

WELCOME TO NORTHOLT PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Regrettably the following notice was posted at our Church door: '**CHURCH CLOSURE**' – Coronavirus (COVID-19) In the light of the Coronavirus pandemic, and acting on strong advice from the Baptist Union UK, I have decided to suspend all church activities, including Sunday morning services until further notice, with immediate effect.' Naturally, this isn't a course of action that has been taken lightly, but it is imperative in order to protect our elderly, medically vulnerable and local community and act responsibly in the current climate. Contact Pastor Michael for prayer

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OUR VISION IS...
KNOW CHRIST
AND MAKE HIM **KNOWN**

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SUNDAY 12th JULY 2020

Northolt Park Baptist Church

FAMILY SERVICE

Welcome to your weekly newsletter from Northolt Park Baptist Church. This coming Sunday we are planning to present an online service. Dr. Annette Glaw will be live-streaming her sermon and Jennifer Lovejoy will lead us in a time of prayer and worship. You are all welcome to join us, live online, as we worship and fellowship this coming Sunday.

This week's scripture reading is taken from 2 Corinthians 12: 1-10 (NIV)

'Spiritual Maturity in Weakness'

Scripture Focus 2 Corinthians 12: 8-9 (NIV)

Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.'

Good news! Our church building works that began on Tuesday 26th May is now completed. Members of the leadership team made a third site inspection on Friday 10th July. Roofing contractors have now completed roofing works and additional schedule of works. This completion date has helped support our return to public worship pending our risk assessments, and government covid recommendations being in place before our regular activities/services can resume. The church will remain closed until further notice.

DEACON'E MEETING

The next meeting date is Thursday 16th July at 8pm. We are planning to hold weekly Deacon's meetings in readiness to reopen. However, guidance from London Baptist Association (LBA), Baptist Union of Great Britain (BUGB) and Government legislation for reopening places of worship needs to be implemented, as applicable, at NPBC. It would be helpful for all concerned to have read LBA, BUGB's and Government advice, and have any questions, comments or clarification prepared before we meet.

Livestreaming and Online Matters

In light of current circumstances and our inability to meet in person, we are using Blizz to live stream our Sunday Services. It was great seeing some of the congregation this past Sunday, to worship together. If you haven't, please download the Blizz video instructions at https://1drv.ms/u/s!AgbMp-T9wQyci-k7tHM45Hg_jo9l2Q?e=8zIPCi and go through the one for your relevant device (i.e. desktop or phone).

Session Name: Sunday Service
Date: 12/07/2020 10:30am
Web URL Address: <https://go.blizz.com/join/m38264420>
Meeting ID: m382-644-20

To join by landline, please dial 0845 034 151 0 and then key in the relevant meeting id. The meeting ID for the Sunday Service is 38264420. The Sunday online service starts at 10.30am, however, please logon at 10.15am. This will give some time for everyone to get logged in before we start service. If you do not have a web connected computer or mobile smart phone, but have a free Weekend 0845 landline package, you can join the meeting by calling the number already mentioned at the stated time and then key in the relevant meeting id (e.g. m382-644-20). Please note 0845 numbers are free on the weekend in most phone packages. For those who do not have access to free 0845 numbers, please let Michael know and we can arrange for an alternative way for you to join Sunday service.

This month's Mission – Spurgeons Children's Charity

Spurgeons Children's Charity (Spurgeons) is one of the UK's leading children's charities, supporting vulnerable and disadvantaged children and their families for 150 years. More information can be found on our church noticeboards. Let's continue to pray for their mission vision and work.



ALL SERVICES ARE LIVE-STREAMED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

The July – September 2020 preaching and worship rotas will be published on the church notice board in due course.
Theme: 'Spiritual Maturity'

SERVICES IN JULY 2020

Sunday 5th July
Theme: 'Spiritual Maturity in Establishing Roots'
Speaker: Michael Lovejoy
Scriptures: Philippians 2:5-11

Sunday 12th July
FAMILY SERVICE
Theme: 'Spiritual Maturity in Weakness'
Speaker: Annette Glaw
Scripture: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10

Sunday 19th July
COMMUNION SERVICE
Theme: 'Spiritual Maturity in Adversity'
Speaker: Michael Lovejoy
Scriptures: Genesis 49:20 – 50:26

Sunday 26th July
MISSION PRAYER SERVICE
Theme: 'Spiritual Maturity'
Speaker: Olu Falowo
Scriptures: TBC

ALL CHURCH EVENTS CANCELLED DUE TO COVID-19 VIRUS
TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY
WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP GROUP
BREAD FOR LIFE
ALPHA COURSE

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

The Church is dependent on your generous giving. We would want you to save your tithe/offering until our return to public worship/fellowship or make deposits directly into our Church Barclays' account, No: 70317500, Bank Code 20-38-83. Thank you for your continued support in your giving unto the Lord

PRAYER MATTERS (Continued)

During this week Hazel's great-grandson, Lamar, passed away. His death is a shock to the entire family. He was only 20 years old. Do pray for all the family generations represented, his mother Corine, gran Eve and great-grand Hazel. Our sincere condolences and prayers go to Roy, Hazel and their extended family during this difficult time.

