



# Woodley Baptist Church

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*'United in knowing Jesus and making Him known'*

**9<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

## **'GOSPEL OF JOHN'**

### **TODAY'S SERVICES**

**10.15am** Communion Service with John Saunders leading and Ben Edgington preaching - John 1:6-51

The service is also available from <http://www.woodleybc.org/sunday-service/online> or <https://www.facebook.com/WoodleyBaptistChurch>. You should be able to access the stream from about 10:05, with the Service beginning at 10:15.

It is no longer necessary to book in advance for the service but we will still be keeping a record of those who attend. Masks need to be worn at all times, in line with the latest government guidelines.

#### **Prayer Ministry**

Dave Robinson and Grace Hope will be available to pray with/for you in church after the service.

**6.30pm** Sunday Evening Prayer Hour

The Sunday evening prayer hour is continuing online each week for the foreseeable future. Everyone is welcome to join via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87827308029?pwd=Vi9wTldoejV0bjNwd2xnc3pwK3NyUT09>

Meeting ID: 878 2730 8029

Passcode: 503411

### **NEXT SUNDAY - 16<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

**10.15am** Service with Grace Hope leading and Becky Sumbler preaching  
- John 2

**6.30pm** Sunday Evening Prayer Hour

## PRAYER MEETINGS

### MONDAY MORNING

We have a Monday morning prayer meeting which meets in the Venue from 10-10.30am.

### THURSDAY EVENING

Please join us as we seek the Lord for the future direction of WBC. Feel free to come for all or part of our time together. The meeting starts at 7:30pm.

### Latest Reflection from SCBA

Happy New Year to all our SCBA churches and communities!



In this week's video, Colin catches up with Geoff Colmer, the current BU President and guest speaker at our Ministers' & Leaders' Conference next month. They chat about Geoff's recent illness, his time as President and his theme of being attentive to God's rhythms of grace.

This can be viewed here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZqE-HsUaMsE>

Or listened to on the podcast here: <https://www.buzzsprout.com/796076/9754244>

## GENERAL NOTICES

### ANDY'S SABBATICAL

Andy Baker will be starting his sabbatical at the beginning of January. Please pray for him and Julie during this time. The CLT would also appreciate your prayers as they lead the church during his absence. They can be contacted, as can Lesley, if there are pastoral issues.

### CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM

Please pray for the leadership team as we continue to meet whilst Andy is on Sabbatical. We will be meeting on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January to work further on the proposed questionnaire, whilst continuing to move other church business forward. We do appreciate your prayers and support.

God bless from Grace Hope

The January Prayer diaries for **Yeldall Manor and JAC** are now available from the rack to the right of the church office door. Please pick up a copy and pray throughout the month for these organisations.

### FACE COVERINGS

The official Guidance published on 9<sup>th</sup> December, following the Government announcement on the wearing of face masks, now includes places of worship in the list where masks must be worn at all times. We therefore need to ask that you all follow this guidance and keep your mask on all the time you are in the building, including when singing.

### MUSICIANS AND SINGERS REQUIRED

Can you sing? Can you play a musical instrument? Can you do both?

We are looking to recruit members for the worship team in the New Year so that we do not overwork the people we have at the moment (there aren't many of us!). You don't have to be brilliant, just willing. You will get better after a few practices - we all have.

If you would like to be a part of our praise and worship group, please contact me. We will invite you to one of our practices to see how we get on and if you are happy to, you can join the worship group at one (or more) of our services.

You can contact me directly, we are in the church directory, or through Lesley at the church office.

**Thank you - John Russell**

## **STAMPS FOR THE BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY**

BMS bring in an income for their medical work by the sale of used postage stamps, so please would you save any stamps which you may receive from Christmas cards or gifts sent in the post. Please cut around them, leaving about half an inch all round and put them in the stamp box outside the office door.

**Thank you - Carol Runnalls**

## **AMAZON SMILE**

You can now raise funds for WBC through AmazonSmile. The AmazonSmile Landing Page is complete with a link from the front page slider advert on our website.

For instructions on how to sign up for AmazonSmile please use the link below:

<http://www.woodleybc.org/amazonsmile/>

## **'SAWERS SAGA'**

Will & Judith's latest 'Sawers Saga' is now available from the rack outside the office, or direct from them – drop them a line on will.sawers@wycliffe.org.uk if you'd like to get it regularly. This edition has news about the Christmas story touching another language community in CAR, as well as about Will and Judith's work.

As mentioned in the Saga, Will and Judith plan to visit CAR in February for the dedication of the Gbeya New Testament, as well as two others. WBC have been involved in this through your support of us over many years, and of the Gbeya translation team for a number of years too. In 'normal' times, we'd have been trying to arrange a team from WBC to come along as well but given the challenges of international travel these days that seems less likely. However, if any of you do want to come with us, please get in touch using the address above, and we'll give you the details (dates, etc).

## **CHURCH CLEANER**

A new Church Cleaner is required with effect from January 2022. If you are interested in taking on this paid job for the church, please speak to Dot Butler for further details.

## **ADVANCE NOTICES**

### **MEN'S BREAKFAST**

You are warmly invited to our next Men's Breakfast on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> January, commencing at 9.30am. We will review each month, but this month, the Men's Breakfast meeting, will be online using Zoom.

There will be an after breakfast chat, which will give an opportunity to talk further on faith matters and for prayer, if you wish.

Zoom log-in as before:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4776930460?pwd=a09TYlJFMWlhYmY3bUdNdmlHNzdBZz09>

Meeting ID: 477 693 0460

Passcode: 9540273

David Robinson and Kevin Lowen



### **PLEASE PRAY:**

**For Paul Tyrell, a CAMEO member, Pam Godfrey, David Stillman, John Perry, Cherry Goldsmith, Kathy Judd and Pat Boniface.**



## LET US PRAY

*At the start of the New Year let us seek to put prayer at the heart of our life together as the family of God throughout the coming year.*

### Paul's prayer for the believers at Colossae – Colossians 1 verse 9-10.



We have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of His will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. We pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord.

Last Sunday Julie Russell encouraged us to put prayer at the heart of who we are as a fellowship. Here are some ways of doing that:-

### Challenge

- Why not consider joining us for a prayer meeting – on a **Sunday evening at 6.30pm** for an hour on Zoom, on a **Monday morning at 10am** in the Venue for half an hour or on a **Thursday evening at 7.30pm** at church. Details of these meetings are all in Take Note.
- Why not consider asking someone to be your **prayer partner**?

The book of James tells us

“You do not have because you do not ask” - James 4v2

### Question - Do we really believe prayer works?

If so, let us put it into practice. Let us spend time with God to allow Him to speak to us through His word and to change us into His likeness.



Let us commit ourselves to praying for one another, for our church, for our land and for our world, as individuals and as a church.

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