



The Church that meets at Bethel

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



Activities & Prayer Diary 3rd - 10th May 2026

Sunday	3	10.30am 1.30pm 6.00pm	Morning Service - Café Church Christenings: Daniel David Richards & Theo John Richards Evening Service - Café Church
Monday	4	10.00am - 3.00pm	BANK HOLIDAY Classic Car & Bike Show, Wollescote Park - Bethel is running a toy stall
Tuesday	5	8.30am 12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Lambs Pre-School
Wednesday	6	8.30am 12.30pm 12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Lambs Pre-School Cornerstone
Thursday	7	8.30am 9.30am 12.30pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Little Acorns Toddler Group Little Lambs Pre-School
Friday	8	8.30am 2.00pm 7.00pm	Little Lambs Pre-School Feel Good Friday Friday Night Icebreakers
Saturday	9	10.00am	One Way Club
Sunday	10	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

HEALTH & HEALING:



- ◆ Please could I ask you to hold before God for His healing - **Faye, Mike, Charlie, Charlie, Patrick, Jan, David & Valerie, Joyce & Mike and Sue, Graeme, Sue and Dean, Sandra** ... the Lord knows all about them all.
- ◆ Please continue to pray for healing for both **Mariann** and her son **Matthew** as they both battle on with their health issues. Matt is up and down, his bloods dropped by 2 points last week but have stabilised this week, so thank God he is looking after him. Thanks to everyone for their prayers it means so much. Mariann says she's ok! Please continue to pray for them both.
- ◆ Jen's mum suffered a post-operation massive heart attack and died at the beginning of this week. Obviously, the whole family are devastated. This happened just after Harry and Sophie's wedding, which should have been such a joyous time for them all. Your prayers please for **Jen and all the family**, for the Lord to pour out His comfort, strength and peace within.
- ◆ Please continue to pray for Jacqui Davies' niece **Katie** and brother **Paul**. Katie is doing well, they are away on holiday in America having the best time, just what she needs. Paul is OK, had a CT scan come through, another injection in just over a week's time and an appointment to see the oncologist on the 14th. Prayers needed that the treatment they are giving him is slowing the cancer and the CT scan isn't showing any more cancer in other places. Thank you for all the prayers.
- ◆ Could you please continue to pray for healing and wholeness for **Natalie** as she navigates through her cancer treatment. She is doing very well at the moment, thank you for all the prayers.
- ◆ Would you please continue to pray for healing for **Philip**, one of our Cancer Peer Support group, as he continues his journey with lots of tests and hospital appointments.
- ◆ Please continue to pray for **Nancy**. She hasn't been with us for a few weeks as she recovers from her broken leg. Please pray that all will be well for her so that she can be back with us soon.
- ◆ Please would you continue to pray for **Jacqui Wilson**.
- ◆ Would you continue to pray that all will be well for 5 year old **Lyra**.
- ◆ Please pray for **Baby C**. Sadly at the 20 week scan they found fluid on the baby's brain, after many more scans they have found the front part of her brain has not developed and brain tissue has been affected by the fluid. She is due to arrive very soon now, prayers that when she is born she will be able to breathe and feed on her own without the intervention of the neonatal unit. This has been a stressful time for both parents, after many years of not conceiving, this is their miracle baby.
- ◆ Please keep on keeping on bringing before God beautiful little **Mila**. The good news is, 8 months after dislocating her hip, she is finally due to have her hip operation at the beginning of May (no specific date yet) but it will be both hips done at the same time. She will need to spend a little time in intensive care afterwards, and once discharged will go onto a respite care placement where they can look after her for a while before going home. Please pray all goes to plan and continue to pray for healing for her.
- ◆ Please continue to hold **Johnny Bass** in your prayers. He is doing well. Next bloods and chemo on 14th & 15th May and scan date is 22nd May. As always, please continue to pray for John to be healed and cancer free.
- ◆ Please continue to hold **Pastor Jane Hart** in your prayers. She has just seen the consultant about her breathing. All

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went well, lung function test was very good, she feels that it's more the Asthma that causes the bad flare ups. They will see her in 12 months unless she has any major problems. She sees the Orthopaedic Consultant about her back on the 2nd of June.


- ◆ 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 health & dementia journey. She is doing well at the moment.
- ◆ 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 continuing treatment for the lymphedema will give her more relief from the symptoms.
- ◆ Please continue your prayers for **Julie and Beryl**. After her amputation operation in April, Julie has settled well into Russell Court. She has started her time with the Physio's. That does come with aches and pains, but getting on with it. She is still so grateful for all the prayers and support. They both say a very big thank you to everyone. God bless you all. Beryl says she's ok!
- ◆ Thank you for your prayers for **Joyce**. She is now on the list for this first cataract op, so sooner the better and she has only heard good reports from previous patients! Thanks again for all the prayers.
- ◆ Please continue to pray for **Arthur & Sylv**. He's doing well in himself, just gets very tired. They will know more next month regarding his ongoing cancer treatment. Sylvia is still in pain with her back. The recliner chair and pain relief do help, maybe look into seeing a chiropractor. Both of them are in their middle 80's and so grateful for the prayers.
- ◆ Carl is back in Manchester, staying with old friends. Please continue to pray for

Carl, Rachel and family, as they plan towards the future. Please pray for peace and for emotional, physical and psychological wellbeing for the whole family.