We were saddened to hear the passing of Martin's sister, in Jamaica, last Sunday. Our prayers and condolences go to Martin and his extended family in their loss and bereavement. Be assured the church family, are in prayer for you and extended family during this difficult time.

Do continue your prayers for Tanner's mother, Deborah. She also lives in the USA. Pray she will make a full recovery. Pray also for Tanner's elderly dad and his brother in their needs and support during this difficult time.

Do continue praying for those in our number who are unwell or have not seen for a while. Let's be mindful of the unspoken requests and needs of others. Let's bring them all before the Lord in prayer.

There are so many other needs we can bring before the Lord: unemployment, educational, financial, emotional, mental health, social needs, relationship breakdowns...etc. Let's take them all before God. Let's learn to let go and let God deal with it all through prayer and faith in the Lord.

Whether we are members of the leadership team, church members, friends or visitors to NPBC, let's all continue to contact each other, pray for our churches and one another especially during these difficult time with health concerns and feelings of isolation.

SPIRIT EMPOWERED MINISTRY DOESN'T JUST HAPPEN!

The following Sunday 12th July, Dr. Annette Glaw will be bringing the ministry of the Word to us. Pray for Annette as she prepares to minister to us especially during these uncertain times.

PRAYER MATTERS

Let's continue to pray for all those who have been bereaved recently: Remember Roy and Hazel Martin, Joyce, Jean, Margaret G, Val, Josephine, The Sharman family and others known to you.

Do continue to pray for Margaret Carey she is unwell with recurrent chest infection. Pray she recovers and gains strength quickly.

Do also continue to pray for James. He has special needs and recovering from his seizure. Pray for Alfred, Jean and extended family in their needs and support of James' recovery.

Please continue your prays for Mahood (Jacob's dad), Mahood's wife (Mandana) and daughter (Mehrnoosh). Mahood is still trying to make contact with his family not knowing their whereabouts. Pray for their entire family, pray the Lord will keep them all safe, during this COVID pandemic and lockdown.

Pray for those in our number who are nationally and internationally separated. Pray for Letia, Timi and Joke, Clement and Bola, Maryham and others you may know.

Continue to pray for Roy's brother in his sickness. Pray for his extended family as they support his care.

Continue to pray for Alisa's mum. She had major surgery. Pray she will continue to heal and gain her strength and be restored to full health.

Continue to pray for Olu's brother Femi, We are trusting God for Femi's continued healing and full recovery.

LET US PRAY FOR YOU

If you have an urgent and important prayer concern, please contact Pastor Michael Lovejoy.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Liturgy - a form of worship

We're living in very uncertain and challenging times. The last time I experienced news of a young person passing was during my ministerial training at Spurgeon's College. The sad news was shared during morning chapel on Wednesday, 14th May 2014.

Baptist ecclesiology generally excludes liturgical practices. However, this particular morning's chapel experienced a very somber reflective moment in which the Holy Spirit moved bringing peace and healing to lives that were in mourning and experiencing adversity. As we prayerfully read, this liturgy, may God, once again, bring peace, healing and restoration into your situation.

A Weekly Office for Spurgeon's College

Theme: 'Seeking God together in difficult times'

Welcome Introduction

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Psalm 19:14 (Introduction Prayer)

'Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer'.

Michael: We bless you Lord and God, living and true;
Father Son and Holy Spirit, to you all praise, glory, honour and blessing belong, and every good forever. Amen.

Michael: Father, be gracious to us and hear us.
Turn our hearts to worship
and strengthen us to obey your will.
Instruct our minds with the word of Christ,
that in him, reconciled and joyful,
we may serve you by the power of the Spirit. Amen.

Ruth: will read the first scripture reading taken from (Psalm 25:11-22)
This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Michael: The 25 Psalm is a Psalm of prayer and meditation that's often used in seeking God's help in difficult times.

- No matter how difficult our trials or, what their causes.

We are encouraged to:

- Seek the Lord for his wisdom
- Trust Him to work for His Glory and your good...

To view the entire liturgy, see the online version of the newsletter ...

My thought and prayers go to Roy, Hazel and extended family during this difficult time.

God's grace is sufficient, in Christ, as always,

Pastor Michael