



The Church that meets at Bethel

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



Activities & Prayer Diary 5th – 12th October 2025

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
Monday	6	8.30am 9.30am 12.30pm 5.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Knit & Natter Little Lambs Pre-School Flourish! Health & Wellbeing Group
Tuesday	7	8.30am 12.30pm 4.00pm 7.00pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Lambs Pre-School Prayer Meeting Flower Arranging Evening
Wednesday	8	8.30am 12.30pm 12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Lambs Pre-School Cornerstone
Thursday	9	8.30am 12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Lambs Pre-School
Friday	10	8.30am 2.00pm 7.00pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Feel Good Friday Friday Night Icebreakers
Saturday	11		
Sunday	12	10.30am 1.00pm 6.00pm	Morning Service Christening: <i>Freya Rose Wilkinson</i> 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. Matt is still feeling good but very tired. The bloods on Wednesday were good - up 5 points to 105, and he has put weight on. He has to have a PET scan on Tuesday and he can then begin maintenance chemotherapy for two years. After this, there's a seriously strong chemo that should last for five years. Many, many thanks Lord for the good news so far, and to you all for your faithfulness.
- Please continue to pray for Harry, Jen Anslow's son. Here's a message from Jen - Harry's generally ok, still quite a few speech and memory issues but is finding ways to cope with them. He had his MRI scan this week and then his oncology appointment on Monday morning where I think we'll find out more about how the treatment impacted his tumour and the details of the coming treatment. Prayers for both those appointments would be immensely appreciated.
- 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 is struggling. He was going to be discharged to the Cedars, but fainted when they got him out of bed, so we are "back to square one." There is still no decision as to whether he has the gallstone operation or not. In truth, he just wants to be with Bessie. Please pray for the Lord "to remember him or heal 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 again 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, especially as she does eight Christenings today!!!
- 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. Pray for Jane too, as they are both on holiday for two weeks, that they might be rested and refreshed on their return.
- Please continue to hold Johnny Bass in your prayers as he continues with his chemo tablet treatment. As always,

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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. The results from recent blood tests show that the "chronically low" sodium level has "considerable improvement" which is excellent! There are so many little issues for them both going on at the same time, including Joyce's macular degeneration and diplopia. Please thank the Lord for Joyce's sodium level improvement, and pray for her to remain well and strong, 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. Beryl says her mobility is not so good, but her general health is not bad! 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 "she didn't say a word this week and slept most the time that I was there" 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 is still going on very well at present but gets tired very easily, Sylvia is not coping well with her back issues and is still awaiting her recliner chair as the previous one had to be sent back. Please pray this is sorted soon so she may have some relief from the pain. They continue to be 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 when Di Hughes visited her this week. Win is still in hospital and sadly, is experiencing daily seizures, often more than one a day, which obviously causes her damage each time. She is tired and weary. Prayers are needed too for Mo and continued prayers please for Sadie who sadly remains mostly bed-bound at the moment, but again was chatty when Di visited her.
- 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.

Notes and News

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 following the proposal from Benjamin Netanyahu and Donald Trump. 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.



With those praying and fasting, Risen Lord, we long for redemption from hatred and terror.

We yearn for a just and equal world where all are safe, whether in the street, at work, or at worship; in synagogue, mosque, temple, gurdwara, or church.

Guide with Your wisdom, Holy Spirit, the police and security services as they investigate, and civic and religious leaders as they work for calm, that none may exploit devastation to bring division, so that believer and non believer alike may work together for the good of all.

Finally, Eternal God, we remember before You those murdered today, and their family, friends, and communities, may your perpetual light shine upon them, and give them peace as we seek to build a better world. Amen.



Prayers for God's Chosen People - from whom came our Messiah

Here's a beautiful prayer we can share from the United Reformed Church:

With our Jewish sisters and brothers, we grieve, mourn, and pray, bringing to the Eternal One, our pain and protest, our tears and tenderness, our fears and failures.

O Most High,
We lift to You all who live in fright and anger,
especially today the Jewish communities of Manchester.
Bring peace and security,
tenderness - even in the face of tragedy,
and balm for the affliction of our souls.

Harvest

Today is our Harvest Celebrations! If you have brought any items to add to our food table, 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

Our Pathbreakers and Pathfinders are going on a harvest trip over to the allotments today. They will be walking over there at around 11am and will be back at church by 12.30pm. Have fun kids!

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Flower Arranging Evening

Join us **this 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.

Christmas Fayre

7 weeks yesterday! This year's Christmas Fayre will be on **Saturday 22nd November** from 12noon. The first couple of boards are still available, and they have now been joined by the Grand Draw Prize Board, and the Special Bottles and Special Chocolates Board - you will notice this new addition of special chocolates that we haven't had before - just so that we can get a nice selection of chocolates and sweets for that stall, so its as attractive as it can be, to rival the bottle tombola maybe! We still need lots of 'filler' sweets and chocolates too to make up the stall.

The Grand Draw tickets are on order and should be here soon, please help us by selling as many as you can to family, friends, colleagues and neighbours.

If you buy any cakes in the next few weeks that have the plastic boxes with them (see the ones already accumulating in the kitchen) would you wash them out and bring them to church please, they will be very useful for the cake stall to either display or package their cakes in.

Please start looking out anything suitable for the gift stall and gift tombola - new items such as gift sets, jewellery, unused toys or games, etc.

Have a look through your wardrobe and see if you have any Christmas t-shirts or

jumpers still in good condition, or sparkly tops/dresses, etc. Christmas Jumper Day is on 11th December this year, so you may find a new one at the fayre!

If you know of anyone, or a shop or restaurant, that may be able to help with prizes or donations, we have letters you can use, please just ask for one and we can get that arranged for you.

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 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 **this 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/

Saturday Night Fellowship

Christian Friends of Israel UK and Cradley Heath Elim Pentecostal Church invite you to their next Saturday Night Fellowship on **18th October** at 7.00pm at their church in Bannister Street, Cradley Heath, B64 5EQ. Mike Scott will speak on the theme Sukkot. Further details from Dave Walker on 01384 567042 or 07794 928421.

BETHEL'S VISION:

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

Rota <i>Please remember if you are unable to make your 'duty' to contact one of the other people on the rota to arrange to swap</i>	This week 5 Oct	Next Week 12 Oct
Sunday door welcome	Emeka Okoro	Jacqui Davies
Flowers arranged by	Harvest Arrangers	Harvest Arrangers
Sunday coffee/tea	Nigel Cook	Jo & Isabella
Sunday morning Vacuuming	Hayley Marrison	Jo Rowan

PRAYER AND FASTING ROTA

Sun	5	Jane Hart
Mon	6	Jo Rowan
Tue	7	Jill Berry
Wed	8	Mal Hawker
Thu	9	Pat Hazlehurst
Fri	10	Jane Hodges
Sat	11	Charlie Round
Sun	12	Jane Hart

The flowers in church this week have been provided by

Pat Hazlehurst
in thanks for family

Jacqui Davies
in memory of her dads' birthday
on 6th Oct

Lift up your eyes,
and look on the fields;
for they are white already to

Harvest

John 4:35