CHURCH & COMMUNITY:

- ◆ Would you please keep in your prayers all of our **Sunday and Cornerstone bids**, especially **Des, Val and Julia**, who are currently in Nursing Homes. Thank you for your prayers for **Pat Hall** who now back at home. Please pray that **Mo** will be able to come back to enjoy Cornerstone very soon.
- ◆ Please pray for our **Little Lambs staff, children and parents**, for **Little Acorns Toddler Group** and for all our children and young people at nursery/school/college and university.
- ◆ Please keep in your prayers the volunteers and customers of **Bethel Treasures Heaven Scent**.

WORLD PRAYER:

 Lord, we can only bring before you the nations of the Middle East, torn by conflict and pain. You are the God of peace and mercy, please soften hearts, calm anger, and guide leaders toward wisdom and compassion. Protect the innocent, comfort those who mourn, and bring healing where there is deep hurt. Let Your justice and peace flow like a river across every land.



 Please continue to 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.



Notes and News

Sadie Slim

The memory book for Sadie is still on the memory table at the front of church. If you knew her and would like to write something in it, John and Tracey would be very happy.

Men's Evening

For future men's meetings, can you give your preference on whether Thursday or Friday evenings would be best for you on the board coming around.

The May and June dates are also on there, can you tick if you can make either the Thursday or Friday for both of those too please.

Left to Their Own Devices?



Care for the Family are again touring with this live event, this time the closest to here would probably be St Peter's Baptist Church, Worcester, WR5 3TZ (although adjacent dates are available in Telford and Solihull - details on the noticeboard) This one is on **Tuesday 2nd June**, starting at 7.30pm. Further information and booking at

www.careforthefamily.org.uk/events/tourevents/left-to-their-own-devices/

Table Top Sale

Many thanks to everyone who helped out in any way before, during and after the Table Top sale yesterday. Fuller report next week!

Stall at Wollescote Park Event

This **Monday, Bank Holiday 4th May**, we have a table at the Classic Car & Bike Show at Wollescote Park, selling toys. This event starts at 10am and finishes at 3pm so we can do this one in shifts. Hayley will start the day and Jane will finish it. If you have volunteered to come along, please see us today so we can work out who is coming when, so that we always have 2 or 3 people on the stall at a time. Still time for you to add your name to the list of volunteers! And please come along and see us at the event, and support the Friends of Wollescote Park too.



**Mon
4th
MAY**

EXHIBITOR TICKETS ONEVENTHREE

<http://www.eventhree.co.uk/wollescote-park-classic-car>

OR EMAIL IAN MACAULAY
WOLLESCOTEPARKCLASSICS@OUTLOOK.COM
This is Family Friendly Community Event.
All monies raised support projects in the park.
Pop-up cafe Open, Stalls, Refreshments & BBO

**HOT Samosas
LIVE MUSIC
DJ JACK BATE**

**FREE ENTRY
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Notes and News

Holiday Club

For primary school aged children (4-11)

Mon 3rd - Fri 7th August
10am-2.30pm
£10 per day

Please send your child with a packed lunch each day, snacks & drinks will be provided!!

We hope you can join us for an energetic and creative week of fun and laughter as we enter a World of Imagination.

We have lots of activities planned during the week including workshops with Neive from Stagecoach Stourbridge and Angie and her animal friends from Angie's Animal Antics.

There are only 25 places available so please see Clare to book your place or call or email Bethel office on 01384 892137 - admin@bethelchapel.org.uk

Payment in advance is essential to secure your place

One Way Holiday Club

A reminder that One Way Holiday Club will be running from **Monday 3rd to Friday 7th August**, 10am - 2.30pm, at a cost of £10 per day. There are only 25 places available in total, so if you would like to book in, please see Clare ASAP to secure your place.

Also a reminder that 'normal' One Way is **next Saturday**, for those of primary school age.

Hadestown

Rehearsals are now well under way for Neive Marrison and everyone at Stourbridge Amateur Operatic Society Youth Theatre for their upcoming production of Hadestown at Stourbridge Town Hall between **2nd - 4th July**.

Hadestown is a folk-jazz musical retelling the Greek myths of Orpheus/Eurydice and Hades/Persephone, set in a Depression-era, industrial underworld.

