

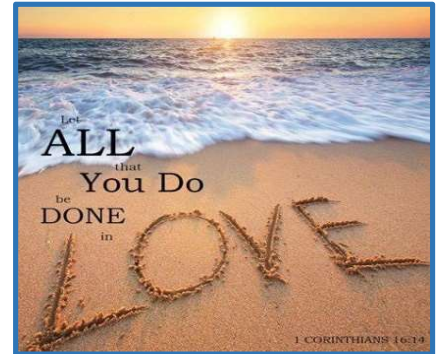


The Stream

June 2024

Dear family,

We hope that you have been able to enjoy the better weather and improved temperatures recently and welcome you to the June edition of The Stream. We hope you enjoy it and if you have anything that you would like to see more of or any contributions, please let the Leadership Team know.



Message from Mike...

Hello church,

How quickly the months are passing, by the end of June, Nicky and I will have been with you for six months. In that time, we have covered some pretty heavy themes, salvation, justification and sanctification.

Coming through all those themes though, is our relationship with the Lord Jesus and how to develop that relationship by reading the bible and prayer.

Reading the bible should be intentional, structured but also memorable. I wonder if we just pick chapters and verses at random when perhaps we should follow a plan with a view to increase our knowledge of a particular book, character, or theme. Perhaps sometimes we don't read at all when our schedule is too busy or perhaps we would have to get up earlier, miss our favourite television show or spend less time on our phone.

Praying is not just a list of things we want or need for ourselves or for our family and friends but is a time spent with the one who is supposed to be our best friend, our number one. We wouldn't meet with a human friend and just give them a shopping list and send them off to provide everything for us so why do we do that to God? Prayer is a time for praise, saying thank you, confession and repentance and telling Jesus about our day, our thoughts, our worries and our hopes and fears.

1 Peter 5 v 7 'casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you'

He wants to hear all that and wants us to listen. As Ron said his latest preach, 'two ears, one mouth, let's keep them in proportion.'

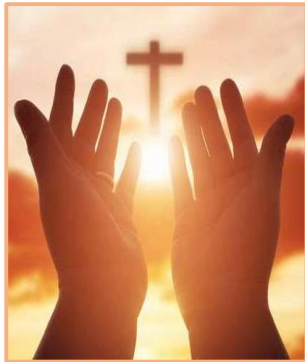
This month think about developing a healthy habit of reading your bible and praying. Choose a time of day when you can pay best attention. Find a bible reading plan, there are so many available. You can find them online, or there are books available. Develop a way you can best talk to God. Write down your prayers, your praise and thanksgiving, your worries and fears if you don't know how to say them out loud. The Lord hears our prayers whether spoken or written, whether loud or quiet and he answers them.

Be encouraged, love in Christ, Mike.



Sunday Service Details

Date	Leader	Speaker	Comments
2 nd June 2024	Rowan Troy	Mike Collins	Sanctification - Identity in Christ (2 Corinthians 5 v16-17)
9 th June 2024	Mike Collins	Ron Owen	Glorification - Intro (Isaiah 61 v1-3)
16 th June 2024	Rowan Troy	Mike Collins	Glorification - All glory goes to God (Psalm 86 v8-13)
23 rd June 2024	Mike Collins	Rowan Troy	Glorification - Jesus' glorification (Acts 3 v12-16)
30 th June 2024	Rowan Troy	David Collins	Glorification - Suffering and glorification (2 Thess 1 v 5-12)



Prayer

We pray for those who are currently facing ill health or difficulties:

Jenny Kelly – We lift our prayers for Jenny and her family as she undergoes her cancer treatment. We pray for strength and that there is no return of the cancer in the future.

George Britton – We pray for George and for his continued progress in rehab following his stroke and for Eileen and their daughters as they continue to support him.

Nicky's Dad – We continue to pray for Nicky's Dad and for healing following the procedure to remove cancer from his scalp and also that the other procedures are soon able to be completed.

If you have an emergency/particular prayer need please speak to any of the Leadership Team who will be happy to pray with you, or contact Janet for inclusion on the Emergency Prayer Line.



