship, we seek to lead people into the presence of God and know His nearness and closeness. So if you feel that this is a ministry into which God is calling you, please come along. New and old members will be most welcome.

For more information about any of our Church activities or to talk to our Secretary Doug Frost. Call him on 020 8244 0345 or mobile: 07578 436 366.

Martin Seymour Preaching with a View Sunday 12th February

Our Leadership Team have invited Revd. Martin Seymour to preach with a view to becoming our Minister on Sunday 12th February. There will be a Church lunch after the service when everyone will have an opportunity to talk to Martin. Then on Sunday the 19th February there will be a special Church meeting to consider whether we believe this is God's calling for Martin and us at BCBC.

We would be very grateful for people to contribute to the "Bring and Share" lunch on 12th February (Sunday week) when Martin comes to "Preach with a View."

There will be a list in the Vestibule for folk to say what food they wish to bring, or please speak to Belinda Dey.

Many thanks.

Belinda



Assembly Sunday February 2012

It's only a few months before the biggest Baptist event in the country comes to town. Beyond 400 is the theme for this year's historic Assembly and we are encouraging churches to get involved. 12.02.12 (12 February) has been set aside as Assembly Sunday and below are some top tips to make the day and the Assembly a success.

Please see the Assembly promotional leaflets and visit the Assembly website at www.baptistassembly.org.uk for further information.

For our continuing Prayers

Please continue to pray for Dave Broughton and all his Family as they mourn the sad loss of Win whose funeral was last Wednesday. Dave would like to say a big thankyou to everyone for their love, help, support and prayers

Lucie Lusty passed through that final gateway in life to be with her Lord on Friday 20th January. Lucie's funeral will be on Monday 20th February. There will be a service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving at BCBC (11:00 am) and the Committal will be at Eltham Crematorium Chapel at 12:30 pm. All are welcome to join us for refreshments at the Church.

Please remember Peter, Christopher, William, Claire, Michelle, the Grandchildren and Lucie's wider family and friends in your prayers. We give thanks for the life and witness of Lucie.

Please also remember Juliet Dadzie and Corby in your prayers as they mourn the sad loss of Juliet's Mother who has passed into eternity.

From the LBA

In my role here at the LBA and in all the various jobs I have had before, one thing has been central to enable me to function effectively - to be able to plan ahead and be organised. Those who know me well would probably testify to my ability to quote what is in my diary for the week ahead without checking it, telling what day of the week a certain long term future date falls upon, working the best value train route from A to B and so on..."If it's not in the diary, it's not happening" was a motto in one of my previous jobs! However, one word I would be surprised to hear used about me very often would be "spontaneous". I find it less easy to deal with things that come as a surprise or catch me off guard when I am not ready or when I am planning to be doing something else.

One thing I do feel God challenging me about at the moment is my readiness to respond to the opportunities he brings my way to serve Him and others, to witness His love when unexpected situations arise, and to be prepared to allow His Spirit to be at work, perhaps when humanly speaking it seems least likely to happen.

I really value the wisdom of the **Book of Proverbs** and regularly will return to read a chapter a day over the 31 days of a month. (Yes, I know this is February with only 29 days but it just means I get three chapters on leap year day!) If you are reading this on Friday, 3rd of the month, in **Chapter 3 v27/28 (NIV)**, I read:

"Do not withhold good from those who deserve it, when it is within your power to act. Do not say to your neighbour, "Come back later; I'll give it tomorrow" - when you have it with you now"

Jesus was always prepared to find time to encounter the people who came his way without insisting they had an appointment first!

I pray that we will all be ready to share His love and good news spontaneously with all those God leads us into contact with, that we do not treat doing His service as an interruption to what we had originally planned we wanted to do, and that as a result many more can be blessed with God's urgent love for today, through us as his open channels.

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