



Woodley Baptist Church

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'United in knowing Jesus and making Him known'.

SUNDAY 1st MARCH 2026

TODAY'S SERVICES

10.15am: Service with James Hern leading and Howard Ballard preaching
Daniel 5 – Be Transformed

Refreshments: James and Linda Hern

Prayer Team: Jane van Es and Ann Royston

6.30pm Informal Service of Worship and Praise with Grace Hope leading

THURSDAY 5th MARCH 2026

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 – 8th MARCH 2026

10.15am: Service with Julie Russell leading and Ben Edgington preaching including
all-age communion
Daniel 6– Be Transformed

Refreshments: Debbie Hamblin and Mary Kareem-Osho

Prayer Team: John and Sylvia Saunders

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

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

The next meeting will take place on 26th March. Please join us as we seek the Lord for the direction of WBC.

GENERAL NOTICES

CHURCH DIRECTORY

We are in the process of creating a new Church Directory and would be grateful if you could take the time to check your entry on the list which will be in the coffee lounge after this morning's service. Please make any amendments or tick if the entry is correct. The directory is for all members and regular worshippers. If you are not already in the directory and would like to be included please fill in a consent form which can be found in the rack to the right of the office door.

Please note that this is the full database. If you have indicated that you do not want your name included in the paper and/or website copies this will be adhered to.

WEDDING HELP REQUIRED

As most folk already know, Tim Walder and Jo Hammond are getting married at WBC on Saturday 14th March. They will be having refreshments after the service in the back hall before they leave for their reception. If anyone is able to bake a cake/s or buy some it would be really appreciated.

We also require practical help on the day – setting up, serving, washing up and clearing away.

Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the foyer if you are able to help with either/both requests.

Thank you

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

For those of you who are coming to the Safeguarding Training on Saturday 7th March, earlier this week you should have received the Level 2 +/- Level 3 handout/s by email. If you didn't receive a copy please speak to Lesley.

Timings for the day:

9.00am	Building open
9.15am	Coffee and registration
9.30am-12.30pm	Level 2
12.30pm	Lunch
1.15pm-4.15pm	Level 3

CRÈCHE

We need some more volunteers to help with crèche on a rota basis. This means looking after 0–3-year-olds during the service and getting out some toys in the back hall before the service. If you are able to help with this please speak to **Graham Sumbler**. This role requires a DBS Certificate which we can apply for if you don't already have one.

NEW SMALL GROUP IDEA

I have been thinking about starting a small group on a Saturday morning, around once a month for an hour of Bible study, prayer and fellowship. If you are interested in knowing more about this, please let me know. Thank you.

Becky Sumbler

The **March Prayer diary for Yeldall Manor** is now available from the rack to the right of the office door

FAMILY MATTERS

Thank you for making Tobias's dedication service so special last week. Our family and friends were wonderfully welcomed and enjoyed visiting WBC to share in the occasion with us. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the service and who made the lunch happen afterwards and for the generous cards and gifts we received. We are very grateful to you all our WBC family!

Rachel and James

Thank you for praying!

During last year we were praying over many months for Jen Sawyer, a previous member of WBC, when she was involved in a very bad road accident being knocked off her bicycle and she suffered brain and an eye injury. Andy & I recently met Jen and her husband Nick and were overjoyed to see how well Jen is now and the amazing progress she has made nearly a year on from the accident. Jen is now back at work five days a week, has been given clearance to start driving again and is shortly to run the Reading Half Marathon raising funds for 'Headway', a charity supporting people following a brain injury. Jen has been overwhelmed by the number of people who have been praying for her, both here and across the world, and specifically asked that we pass on her sincere thanks to you all, in the confidence that God has healed her in an amazing way.

Dot Butler

ADVANCE NOTICES

PRAYER WALK

By God's grace we will be meeting again on Saturday 28th February, 9.30-10.30am at the front of the Church for our Prayer Walk around the roads near the church. For those who will be able to join, please put this in your diary. If you would like to find out more, please speak to **Mary Osho**.

CHURCH MEMBERS' MEETING

There will be an Ordinary CMM on Tuesday 10th March at 19.30pm at the Church Centre. The agenda has now gone out by email, with copies available in the pigeon holes of those without internet access.

At the meeting we will be asking members to agree to spend money on the replacement of the guttering and fascia boards, initially on the side of the church in the doctors' carpark. It would be helpful if you went round and looked at this area of the building in its current state, before the meeting, to appreciate what we are intending to do.

YELDALL MANOR

SPRING CELEBRATION SERVICE

The Spring Celebration Service takes place on Friday 20th March, 7.30pm at Norreys Avenue church in Wokingham. That's the first day of spring and what a great way to celebrate as we rejoice in the blossoming of recovery.

Please come, and share with your friends and family, as everyone is welcome.



Please pray for the ongoing situation in Ukraine, Iran and Syria.

Please pray for the family of Rosemary Allen, John and Julie Russell, Val Lee and family, Audrey Goulding, Jonathan Edwards, Peter Kerr, John Tidmarsh, Jean Prince and Mandy & Allan Dodd.



- The 111 children currently on the register.
- The opportunity to share our faith with them.
- The dedicated team of volunteers serving alongside Graham.
- That every team member would feel confident and equipped to share Jesus in a variety of ways.
- That each child would experience God's love personally and powerfully.
- To see them grow in faith and come to know Jesus for themselves.

Shout meets weekly on Fridays during term time, from 6:30–7:30pm.

Would you be willing to give an hour twice a month to come and join the team?



Prayer for Woodley Schools

Give thanks for the 4 lessons this past half term. For discussions and questions raised by pupils.

Pray for all the prep for the lessons booked in for next half term.

Pray for enough volunteers to deliver all the lessons that have been booked

Pray that the passion for our faith will shine through all we do and say to both staff and pupils.

Lessons Spring 2

Mon 23 Feb	Highwood Yr 4	Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?
Tues 24 Feb	Highwood Yr 2	How important is it to Christians that Jesus came back to life after his crucifixion?
Mon 2 March	Southlake Yr 1	What did Jesus teach his followers (The lost son + Easter)
Tues 3 March	Southlake Yr 4	Is forgiveness always possible for Christians?
9&10 March	Woodley CofE KS1	What do Christians believe God is like?
16&17 March	Woodley CofE LKS2	What difference does the resurrection make for Christians?
Mon 23 March	Southlake EYFS	Visit to Christ church linked with the story of Easter.
Mon 23 March	Woodley CofE EYFS	Easter story
Tues 24 March	Southlake Nursery	Easter Story