Mission Without Borders Summer Camp

On Sunday 2nd June at NBCF there will be a selection of bakes to raise money to enable children in Eastern Europe to attend Summer Camp offering a respite from the stresses that face them every day at home. Not only can they enjoy childhood experiences but it provides an opportunity to hear and receive the love of Jesus in their lives. For many Summer Camps are the highlight of their year.



New Barn Garden Safari

New Barn Garden Safari is taking place on Sunday 23rd June between 12noon and 6pm. Visit 6 gardens all within walking distance and enjoy their beauty reflecting the different personalities of their owners and at some enjoy refreshments or purchase some plants to take home. Entry to visit all the gardens is £5 pp which will be donated to the RNLI's 200th anniversary. You can pay in cash on the day at any of the gardens and for further information please speak to Eve.



Gravesham Foodbank

The Foodbank would very much appreciate the following items (particularly those in red but please remember no baby food or baby milk) – thank you:



Tinned meat pies
Tinned meat
Tins of vegetables
Tins of tomatoes
Tins of pulses
Sweets / Chocolate bars
Microwavable hot puddings
Instant noodles

Tins of baked beans
Cereal bars
Crackers / savoury biscuits
Honey / peanut butter
Shampoo / conditioner
Shower Gels



NBCF Day Out at the Seaside

Please don't forget to let the Leadership Team have your ideas and suggestions for the NBCF day out at the seaside, or if you are would like to help organise this please us know



Dates for Your Diary:

Churches Together in Gravesham Open Air Service - 9th June 12.30pm to 3pm: Joining together in open air worship with Churches Together in Gravesham in the Fort Gardens, Riverside Leisure Area, Gravesend. Noel Robinson will be leading the time of worship and there will be testimonies and prayer focusing on healing and bringing people to the Lord.

Churches Together in Gravesham Networking Lunch - 13th June 12noon to 1.15pm – join and network with other Christians at the RCCG City of His Grace, The Mercy Centre, Rose Street, Northfleet, Kent, DA11 9EQ



New Barn Garden Safari - 23rd June between 12noon and 6pm – In aid of the RNLI, please see above for further details.

So Loved, Women's Conference - 28th September 9.30am to 4.30pm – Wilmington Community Church are hosting a Women's Conference with inspiring worship, hearing from God and teaching from inspirational speakers. The theme this year is "Having a story to tell". Please scan the QR code or speak to Janet for details and tickets.



Cool Tots - every Thursday during term time 10-11.30am – Cool Tots is a Church service for children from birth to school age held at St George's Church, Gravesend. Perhaps you have family or friends who may like to join this easy introduction to the Bible.

Current Groups at NBCF (for further details please call Ron Owen - 07850 004696)

Group	Day	Time	Details
Bible Study	1 st Tuesday of the month	1.45pm	Janet's home – Sermon on the Mount – Matthew Chapter 6
Dartford Life Group	Wednesday	7pm	Edna's home – Varied themes as befits the attendees and the evening
Welcome Wednesday	Wednesdays	1-3pm	Longfield Hill Community Hall - a friendly 'pop up' club with refreshments, board games, talks, demonstrations and activities, open to all
New Barn Life Group	Thursdays	7.30pm	6th June at Eve & Richard's home – Prayer evening for our Missionaries led by Mark Leveson 13th June at Eve & Richard's home – The Chosen, series 3, episode 3 led by Ron 20th June at Eve & Richard's home – Bible Study, pick any NT letter and see what we can learn from it, led by Janet 27th June at Eve & Richard's home – Prayer evening for our Missionaries with Doug & Jeanette led by Rupert
Prayer Group	Fridays	5pm	Via Zoom , please contact Janet for joining instructions

All groups are open to everyone and all are most welcome

For further details, please contact the organiser or email newbarncf@outlook.com

The Leadership Team

Keep in touch and please contact any of the below at newbarncf@outlook.com:

Pastor: Mike Collins
Leadership Team : Lynne Bishop, Paul Bishop and Ron Owen
Safeguarding Lead : Nicky Collins

*For further details on any of the above, please see our website at newbarncf.org.uk.
If you have something that you would like to be included in the next copy of The Stream, please speak to any of the Leadership Team, or email newbarncf@outlook.com with your article by the 25th of the month.*