



## 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 4th February

11am **Sunday celebration** led by Leigh Bilson & Graham at Belgrave  
Holiness, cleansing and call: Isaiah 6:1-13

6.15pm **Communion celebration** led by Graham at Belgrave  
Reading: Mark 14:17-26

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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.*

Many thanks for the cards, phone calls, visits in hospital and at home during this difficult time. I appreciate all who have helped in anyway. Love from Sheila.

### **For your diary (and for your prayers please):**

Mon 5 7:30pm **prayer meeting** at Dosthill

3:45pm **Messy Church** at Dosthill (postponed from last week)

Graham is at a minister's conference from Monday 5th to Wednesday 7th and then on annual leave until Monday 12th.

Sat 10 **night shelter**

Sun 11 11am **all-age Church** led by Cath Vernon at Belgrave

6:15pm **evening celebration** led by Bev Smith at Belgrave

Mon 12 7.30pm **deacons meeting** (so no prayer meeting)

Graham's day off is Tuesday 13th

Sat 17 **night shelter**

Sun 18 11am **Sunday celebration with communion** led by Leigh Bilson & Graham at Belgrave

6:15pm **café church** led by Graham at Belgrave

For our regular weekly events, and our special events,  
please see our website: [tamworthbaptists.org.uk](http://tamworthbaptists.org.uk)

Our vision is that we will be a church of "whole-life disciples" who treasure every moment as an opportunity to live as fully-committed followers of Jesus Christ.

Many thanks to all who contributed to the Christmas Appeal for BMS World Mission Disaster Recovery. We have been able to send them £679.56.

**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](mailto:jo.criddle61@gmail.com) or phone 01827 280471

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

### Holiness, cleansing and call (Isaiah 6:1-13)

1. This is a powerful and strange story. What particularly speaks to you from it?
2. Have we lost at all a proper appreciation of God's holiness and our sinfulness?
3. How should God's words to Isaiah about people not repenting and returning – even his preaching seeming to push them away – inform how we speak with people today about God?

### Focus on communion (Mark 14:17-26)

4. How shocking would it have been for Jesus to claim that he could forgive sin (Mark 2:10)? How much do we forget the reality and seriousness of sin?
5. How would you have responded if you had heard Jesus speaking about his impending rejection, suffering and death (Mark 8:31, 9:31; 10:33)? How do you respond today?
6. How does the hope we have in Jesus (Mark 13:26-27; 14:62) encourage you and challenge you?

### **Seeking God's guidance for our church :**

At the January Church meeting we were exploring what we thought God was calling us, as a church, to be and to do. Please do continue to pray and talk about this, and if you believe God is saying something to you please share this with one of the leadership team.

**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.

## **Colin Ward's Funeral**

Colin's funeral will be on Friday 23rd February. There will be a short service at 11:30 at Fradley Crematorium followed by a celebration of Colin's life at 12:30 at Belgrave, This will be followed by refreshments at the church. All welcome.

The family have requested family flowers only but any donations will be given to the Pandita Ramabai Mukti Mission, an Indian Rescue Charity the family are involved in.

Please do continue to pray for Olwen and her family at this time.

## **Anniversary Sunday (25th February)**

In our morning service, Dave Criddle will be preaching looking at the theme of God's kingdom coming and His will being done (our text for the year). His particular focus will be on what this means for a church as a community of God's people.

As well as being one of Graham and Jo's sons, Dave is the pastor with responsibility for discipleship and teaching at Gold Hill Baptist Church.

In our evening service we will be exploring, through conversation with Dave and Graham, some of the practical implications of what Dave will have been sharing in the morning. An opportunity to worship, to reflect and to discuss.

Please plan to be with us for both of these services as we celebrate another year of God's faithfulness to us and look forward to the year ahead.

**Our BMS Link Missionaries** are Dave and Michelle Mahon who are in Peru. Dave tries to keep us up to date by sharing messages via Whats App.

David Thompson has created a Whats App group to share this news from Dave. If you would like to join the group please speak to David Thompson.

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### **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.

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