



The Church that meets at Bethel

Hill Street, Wollescote, Stourbridge, West Midlands, DY9 8TL

Activities & Prayer Diary 27th April – 4th May 2025

Sunday	27	10.30am 1.00pm 6.00pm	Morning Service Christening: <i>Ophelia Grace Bache</i> Evening Service
Monday	28	8.30am 9.30am	Little Lambs - Staff Only Knit & Natter
Tuesday	29	8.30am 10.00am 12.30pm 5.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Widows Oil - Widows Support Group Little Lambs Pre-School Cancer Peer Support Group
Wednesday	30	8.30am 12.30pm 12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Lambs Pre-School Cornerstone
Thursday	1	8.30am 12.30pm 4.00pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Lambs Pre-School Prayer Meeting
Friday	2	7.00pm	NO Feel Good Friday Friday Night Icebreakers
Saturday	3	2.00pm	Pathfinders/Breakers Board Games
Sunday	4	10.30am 6.00pm	Morning Service Evening Service

All streamed services can be found on YouTube at www.youtube.com/@BethelChapelLye/streams
and are also linked from our website www.bethelchapel.org.uk/news/

For Your Prayers

- Please could I ask you to hold before God for His healing - Harry, Mike, Jan, Matthew and Teresa ... the Lord knows all about them all.
- Please continue to pray for Nigel Cook. He has a hospital appointment on Monday, talking about the possibility of preventative radiotherapy. Please pray that all will go well for him.
- Please continue to pray for Ken and Bessie Priest, both at home, struggling with various health issues. Please ask the Lord to hold them in His hand.
- Please continue to hold Jane Hart in your prayers - the bronchiectasis is under control apart from the cough and the IBS meds have made a huge difference for her. She now awaits an appointment in early May to discuss the results and a way forward.
- Please keep on keeping on bringing before God beautiful baby Mila, who has sadly been diagnosed as having cerebral palsy in all four limbs. They've now found out that Mila's one leg is shorter than the other. It will probably be an operation in the future. Also sometimes when she's asleep she's started to laugh uncontrollably and they're not sure if she's having little seizures. More tests to be done. On the bright side she is much happier in herself and doesn't cry so much as before. Continued prayers much needed.
- Please continue to pray for Jacqui Davies' niece Katie. She has been very up and down this week, and is a little apprehensive about next week's chemo. There are no results yet from the MRI scan on her liver. Please pray for her healing and for all to be well through the treatment for her.
- Please keep Lynda in your prayers. Although she has now retired from Cornerstone, she is still a vital part of all that goes on at Bethel. Please pray for her as she goes forward, for strength, determination and God's peace within as we continue to walk with her throughout her dementia journey.
- Please continue to hold Jacq in your prayers, asking the Lord to bring His healing touch on her life for all the left-behind, post-cancer, post-radiotherapy treatment damage. Please pray that the Lord will reach out and heal her, restoring her health. Please also pray the treatment for the lymphedema will continue to progress well to give her more relief from the symptoms.
- Please continue to hold Johnny Bass in your prayers. He's still away in Scotland this week, so please pray he feels refreshed and renewed on his return. As always, please continue to pray for John to be healed.
- Thank you for your continued prayers for Joyce and Roy. Roy has been in hospital for 5 days this week with a view to seeing whether he needed a pacemaker. He came home on Friday, no change in medication, no treatment, no pacemaker, but he's home. Sadly, he is experiencing some confusion. The difficulties are the progression of the AND, so your prayers please for both of them at this changing time.
- Please continue to hold Beryl and Julie in your prayers. Julie had an appointment on Friday for injections into her knees, which are always terribly painful to have to help the arthritis. Sadly, she has been in terrible pain since!! Beryl is "aching all over", especially her feet, which have always been a difficulty for her. Pray please for help with her walking and general mobility.
- Would you please keep our lovely Betty, who came along to Feel Good Fridays, in your prayers. Please keep praying for small improvements and for her to feel a sense of God's love and peace.
- Would you please continue to pray for Philip, one of our Cancer Peer Support group. He has his lung function test results soon and has a couple of scans coming up at the end of the month too. Please pray for good results from them all.
- Please continue to pray for Carl and his family - he has been diagnosed with bipolar disorder and is getting his head around the new diagnosis. Otherwise things are a little more settled. Please pray for peace in Carl's mind and within the house
- Would you please keep in your prayers all of our Sunday and Cornerstone bids, especially Des and Julia, who are currently in Nursing Homes. Please keep in your prayers Win Parker, hoping she'll be able to join us more as she feels up to it. Prayers please too for Pat Hall who hasn't been well enough to be with us for quite a while but is still in good spirits, and Sadie who came out of hospital last week and is now continuing to recover at home, so your prayers for her too. Please pray that they will all be well enough for us to be able to see them again soon. Would you please also pray for Cornerstone this week as we make our way forward without Lynda at the helm. Please pray for Hayley and all the team as we go forward and serve our precious bids.

