

WELCOME TO NORTHOLT PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Welcome to your weekly newsletter from Northolt Park Baptist Church. We are now experiencing our second lockdown with church closures. The service will be livestreamed this coming Sunday at 10.30am. Rev. Hany Abdelmasih, Regional Minister, will be bringing the ministry of the Word to us and Janet Yau will lead us in a time of prayer and worship. You are welcome to join us on Blizz this coming Sunday.



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



SUNDAY 15th NOVEMBER 2020

This week's scripture readings are taken from
Psalms 116:12-14, John 13:33-35 and 2 Corinthians 5:18-20. (NIV)
'Salvation, Love and Reconciliation'

Psalm 116:12-14 (New International Version)

12 What shall I return to the Lord for all his goodness to me? 13 I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. 14 I will fulfil my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

John 13:33-35 (New International Version)

33 "My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come. 34 "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

2 Corinthians 5:18-20 (New International Version)

18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: 19 that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. 20 We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.

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Livestreaming and Online Matters

We will be gathering, for public worship, this coming Sunday at 10.30am. As an alternative, Olu has kindly offered to continue supporting us by live streaming our Sunday services using Blizz. We want to thank both Olu for kindly supporting us with his Information Communication Technology (ICT) experience during the lockdown. Please see, below his message relating to live streaming our service for this coming Sunday.

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: Sunday Service
Date: **15/11/2020 10:30am**
Web URL: <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**.

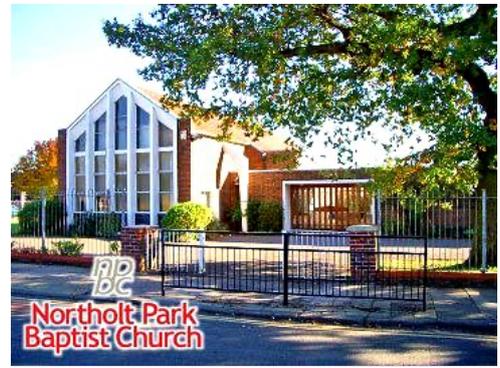
The Sunday online service starts at 10.30am, however, please logon at 10.15am. This will give some time for everyone to get logged in before we start service. If you do not have a web connected computer or mobile smart phone, but have a free Weekend 0845 landline package, you can join the meeting by 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.

WEC International

This Sunday we are praying for WEC International and the work of David and Margie Whitehorn. Pray for missions in:

- Mozambique
- Momade
- Célia
- Town of Nampula,
- Chad Gabriel
- Guinea-Bissau

David Margie have no travel till next year. They are grateful for the internet, which they rely on for communication and online ministry. Let's continue praying for all these mission outreaches mentioned. These are indeed very uncertain time for all concerned. Pray for protection and safety, continued leadership vision and direction with WEC International, its leadership and missionaries. WEC Mission newsletters are on the church notice board.



PREACHING ROTA NOVEMBER 2020

The preaching and worship rota are published on the church notice board
Preaching Themes: Covenant, Kingship, Prophecy and Grace

Sunday 1st November
Theme: 'Kingship'
Speaker: Olu Falowo
Scriptures: 1 Samuel 8:1-22 NIV

Sunday 8th November
FAMILY SERVICE 'Remembrance Sunday Service'
Theme: 'Peace and Justice'
Speaker: Dr. Annette Glaw
Scripture: *Matthew 5:1-12*

Sunday 15th November
Themes: 'Salvation, Love and Reconciliation'
Speaker: Rev. Hany Abdelmasih (Regional Minister)
Scriptures: Psalms 116:12-14 & John 13:33-35 & 2 Corinthians 5:18-20.

Sunday 22nd November
MISSION PRAYER SERVICE
Theme: 'Kingship'
Speaker: Rev. Michael Lovejoy
Scriptures: *TBC*

Sunday 29th November
Theme: 'Preparations' (First Sunday in Advent)
Speaker: Rev. Michael Lovejoy
Scriptures: *TBC*

PRAYER MATTERS (Continued)

Can we continue praying 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 and reunite them soon.

