



QUEENS ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

A Day of Prayer and Fasting

On Saturday the 10th June we will be holding a special 24 hours of prayer and fasting. We have held this event for the last 2 years, to great success. I'll be talking in the sermon about why we are holding it, but I thought I would explain how we are doing it.

In the first year we did this, we were still under various aspects of lockdown, such as social distancing and masks, and we therefore met on-line. In the second year, we gathered together in the Church. This year we have decided that it should be mostly on-line. We have done this for several reasons.

Firstly, although many of us, if not most of us, are now living without any real ongoing limitations due to Covid, we recognise as a leadership that several in our fellowship are not. We therefore wanted to run the day of prayer and fasting in a way that would enable as many people as possible to take part.

Secondly, we had feedback that having a single physical meeting that lasted the day had limited people's ability to take part, due to other commitments or responsibilities on that day.

Therefore, because an online day affords an opportunity for those who are still concerned about larger meetings, and for those with other responsibilities to join in and take part, we have moved most of the prayer meetings back online. The only meeting that will take place in person will be the final gathering, where we will meet and pray together with those who can make it in person. We recognise that this is not perfect for everyone but we believe it is the approach that gives us the best coverage that we can have.

The timeline and topics for the events is below. As we have said before, please do not fast food if it is inadvisable that you do so, instead fast something else that you enjoy that you may give up safely. We look forward to praying with you, and seeing what God does in our midst.

Timetable for day of Prayer and Fasting:

9:30 - 10:00 - Welcome and opening

11:00 - 12:00 - Prayers for our Church

12:30 - 1:10 - Personal reflection

2:00 - 3:00 - Prayers for Mission / Youth and Families

4:00 - 4:40 - Time of listening

5:30 - 6:10 - Closing, prayer and takeaway

Rev Neil Martin