



The Church that meets at Bethel

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

Activities & Prayer Diary 28th September – 5th October 2025

Sunday	28	10.30am 1.00pm 6.00pm	Morning Service Christening: <i>Bodie Kevin Gilbert Rolfe</i> Evening Service
Monday	29	8.30am 9.30am 12.30pm 5.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Knit & Natter Little Lambs Pre-School Flourish! Health & Wellbeing Group
Tuesday	30	8.30am 12.30pm 4.00pm 5.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Lambs Pre-School Prayer Meeting Cancer Peer Support Meeting
Wednesday	1	8.30am 12.30pm 12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Lambs Pre-School Cornerstone
Thursday	2	8.30am 12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Lambs Pre-School
Friday	3	8.30am 2.00pm 7.00pm	Little Lambs incl Harvest Parent Pop-in Feel Good Friday Friday Night Icebreakers
Saturday	4	10.00am	One Way
Sunday	5	10.30am 1.00pm 1.45pm 2.45pm 6.00pm	Harvest - Morning Service Christening: <i>Lily Ann Beddall</i> Christenings: <i>Ricki, Travis, James, Joey</i> <i>Jesse & Aubrey-Kate Fox</i> Christening: <i>Reggie Christopher Bateman</i> Harvest - 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 - Faye, Mike and Jan ... the Lord knows all about them all.
- Please continue to thank the Lord for the wonderful news about Matthew, and keep him in your prayers for further good news and progress. If you missed it - to quote Mariann, "It's a miracle." The "death sentence" has been removed, the markers for the aggressive cancer are way down low, and he's put over 8lbs on in weight!! The HLH is NOT full-blown and can be treated. There is even talk of a nurse administering the drugs at home for him. All in all, Mariann, who couldn't get the words out on Friday, she was so overwhelmed with the wonderful news, wants to thank everyone for their prayers - "It's a miracle", so please continue to thank the Lord for His intervention, and for Him to complete the healing. Many, many thanks Lord, and to you all for your faithfulness.
- Please continue to pray for Harry, Jen Anslow's son. He has now finished his radiotherapy and after a break, he will then continue with chemotherapy tablets for a year. Harry continues with speech therapy and some counselling, as he is battling PTSD for the accident. Please pray that the treatments work together for good and when scans are done the results will be superb. He is getting out and about a bit more and this weekend they are having a few days away. Please continue to hold him (and his family) in your prayers.
- Please continue to pray for Nigel Cook as he goes through the stressful process of trying to sell house and move. Please pray that he will remain well too.
- Please hold Ken Priest and family in your prayers, following the sad passing away of Bessie. He is still in hospital and he just wants to be with Bessie. Please pray for the Lord "to remember him" as the Bids would say.
- Please would you continue to pray for Jacqui Wilson, she is needing some extra support and has problems with her legs, back and chest for which she is having some treatment and some extra equipment has been ordered to help with her mobility. She



hopes to be here on Sunday if she's well enough. Please pray that we can get her back at Bethel regularly.

- Please continue to hold Pastor Jane Hart in your prayers for the Lord to help with several health concerns.
- Please keep on keeping on bringing before God beautiful little Mila. She will soon be three years old. Not very good news at the moment, one of her hips has come out of its socket and she's got to have an operation at Plymouth hospital. Still no date arranged for this at the moment. Please pray that this will be soon and that she will not be in any pain.
- Please continue to pray for Jacqui Davies' niece Katie. She doing OK, several ongoing hospital appointments. She moved house and is spending slot of time trying to get the garden sorted, which is enormous and backs onto the river stour. She has joined village life in Kinver. Had a procedure this week to do with the implant which is not very nice. Thank you again for your prayers.
- Please keep Lynda in your prayers 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-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 give her more relief from the symptoms.
- Please continue to hold Johnny Bass in your prayers as he continues with his chemo tablet treatment. As always, please continue to pray for John to be healed and cancer free.
- Thank you for your continued prayers for Joyce and Roy as we continue to walk with them through the progression of Roy's AND (AutoNomic Dysfunction) diagnosis. Roy remains nursed in bed, and seems to have returned to more sleeping these past couple of weeks. He's still not eating and drinking as well as he was, and day after day, it's the same troubles - same tat, different day - and it's exhausting for Joyce who is battling her own health problems. She has

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"chronically low" sodium, and had repeat blood tests last week to monitor the levels. There are so many little issues for them both going on at the same time. Please pray for the sodium level to be corrected for Joyce, as her sole aim is to remain well enough to take care of Roy.

