



Welcome to Tamworth Baptist Church

If this is your first visit here we offer you a very warm welcome.

Please make yourself known to us, and join us for a cuppa
and a chat after the service.

Also please do pick up a leaflet that gives more details of all our
activities and contact details etc.

Sunday 21st January

11am **Sunday celebration with communion** led by Cath Vernon &
Graham at Belgrave
God's over-ruling power: Genesis 15:1-21

6.15pm **café Church: consumerism** led by Graham at Belgrave

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*Hearing loop systems are installed at both our buildings. Please switch hearing aids
to 'T' position and let someone know if you have any problems.*

For your diary (and for your prayers please):

Mon 22 7:30pm **prayer meeting** at Dosthill

Thu 25 7:30pm **Church Meeting** at Belgrave. Please do come and take your part in discerning the plans that God has for His Church. All welcome. (But if there are any votes needed, only members will be able to vote.)

Graham's day off is Saturday 27th

Sat 27 **night shelter**

Sun 28 11am **Sunday celebration** led by Rachel Sage and Graham at Belgrave

6:15pm **evening celebration** led by Graham at Belgrave

Mon 29 7.30pm **exploring spiritual gifts** at Belgrave

Graham's day off is Friday 2nd

Sat 3 8:30am **prayer breakfast** at Belgrave - an informal time of prayer followed by breakfast and fellowship.

night shelter

Sun 4 11am **Sunday celebration** led by Leigh Bilson & Graham at Belgrave

6:15pm **communion celebration** led by Graham at Belgrave

For our regular weekly events, and our special events,
please see our website: tamworthbaptists.org.uk



Christians Against Poverty

is a national debt counselling charity with a network of 306 centres based in local churches. CAP offers hope and a solution to anyone in debt through its unique, in-depth, free and confidential service.

The Tamworth Centre is based at our Belgrave building, Joy Dean is the centre manager, please speak to her for more information.

<http://www.capuk.org/>

Notices: If you have any items for next week's notice sheet please send them to **Jo Criddle**, by 7pm on Thursday
email: jo.criddle61@gmail.com or phone 01827 280471

Café Church :

This Sunday evening - at the regular time of 6:15 - we'll be starting our Cafe Church evenings. An opportunity to think about how we, as Christians, engage with some of the issues and challenges of life today.

This will be an informal time in the small hall with light refreshments, biblical input, questions to discuss and more. In the first session we will be thinking about "Consumerism". Please come along - even if you don't normally come on a Sunday evening - and join in.

Church Meeting :

The main focus of our church meeting on Thursday evening will be the question "what do we, as a church, want to be and do?" A key and important question so please pray for God to speak to us and make clear what He wants us to do; please read and reflect on the discussion paper that is available this weekend; please spend time listening to what God may be seeing to you about this; please plan to be there as we seek to understand God's purposes for us at this time.

pray
talk
plan
decide

Reflections for the week: There's another sheet available with daily reflections / questions to explore our Sunday morning theme of "Hallowed be your name". Please take one and seek to hear God speaking to you as you work through it. Why not discuss it with others you meet up with? And please let Graham know if you are finding these helpful or if they could be made better.

A chance to help out: As Graham mentioned on the 7th January, there are opportunities for more people to get involved in the teams that support our Sunday services. If you would like to get involved or find out more, please speak to those responsible for the team rotas: refreshments - Peter Birrell; laptop operation - Charles Clark; sound desk - Martin Horner; Flowers - Esther Ford.

Help with a new church banner:

We are hoping to do a new banner in February, and need lots of people to help!

If you are able, please could you take a piece of fabric from the box in the foyer, draw round your hand on the papery side, and then cut it out.

If you have children, or grandchildren, perhaps you would like to do one with them too. Or if you are part of any group that meets as part of our church (however loosely), why not encourage them to do one?

Please put back in the box when done. But please don't peel off the paper.

Many thanks!!



Questions to help you think about today's teaching - to discuss in housegroups, or use at home:

God's over-ruling power (Genesis 15:1-21)

1. What picture of God appears from this passage?
2. Review how Abram responds to God's words and promises in this passage. Do you see yourself responding in similar ways?
3. How would you feel if God told you that one of his promises wouldn't come into effect for over 400

Consumerism

4. How much does our consumer society go against God's commission to us to care for the world He created (Genesis 1:28; 2:15)?
5. How much do you think some people have a "consumer" approach to faith and church? What problems, if any, does this cause?
6. How should we – as Christians and church – engage in our consumer society?