

## 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 27th May

11am **Sunday celebration** led by Graham at Belgrave  
Reading: Ephesians 6:10-20 (page 1177)

6.15pm **evening celebration** led by Graham at Belgrave  
Reading: Ephesians 4:1-16 (page 1175)

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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 28 bank holiday so no prayer meeting

Graham's day off is Friday 1st

Sat 2 8:30am **prayer breakfast** at Belgrave

Sun 3 11am **Sunday celebration** led by Rachel & Bev at Belgrave  
6:15pm **communion celebration** led by Graham at Belgrave

Mon 4 7:30pm **prayer meeting** - at Dosthill

Thur 7 7:30pm **Thursday fellowship** at Belgrave - From Junior School to Judge - Cath Vernon

Sat 9 7pm **Boys Brigade awards evening** at Belgrave

Sun 10 11am **all-age Church** led by Graham at Belgrave  
6:15pm **evening celebration** 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.

**Help for Malawi** Ladies, please could you check if you have any bras that you no longer use? If you do, please could you get them to Renee who can get them sent to Malawi, where they are a help towards reducing assaults on women. All sizes and styles wanted!

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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.

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

## Some exciting opportunities to get involved...

We are planning to run an **Alpha course** from September and will be holding an “**Alpha planning session**” at 7:30pm on Thursday 14th June for all who would like to be involved - in any capacity - to come along to find out more and come up with some more detailed plans. During this evening we will:



- Watch some of the Alpha material to get a sense of what it is like
- Look at a “typical evening”
- Raise and discuss any questions you have
- Get a better understanding of who is able to do what
- Think about dates, invitations, issues that need to be addressed

We are looking for people to get involved in all sorts of ways - praying, inviting friends, acting as table hosts, catering, publicity, technology and more. ***Please come and find out more and see how you can get involved.***

### **Social / Faith Groups**

As discussed at the May church members' meeting, we are looking at starting up two new outreach activities - a weekly afternoon tea and a men's fish and chip supper (probably monthly). If you are interested in getting involved in either / both of these ***please sign up on the sheet on the noticeboard.***

### **Summer Outreach Event**

We are planning an outreach event in the summer for children and families on the Belgrave estate. This would be a morning of games held somewhere on the estate, a BBQ back at Belgrave, and then a "Messy Church" style afternoon (crafts, games, talk). On either Saturday 28th July or Saturday 4th August.

If you would like to be involved, ***please sign up on the sheet on the noticeboard.***

**... God is doing some exciting things, don't be left out!**

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

### Struggle is against dark and evil forces (Ephesians 6:10-20)

1. Paul makes it clear that we will be under spiritual attack and we can't withstand this in our own strength? How do you feel about this?
2. Paul is encouraging believers "to stand" - not to attack or move forward. Why do you think this is? What does it mean in the reality of our daily lives?
3. How much do we pray, how can we pray more effectively, for those who are speaking to people about Jesus (v19-20)?

### Living to become more like Christ (Ephesians 4:1-16)

4. "Living a life worthy of your calling" (v1). What does that mean to you, what is your calling, what are the challenges you face in doing this?
5. The responsibility of leaders in the church seems to be equipping God's people for the work of the church (vv11-12). Is that how you see things?
6. Paul seems to be looking for growth in believers: "built up" (v12); "reach unity", "become mature", "attain the measure of the fullness of Christ" (v13), "grow to maturity" (v15), "grows and builds itself" (v16). Are we committed to this?

### **Wednesday Coffee...**

There are three groups that meet for coffee on Wednesday mornings:  
10-11:30am: at our building in **Dosthill** - pop in for tea, coffee and cake (often home made!) for a small donation

10am - noon: a group of ladies meet at **Druckers** in Ankerside, Tamworth.

10am - noon: a group of men meet at **A&Bs** in Ankerside, Tamworth.

You are welcome to drop in to any (or even all) of them any time, and to bring friends along too.

\* tea and other drinks are available!

**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