Prayers, Notes and News

- Please pray for the family and friends of Sam Cooper, who used to come along to Cornerstone. His funeral is this Wednesday, 30th April at 11.40am at Stourbridge Crematorium.
- Please continue to pray for Hilary as she continues to recover at home, praying that she will soon be well enough to be back with us.
- Please pray for our Little Lambs staff, children and parents and for all our children and young people at nursery/school/college and university.
- Please keep in your prayers Bethel Treasures Heaven Scent. If you have any free time at all and are willing to use that to serve the Lord through Bethel Treasures Heaven Scent, please let us know ASAP.

Pray for Peace - Israel

Please pray for peace in the tumultuous Middle East. It is the centre of the world's eyes, and Biblically, that's where it will remain until the return of Christ and then all that the Bible promises for a new Heaven and a new Earth. Please pray that all the hostages are released, and that there will be a new ceasefire agreement. Pray too for the peace of Jerusalem, so Biblically important in these "last days."



Pray for Peace - Ukraine

Please pray for peace in Ukraine. Pray the fighting stops and that Russia are drawn into a genuine and brokered peace that brings safety and security for all the Ukrainians, without the loss of land.



Youth for Christ

From Catherine Green -

"Youth for Christ have an online fundraising event called United for Change taking place non-stop across 30 hours from **4pm Friday 2nd May - Saturday 3rd May**. This is an opportunity to come together in one mission to bring hope, faith, and transformation to young people. The British Youth for Christ team along with our local centres across the UK will be engaging in various challenges, they'll be rolling content to tune into and opportunities to give. We're asking those who support us to join with us and Give. Share. Pray. Tune into the online fundraiser through yfc.co.uk/unitedforchange donations can be given online or by phone. People can also sponsor me directly yfc.co.uk/sponsor/catherinegreen/. We can be followed and shared on our socials @britishyfc.

Most importantly please pray for us, we're doing this believing that our efforts will see young people's lives transformed."

Pathfinders & Pathbreakers

Please come along next **Saturday, 3rd May** at 2pm for a couple of hours of different sorts of board games. Come and have a go at something you haven't tried before, or maybe one of your favourite games with your Pathfinder and Pathbreaker friends. Drinks and biscuits available, see you there.

Eurovision Party

A new venture for us, so we need to see what the interest is as we plan for it, as Eurovision is very Marmite for most people! A board is available today so please let us know if you would like to come along on final day, **Saturday 17th May**, from 8.00pm onwards - stay until you need to go or until the bitter end of the voting! £5 per person including Euro buffet. Bring your own drinks and wear your brightest, sparkliest outfits!

Summer Fayre

The Summer Fayre is 10 weeks yesterday - **Saturday 5th July**. Thanks to those who have already volunteered, if you missed the volunteer board there is still time to put your name forward! The Donations Board is now available if you can help with some of the more expensive set-up costs of the fayre.

Bethel Treasures - Donations

We are now receiving donations again for Bethel Treasures Heaven Scent here at Bethel. The best times to bring any items are Mondays, Tuesdays or Thursdays between 11am - 6pm, but please check with the office if you need to bring them in at any other time, and of course you can bring them in on Sundays if you are here too.

Health & Wellbeing group

Is anyone interested in a new group we have been thinking of starting at Bethel, a health & wellbeing group? We are thinking it could be for weight loss (or gain if that is what you need), and there will be an opportunity to weigh in each week to keep a track (in confidence of course!) but also more of a support type of group, where everyone can share their experiences for a healthy life to enable us all to 'FLOURISH'. Also possibly some gentle movement/exercise as well if people would like to do that. We are thinking it would be around £2 per week. If you are interested, please let us know what days/times would be best for you from those available on the board coming around today, and we'll see where we go from there with it.

BETHEL'S VISION:

To turn the lost into the found & the faithless into the faithful

Rota

Please remember if you are unable to make your 'duty' to contact one of the other people on the rota to arrange to swap

	This week 27Apr	Next Week 4 May
Sunday door welcome	Jacqui Davies	Denise Branson
Flowers arranged by	Sue Wilding	Sue Wilding
Sunday coffee/tea	Jon Wilding	Jorja Robson
Sunday morning Vacuuming	Shelley Cartwright	Andy Parkes

PRAYER AND FASTING ROTA

Sun	27	Jane Hart
Mon	28	Mariann Smith
Tue	29	Jill Berry
Wed	30	Nigel Cook
Thu	1	Mariann Smith
Fri	2	Jacq Shilton
Sat	3	Nigel Cook
Sun	4	Jane Hart

The flowers in church this week have been provided in celebration of our Pastors at Bethel - Jill, Jo, Jane & Jo



It is the **LORD** who goes before you.
He will be with you; he will *Not* leave you or forsake you, do not fear or be dismayed.

Deuteronomy 31:8 ESV

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