- Please continue your prayers for Julie and Beryl. We still await news of the operation date for Julie's right leg to be amputated, but it should be sometime in October. Thankfully, Julie has had a brighter week, the pain in her neck and spine have not been so severe. Beryl says she's OK, but, "My walking is awful now, not getting about so good, but still managing to look after myself. I really want to keep my independence as long as possible." please keep them both in your prayers.
- Would you please keep our lovely Betty, who came along to Feel Good Fridays but is now in a nursing home, in your prayers. Jenny said when she visited her this week "very sad, she's mainly on bed rest, she was sat in her chair whilst I was there but very uncomfortable and kept calling out, said she wants to go home. Her dentures are now too big for her mouth, its such a shame. She did smile when I mentioned Charlotte! Bless her" Please keep praying for her to be surrounded by love and comfort.
- Would you please continue to pray for Philip, one of our Cancer Peer Support group. He had back-to-back CT and MRI scans recently, please pray for great results from then when he goes to see his consultant this Wednesday, 1st October.
- Please continue to pray for Carl and his family, the situation is pretty much the same. Caleb seems to have taken the operation to repair his elbow in his stride. They are looking for some supported living accommodation for Joel who is now 20 years old and Eva who is just 13 is out of school with no further options due to her behaviour. Eva also has no ongoing support from mental health services despite being actively suicidal at times. Prayers for peace in the house and healing for this whole family would be appreciated.
- Please continue to pray for Arthur & Sylv. Their situations are pretty much the same - Arthur's going on very well at present, Sylvia

still in pain with her back hopefully will improve with having the recliner chair. They are grateful for the prayers.

- Would you please keep in your prayers all of our Sunday and Cornerstone bids, especially Des and Julia, who are currently in Nursing Homes, and Betty too. Prayers please for Pat Hall who hasn't been well enough to be with us for quite a while but is still in good spirits. Win was back in hospital when Jill went to visit her this week, tired and weary. Prayers are needed too for Mo and continued prayers please for Sadie who sadly remains mostly bed-bound at the moment.
- 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. With Mariann looking after her son at the moment, 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

✎ 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."



✎ 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. It's a prayer for a miraculous solution to be found, as in earthly terms, there is no chance of peace.



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Cake Bake Sale

Many thanks to everyone who baked cakes and bought cakes last Sunday - we were able to raise a fantastic **£236.14** (including a couple of donations) to enable us to decorate the church at both Harvest and Christmas - thank you so much everyone.

Rock Choir



Thank you to the Rock Choir and their leader Paola, for coming along to entertain us last night, and to everyone who came along to be entertained! Special thanks to Sally for suggesting the choir for a fundraising evening - we had a wonderful time with some smashing songs and lovely jacket potatoes to eat too - thanks to Hayley, Shelley & Clare for the catering, Reece & Nataniel for helping move the benches & chairs and Jo C for doing the MC bit. A lovely evening and we raised a superb amount of **£474.65**

One Way

A reminder that the next One Way is **next Saturday, 4th October** at 10am here at Bethel for all primary school aged children. Please come along if you can, maybe bring a friend! Also, if any adults are available to help Clare and the team on the morning, that would be great too, please let her know if you can come along to help.

Harvest

Next Sunday, 5th October, is our Harvest Celebrations. If you have any

fresh produce you would like to add to our display in church, can you get it here by the **morning of Thursday 2nd October** please, as Jen will be putting the display together on the afternoon. Any vegetables, flowers or other items suitable for putting on our Harvest display will be very much welcomed and appreciated. If you wish to bring any non-perishable items to the services next Sunday, we will make sure they get distributed to a foodbank for those who need it most. Remember we also have our Harvest gift envelopes if you would like to make a donation towards the work of our friend Daniel Muiruri and the Living Faith Outreach Centre in Kenya. Thank you.