There are so many other needs we can bring before the Lord: unemployment, educational, financial, emotional, mental and physical 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 in prayer.

Public events closed due to Covid-19

SUNDAY SERVICES

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP GROUP

WEDNESDAY EVENING BREAD FOR LIFE

WORSHIP

Worship Lead – Janet Yau

Music - iSing/Utube

Bible Reading –

Speaker – Rev. Hany Abdelmasih

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.

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

The following Sunday, 22th November, Rev. Michael Lovejoy, will be bringing the ministry of the Word to us. Pray for Michael as he prepares to minister to us especially during these uncertain times.

PRAYER MATTERS

This coming Sunday, Rev. Hany Abdelmasih, our Regional Minister, will be ministering to us online. 'Hany has been pastor of Alliston Alliance Church in Ontario, Canada since 2012, having previously ministered in London at Hammersmith Christian Fellowship and East Hill Baptist Church. He oversees the Western, Thames Valley and Central Districts.' Pray as he prepares the Word and for us to be faithful and obedient to God's Word.

Congratulations to Debbie McCarthy on the birth of baby Aurora Rose on Wednesday 4th November. She weighed 6 lbs 2 oz. May God bless her and keep their entire family in His tender care.

Congratulations to Lisa and Michael, who celebrated their 32nd wedding Anniversary on Thursday 12th November. We give praise and wish Lisa and Michael every blessing for many more years of marital bliss.

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

Pray for Debbie, Tanner's mother, who has recently been diagnosed with breast cancer. Pray for Tanner and extended family in support of Debbie's care and needs.

Continue praying for Val who is recovering and gaining strength from her hospitalisation and continual dialysis three time a week. Val is stable and gaining strength. Pray for improved strength, mobility and her safe care within the community. Pray also for Lisa and extended family as they support Val.

Ealing has provided temporary community care for James. The respite needed for Alfred, Jean and extended family is answer to prayer. James has now returned home. Pray further continued community support will be in place for all concerned as needed.

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.

Please email your prayer requests to npsc.pray@gmail.com If you have an urgent and essential prayer concern, please contact Pastor Michael Lovejoy. Telephone 020 8632 9225 (Manse)

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Prayer is both heart of the matter and matter of the heart

We are living in very uncertain times. Whether facing personal health issues or social dilemma, my focus on scriptural devotion during times of adversity has set the agenda for prayer and meditation. Prayer is central to maintaining our relationship with God. Christian prayer is unique because it operates within a Trinitarian understanding of God. When we pray, we address the Godhead with the faith-conviction the Holy Spirit listens to our groans, and tears as a language and expressions that God understands. Paul, in Romans 8:26, expresses this sentiment, 'In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.' Then the Son mediates them to the Father, who is the object of our prayer. God, the Father, releases the power we need in response to our request. This specific view of God provides a theological frame of reference to prayer. The theological expression of prayer is significance. Prayer makes it possible to have a deeper relationship with our Lord and Saviour, and therefore prayer becomes a subject of theological reflection. Praying isn't simply just about talking to God, as important as that is, it is also an act through which we acknowledge our need and constant reliance on Christ's salvation for us. A key part of the gospel is embodied in the very act and experience of praying.

I am mindful many face very uncertain futures, and the present Covid-19 pandemic has further compounded feelings of isolation and insecurity. However, be encouraged with the words of Bunyan and Spurgeon: John Bunyan "When you pray, it would be better to let your heart be without words than to let your words be without heart." Charles Spurgeon: "The prayer of the heart is the heart of prayer." May your heart be filled with prayer.

Let's close with scripture taken from Philippians 4:6-7 ESV "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." My heartfelt thought and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

Blessings, in Christ, as always,

Pastor Michael



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