Performances at 7.15pm each day and an extra matinee at 2.15pm on the Saturday. Tickets are £18.50 - either see Hayley or go to

www.seaty.co.uk/Organisation/saosyouththeatre

SAOS Youth Theatre
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PRESENTS

HADESTOWN

TEEN EDITION

BY ANAÏS MITCHELL

2ND TO 4TH JULY 2026

STOURBRIDGE TOWN HALL

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA TO BE THE FIRST TO HEAR ABOUT AUDITION INFORMATION & TICKET DETAILS

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THE AMATEUR PRODUCTION OF HADESTOWN TEEN EDITION IS PRESENTED BY STOURBRIDGE AMATEUR OPERATIC SOCIETY YOUTH THEATRE

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BETHEL TREASURES *Heaven Scent*

190-191 High Street, Quarry Bank, DY5 2AB

please call in any day they are open, you will be made most welcome

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays 10am - 2pm - Saturdays 10am - 1pm



It's almost time for Bethel's

Summer Fayre

Saturday 13th June, 12.00pm - SIX WEEKS YESTERDAY!

Six weeks for us all to do our bit – it is such a lovely community event and it is a chance to outreach and share God's love in a lovely way in our local community, as well as adding still much needed pennies to our budget.

Church is experiencing the cost of living crisis just as much as everyone else, our bills and expenses have all gone up, some frighteningly so! So we really need to pull together to put on a lovely community day which raises lots of funds so that we can keep everything running and our outreach groups can carry on without us having to increase prices too much.

If you have not been involved in a fayre at Bethel before (you just don't know what you are missing!) and would like to find out more about what it involves, please have a word with Jo Rowan, Hayley or Shelley – it is so very rewarding and it is a privilege to serve God and share with our local community working together in this way. The organising group are finalising who is allocated to the stalls and they ask that if you haven't put your name down and would like to volunteer please see fill in the sheet today to save on the phone calls!

Help is urgently required with the following:

Prayers for lovely weather for 13th June!

Grand Draw tickets are now available, please pick up yours today if you haven't already. Please buy, and sell to your friends, family and colleagues, as many Grand Draw tickets as you can – if you want to donate for tickets directly into the Bethel bank account, (TSB sort code 30-93-75 Account No 00331844) please change your ref. to Grand Draw so that we can pick it up easily and print out your tickets for you. We have plenty additional tickets if you need more books, don't be afraid to ask!! If you are not able to sell all the tickets given to you, please bring what you don't use back so we can re-issue them to those that need more.

Thank you to all those who have contributed so generously to the Donations board to help cover the cost of the more expensive stalls, eg BBQ, strawberries, all the set up items, etc. It is still available if you are able to help in this way – remember to 'gift aid' it if you pay tax, so we can get 25% more for no extra cost! *(It is the same bank account details as for the Grand Draw*

if you wish to transfer your donation directly into the account, again please change your ref to "Donation" so we can allocate it correctly.)

Also the Grand Draw board is still available if you could help by supplying a prize. Please bring Grand Draw items into the church office when you are ready – remember to attach a note with your name and 'GRAND DRAW' to your item when you bring it in so that it doesn't get re-assigned to any other stall in error! The same goes for Special Bottles and Special Chocolates.

Please bring in items as soon as possible if you are able to help with any of the following stalls:

Bottle Stall - please start to bring in bottles of various types and values - we need in excess of 500 bottles - **please can we try to bring our bottle contributions in over the next couple of weeks** so that we can also get the preparation and panic of bottle counting out of the way early.

Plants for the plant stall – if we all bring one each we will be blooming! Cuttings, flowering plants, indoor plants, vegetables or any plant pots and gardening paraphernalia welcome! Please leave any outdoor items at the top of the car park.

Cakes – calling all home bakers, we especially need your help with some lovely cakes for the cake stall this year (to bring in on the day).

Bags of in-date sealed/wrapped sweets and any chocolates you are able to get on special offer! – for the chocolate and sweets stall. We are aware that the price of these items has gone up a lot, so if you see any bargains, please let us know!

Pickles/Jams/Chutneys – if you are able to make any of these, we have lots of jars that can be used – please just ask and we can get you what you need.

Toy Stall - we need lots of good quality second hand toys – please can we sort toys as soon as possible as they need to be prepared for sale.

Gift Stall / Tombola – **urgently required** - gifts and items suitable for either of these stalls including gift sets, toiletries, fragrances, biscuits, candles, jewellery, small children's gifts, etc.

Good quality Jewellery, Handbags, Scarves

We also need volunteers to wrap and wash toys at home, we already have some items that need wrapping so if you can help, please have a word with Jo, Hayley or Shelley or leave a note in/ring the office.

**LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU
AS WE WORK TOGETHER IN HIS SERVICE**



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 3 May	Next week 10 May
Sunday door welcome	Bev Southall	Nigel Cook
Flowers arranged by	Clare & Jorja	Jane & Philip
Sunday coffee/tea	Reece Faulkner	Jane & Clare
Sunday morning Vacuuming	Nigel Cook	Reece Faulkner

PRAYER AND FASTING ROTA		
Sun	3	Mariann Smith
Mon	4	Jo Rowan
Tue	5	Jane Hart
Wed	6	ALL BETHEL
Thu	7	Wendy Weston
Fri	8	Jane Hodges
Sat	9	Jill Berry
Sun	10	Jane Hart

The flowers in church this week have been provided by

Anne & Kyle Foxall
in memory of John Foxall,
who would have been 79
on 4th May