Pathbreakers/finders Harvest

Also **next Sunday, 5th October**, the children are going over to Wendy's allotment to enjoy themselves harvesting some of the produce there! They will be walking over at 11am and returning by 12.30pm. **Parents/carers, there are some consent forms for you to sign today for the trip.**

Flower Arranging Evening

Join us **next Tuesday, 7th October** from 7.00pm for a flower arranging evening - learn how to make, and then take home, a flower posy, plus a demonstration of how to make a candle arrangement, which will be raffled off at the end of the evening. Places are £15 each, which will include all the flowers needed for your arrangement, plus light refreshments. We have a few names on the board, but there are spaces for a few more if you are interested in coming along and having a lovely evening.

New Year's Eve

Thanks to those who put their name down for the New Year's Eve party. Unfortunately we did not really have enough interest to make the party a

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possibility, therefore please note that the party has been **cancelled** for this year.

Operation Christmas Child



Bethel Chapel & Little Lambs Pre-School Centre
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Local Collection Point - Times

Thursday 13th November - 11.30am - 1.30pm

Friday 14th November - 11.30am - 1.30pm

Saturday 15th November - 2.00pm - 4.00pm

And before morning service on Sunday 16th November - 10.15 - 10.45am

We will again be a Collection Centre for shoebox presents to share God's love with children in need all over the world via Samaritans' Purse for Operation Christmas Child this year. If you need another leaflet, there are plenty on the post table at the front of church. The leaflets give a detailed breakdown of what can and can't go in the boxes. Collection week is the week before the Christmas Fayre. If you would like to contribute but don't want to make a box up yourself, you could donate some items for when the children at One Way and Pathfinders/breakers put a load of boxes together at the beginning of November. If you need ideas, we have quite a few items listed on our Amazon Wishlist which a suitable to be put into boxes, or you could shop yourselves and just bring them along for our collection to go into the shoeboxes.

Christmas Fayre

8 weeks yesterday! The planning has started for this year's Christmas Fayre on **Saturday 22nd November** from 12noon. The first couple of boards are still available, most importantly the Volunteer board, so we can see how many people are available to help out, which dictates what stalls we are able to run, and the donations board, so we have some cash available for the more expensive items that need to be purchased, such as the pork, some of the prizes and the set up items such as banqueting roll, cellophane, paper cups, cans of pop, etc. Or again, our Amazon Wishlist contains some items that we are in need of for the fayre too if this is easier for you to do.

The Amazon Wishlist for the Shoebox items, Fayre items and general Bethel needs is available here: https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1GDAUB4M7ZSNT?ref=wl_share and there is also a link from the front page of the Bethel website.

ROC West Midlands Showcase

The ROC (Redeeming Our Communities) meeting is happening at Christ Church on **Wednesday 8th October** between 7 - 9pm. **Would anyone would like to go to represent Bethel?** - "You're invited to a community conversation in Lye. This is an opportunity to meet with local services such as the police, fire, health, as well as representatives from the council, community and faith-based groups. Together, we'll explore ways to work collaboratively for the benefit of our community. If you live, work or volunteer in Lye or you are part of ROC in the West Midlands we'd love for you to join us." Please let us know or register for a place at roc.uk.com/event/roc-westmidlands-showcase/

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 28 Sep	Next Week 5 Oct
Sunday door welcome	Denise Branson	Emeka Okoro
Flowers arranged by	Clare & Jorja	Harvest Arrangers
Sunday coffee/tea	Mariann Smith	Nigel Cook
Sunday morning Vacuuming	Barbara Green	Hayley Marrison

PRAYER AND FASTING ROTA

Sun	28	Jane Hart
Mon	29	Nigel Cook
Tue	30	Mariann Smith
Wed	1	Mariann Smith
Thu	2	Jill Berry
Fri	3	Jacq Shilton
Sat	4	Maureen Leonard
Sun	5	Jane Hart

The flowers in church this week have been provided by

John Chandler
in memory of his wife Anita

Alan & Ann Dickens
in celebration of their
Diamond Wedding Anniversary



**"O come, let us sing
unto the LORD:
let us make a joyful noise
to the rock of our salvation."**

Psalms 95:1 (KJV)