

WELCOME TO NORTHOLT PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

Welcome to your weekly newsletter. Rev Michael Lovejoy will be bringing the ministry of the Word to us and Hazel Gordon will lead us in a time of prayer and worship. You are welcome to join us at NPBC. The service will also be live streamed this coming Sunday.

To get further information on forthcoming activities and events, at NPBC, go to our church website
www.npbc.uk.com



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



'Communion Service' SUNDAY 20th DECEMBER 2020

This week's scripture readings is taken from Amos 9:1-15
'Prophecy'

Scripture focus verse Amos 9:11

11 "In that day "I will restore David's fallen shelter—I will repair its broken walls and restore its ruins— and will rebuild it as it used to be..."



Christmas Day Service

Join us for our Christmas Day service on Friday 25th December at 10am. We are also celebrating the dedication of Baby Alicia-Grace and will also be welcoming parents Istvan and Joy Auerhammer to our fellowship.

'Then were there brought unto him little children, that he should put his hands on them, and pray: and the disciples rebuked them. But Jesus said, suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me: for of such is the kingdom of heaven. And he laid his hands on them and departed thence.' (Matthew 19:13-15)



Olu has kindly offered to continue supporting us by live streaming our Sunday services using Blizz. 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: **20/12/2020 10:30am**
Web URL: <https://go.blizz.com/join/m38264420>
Meeting ID: **m382-644-20**

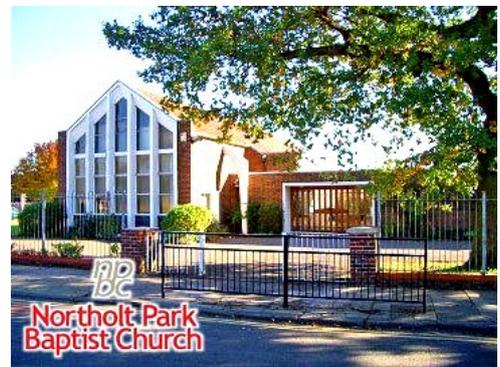
To join by landline, please dial **0845 034 151 0** and then key in the relevant meeting id. The meeting ID for the Sunday Service is **38264420**.

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.

THIS MONTH'S MISSION PRAYER FOCUS SPURGEON CHILDREN'S CHARITY

This month's mission prayer focus will be Spurgeons Children Charity, led by our Mission's coordinator Jenny Lovejoy. 'As further national restrictions have now come into force across England, I have been holding onto a well-known verse in the bible, where Jesus tells his followers to "love your neighbour as you love yourself." (Mark 12:31) Lockdown is difficult...'

[Continue reading "Seeking to "love our neighbour" through Coronavirus pandemic- Spurgeons CEO update"...](#)



PREACHING ROTA DECEMBER 2020

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

Sunday 6th December
Theme: 'Prophecy of Restoration'
Speaker: Michael Lovejoy
Scriptures: Isaiah 53 NIV

Sunday 13th December
FAMILY SERVICE
Theme: 'Unto us a child is born'
Speaker: Dr. Annette Glaw
Scripture: Isaiah 9:1-7 NIV

Sunday 20th December
Themes: 'Prophecy'
Speaker: Michael Lovejoy
Scriptures: Amos 9:1-15 NIV

Sunday 25th December
Christmas Day (Dedication Service)
Theme: 'Grace, Peace and Hope'
Scripture: 'TBC'

Sunday 27th December
MISSION PRAYER SERVICE
Theme: 'Grace'
Speaker: Michael Lovejoy
Scriptures: TBC

NPBC IS OPEN FOR PUBLIC GATHERINGS

SUNDAY SERVICES

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP GROUP

WEDNESDAY EVENING BREAD FOR LIFE

WORSHIP

Worship Lead – Hazel Gordon

Music - iSing/Utube

Bible Reading – Amos 9:1-15

Speaker – Michael Lovejoy

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, 27th December, 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.



December Shopping List

- UHT Milk – Whole & Semi Skimmed, not Skimmed
- Savoury Biscuits & Crackers
- Long Life Fruit Juice & Squash
- Ready Made Custard – tins or cartons
- Tomato Ketchup
- Peanut Butter, Honey & Jam
- Vegetarian Chilli & Curry
- Shower Gel, Hair Shampoo, Hand Wash
- Laundry Products – powder, liquid, tablets (small sizes please)

Thank you!

PRAYER MATTERS

Pray for Josephine who is unwell and self-isolating.

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

Continue praying for Val on 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 in her recovery.

Continue praying for James and for his care within his home. Pray further continued community support will be in place for all concerned as needed.

Do 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.

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.

Pray for those in our number who are nationally and internationally away. Timi and Joke, and others known to you.

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.

LET US PRAY FOR YOU!

Please email your prayer requests to npbc.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

David's Prayer

Let me begin with the concluding words of David in Psalm 19: 'May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.' Prayers are sometimes all we have in the face of adversity. David understood the language of prayer has multidimensional attributes - the emotional, the physical and spiritual. The Psalmist David also writes: 'The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles. The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit ' (Psalm 34:18).

Prayer

This prayer is focused on the physical needs of many undergoing a difficult time in terms of health concerns. The Covid-19 global pandemic casts shadows of uncertainty and fear in many of us. Sickness or injury can come to anyone, and we often feel isolated or powerless in the face of pain, suffering and anxiety. However, the Lord invites you to pray to Him for healing and peace in your situation, and He will give you strength to endure.

When you pray, pray the Lord bring your healing, bring wholeness of heart, mind and body. Lord renew strength, renew hope, renew peace in my situation. May the Emmanuel be with me this day and time to come. In your mercy, Lord hear my prayer.

Be encouraged; the Lord is with you.

Blessings, in Christ, as always,

Pastor Michael



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