



Woodley Baptist Church

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'United in knowing Jesus and making Him known'

SUNDAY 28th April 2024

10.15am Café Church with Grace Hope leading
- 'How does God Guide us?'

Please note that refreshments are served from 10.00am and worship will start at 10.15am. Because of the interactive nature of the service, we will not be live-streaming

Prayer Ministry: John and Julie Russell will be available for prayer after the service.

Serving Tea/Coffee: Rachel and James McGeough

6.30pm Sunday Evening Prayer Hour

Everyone is welcome to join via Zoom:

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

Meeting ID: 878 2730 8029

Passcode: 503411

THURSDAY 2nd May

8:00-9:30pm World Out There Prayer meeting for mission

All welcome to join via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84363860623?pwd=NFBYK2RwV0FKbXJ0dFMwVHpvcDZZUT09>

Meeting ID: 843 6386 0623

Passcode: 218514

SUNDAY 5th May

10.15am Service with John Russell leading and Graham Sumbler preaching
- 'Gifts of the Spirit'

6.30pm Informal Worship Service in the church lounge led by Graham Sumbler

PRAYER MEETINGS

MONDAY MORNING

Please join us for the Monday morning prayer meeting in the lounge from 10-10.30am when we will be praying for activities in the church during the coming week.

THURSDAY EVENING

On the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month (next meeting will take place on 9th May). Please join us as we seek the Lord for the future direction of WBC, 7.30-9pm.

GENERAL

UCB WORD FOR TODAY

The summer edition of UCB's Word for Today is now available. Please pick up a copy in the foyer.

FOOD BANK NEEDS

Products that we are running low on this week:

Tea Bags	Coffee
Tinned Meat Meals	Pasta Sauce
Tinned Veg Meals	Tinned Tomatoes
Tinned Fruit	Any desserts
Custard	Long life milk
Squash	

For those of you who would prefer to make a monetary gift, the Food Bank has an online stewardship page –

<https://www.give.net/20181094>

Thank you so much for your continued support.

Please can I encourage you to rise to Dot's challenge of bringing one item of food for the Food Bank with you as you come to worship on a Sunday morning.

BAPTISMAL CLASSES

We are looking to run one or two sessions for anyone who is interested in finding out about Believer's Baptism. Please contact Graham Sumbler if you feel that the Lord might be asking you to take this step in your relationship with Him or if you just want to find out more.

ADVANCE NOTICES

CHURCH MEMBERS' MEETING DATE

We asked members to keep April 30th free for a CMM but later realised that we will need to meet with Jonathan that evening to discuss any ministerial applications that we might receive. The CMM is therefore being moved to June 4th.

Thank you for your understanding.



TRANSFORMING FIRE SUNDAY 19th MAY 7pm PENTECOST SUNDAY

On Pentecost Sunday we are invited to join with people from other Churches in Reading for worship, teaching and an opportunity for prayer at the Globe, 12 Portman Road, Reading, RG30 1AH. Further information about this event can be found on the notice board.

PRAYER

Please pray for the conflicts in Israel & Gaza and in Sudan, and the ongoing situation in Ukraine.

Please pray for Judith Sawers and family, Jean Haanstra (Cameo Member), Denice Lowen, Sheila Stokes, Jean Prince, John Perry, Mandy and Allan Dodd, Marion Lander following the death of her husband Cedric and **Jonathan Edwards**.

PRAYER FOR OUR STREET PASTORS

Please pray for our Street Pastors, Julie Russell and John Honeybourne who will be in Reading on Saturday night and Sunday morning, 27th/28th April, looking out for the vulnerable and those incapable due to alcohol. **Pray** for their safety and for the opportunity to share God's love in what can be a very strange place.

Please pray for our **ministerial recruitment process** and for any Ministers who are looking at our Church Profile. The closing date for this first round of applications is Friday 26th and we haven't heard from any applicants yet.



Please pray for Will and Judith Sawers



Through the Scriptures lives can be changed –

that is why having the Bible in your own language can be so powerful. So Will was planning to travel to the Central African Republic for three weeks in May to work with the new Gbagiri translators (who he worked with in November last year) checking more of their translation of Luke's Gospel. He was also going to spend some time face to face with the Nzakara translators, helping them to prepare their New Testament for typesetting,

hopefully by the end of this year. However, last minute changes in the visa process mean that this trip has had to be cancelled.

His colleague Eva, who still plans to go, will be delivering further training for 20+ new translators now working in eight different languages, helping them to learn how to correctly work out the meaning of the Bible passages that they will be translating. Now she'll have to do this on her own.

Please pray:-

- That Will's trip can be rescheduled and that he can use the extra time in the UK wisely.
- For Will's work with the Nzakara team. Give thanks that they are getting close to typesetting, so that in the near future more people will have access to the New Testament in their own heart language!
- For a good internet connection in Bangui to help Will (and others) work remotely with the teams there.
- That the new translators will learn well and be better equipped after their training to do the job to which God has called them.
- For Judith as she takes time to process the loss of her father and catches up on work which has piled up because of recent events.

Upcoming Social Events

FEB

TUE 13

5 - 7:30 PM

Pancake party

MAR

SAT 09

10 AM - MIDDAY

*BIG breakfast
(come hungry!)*

APR

SAT 27

10:30 AM

*Walk at Dinton
Pastures plus coffee*

MAY

SAT 25

7 - 9:30 PM

Ladies Night

MAY

FRI 31

7 - 9:30 PM

Mens Night

JUN

SAT 22

3 - 5 PM

Afternoon tea

JUL

SAT 20

4 - 6:30 PM

*BBQ in the
church garden*

AUG

TBC

Picnic in the park