



# **WOODLANDS EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

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**Blenheim Drive Allestree**

(Partner church at Springwood Drive, Oakwood)

**A warm welcome to our services today.**

**Sunday 21 February 2016 A.D.**

**10.30am All-age Holiday Bible Club service  
(everyone in all the time)**

*Phil Butcher*

*Refreshments are served after the morning service and before the evening service. Do please join us.*

**7.00pm Praise, prayer, communion & Bible teaching  
Authentic Christian living**

**The problem with favouritism**

*James 2:1-13*

*Steve Adam*

*(p. 1213 in the church bibles)*

**Visiting? Please do take a moment to give us a record of your visit by filling in one of the "Welcome Cards" which can be found on the tables as you came in.**

If you are thinking about regularly worshipping with us, do take a WELCOME PACK, giving more details about ourselves and the activities that run mid-week – see one of the Stewards.

**Stewards can help you find your way around our building if you need assistance.**

Toy bags are available to borrow from the sideboard in the front foyer if you feel your children would appreciate them during the service.

**Children & Young People have their own groups part way through the morning service. Crèche facilities are available.**



**HELLO and a big**

, if you are a visitor to our church today and especially if you have come along this morning because of our Holiday Club, Epic Explorers, this last week. It's so good to have you with us. Please make yourselves known to us and we are so glad that you have come.

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**A big thankyou** to everyone involved in Epic Explorers. It's great to work together in this way! Phyllis especially wants to say how grateful she was to have such a lovely group of young people acting as 'runners' for her, serving drinks and washing up afterwards each day.

*The **Growing in Maturity course** continues on Monday night. This monthly year-long discipleship group will be open to a new set of participants from June this year. Speak to Phil for more information.*

The **Oakwood Elders** are meeting together on Tuesday morning.

*The **2:42 leaders** continue their training on "How People Change" this Tuesday evening at 7.45pm – at the home of Tim and Philippa Gunn.*

### **For your prayers...**

The Elders will be interviewing candidates for the post of church administrator on Wednesday afternoon this week.

Our **Allestree Elders** are meeting together on Thursday evening.

### **In case you haven't yet heard...**

Our brother, Frank Morgan, was called away to be with Christ on Thursday 11 February; he was 89. 'To be with Christ is much better' (Phil. 1:23). Please uphold his family in prayer at this time of loss. Details are: Monday 14 March - 1 pm burial at Hulland churchyard, Dog Lane. 2 pm thanksgiving service here at church.

### **Also**

Few of the present members of Woodlands will have known **May Howes** who died in Dereham, Norfolk on February 14th. May and Russell were active members here for several years. He was an elder for several years, and as well as activities like Sunday School, they were heavily involved in our self-build first extension of the church - May always ready with food and a warm welcome.

### **CALLING ALL HANDY PEOPLE!**

The building we meet in is only a building but it is SUPERB FACILITY which gets an enormous amount of use every week. We are desperate to expand the small team which takes on minor repairs/D.I.Y. jobs to keep this facility in good working order and 'fit for purpose'. Please, please, please if you can lend a hand on an irregular basis, please speak to Sue Smith, our church administrator, as soon as possible. We are called to be stewards of the good gifts that God has given us. (Haggai 1:4).

*The latest **Church Directory** is now available, one per family. Please take a copy today. If there are any errors, omissions etc., please let Sue Smith know as soon as possible.*

**Quote, unquote: "Every religion has a prophet who is pointing people to God. Jesus is the only one who says, "I am God, and I am coming to find you." - Tim Keller**

Our next **Church Business Meeting** is on Wednesday 2 March at 7.45pm. Agendas have already been emailed out. Paper copies can be found on the table in church.

**SPRING GIFT DAY** - Sunday March 20th. As usual this gift day will be for our internal needs as a church. The building needs some projects tackling - such as replacement blinds in the main hall and double-glazing in the back hall. We have a number of outreach events planned - including the Mark drama (see below) and BOB's guest speaker. The new congregation may well need some extra funding as they begin to look at how they are going to reach out with the gospel. Please come ready to give. If you pay income tax, you can gift aid your donation which gives the church an extra 25%, from the government – at no cost to yourself. Please use one of our envelopes by the offertory box or fill in a gift aid form – these can be obtained from either Kevin or Sue Smith.

**To all Woodlands Ladies.**

**Pudding Club** is planning an evening of coffee and chat on Friday 26 February at Costa Coffee by the Odeon Cinema.

We suggest meeting from 7.30pm onwards. The café shuts at 9.30pm. Any ladies from Woodlands would be very welcome and we look forward to a relaxed, informal time to catch up with each other.

If you are interested please can you put your name on the list at the back of the church building to give us some idea of numbers.

**Curry and Film Night – the Book Thief**

**Those going to Kosovo at Easter are holding a Curry and Film Night on Saturday 5 March from 7.30pm. to raise money to take with them when they go. Suggested voluntary donations of £10 to cover the meal and film are encouraged! Please speak to Sarah Johnson for tickets.**

**We are hoping to perform the Mark Drama as an outreach event over the weekend of May 21st/22nd this year. To do this we will need 15 actors - 8 men and 7 women! More information will be forthcoming soon - but please be thinking about whether you might be involved. Speak to Phil Butcher for more information.**

**A strange request....!**

If anyone has any old wooden (not plastic) cotton reels (with or without cotton on them!), please can Philippa have/borrow them. Bring them along to church and there will be a box to collect them in. Many thanks.

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Advance notice that our **ANNUAL CHURCH CLEAN** will be on Saturday 23 April.

## **DERBY BIBLE WEEK**

This is to give you advance notice of the Derby Bible Week event for 2016, where we have Lee McMunn speaking on the subject:

**Lost for words - Jonah: why we often stay silent about Jesus**

The meetings will be held each evening at 7:30pm, from Monday 11th April to Thursday 14th April, here at Woodlands Evangelical Church.

In addition there will be **morning sessions** on each day, where Lee will speak on the same subject as in the evening. The morning meetings will be held at **Christchurch**, Great Northern Rd, Derby DE1 1LR, from 10:00am with refreshments, with the main meeting from 10:30 - 11:45 am. This will include singing, book reviews, videos etc., so no-one needs to feel that they are missing out in any way. Crèche facilities will also be available, though this facility will need to be pre-booked to ensure sufficient cover.

## **THIS WEEK AT WOODLANDS – in the church and community**

Monday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Acorns
Tuesday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	OAKS; GIG/IMPACT
Wednesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	Acorns; Jonda & Susi's 2:42 cleaning
Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Ladies' Bible Study
Friday	26 <sup>th</sup>	Acorns
Saturday	27 <sup>th</sup>	
Sunday	28 <sup>th</sup>	

## **Opportunities to serve the Lord and each other.**

<b><u>Responsibilities</u></b>	<b><u>21/2/16</u></b>	<b><u>28/2/16</u></b>
<b><i>Crèche</i></b>	Parents to cover in family service	Esther, Marie, Priscila, Christine S
<b><i>Stewards:</i></b>	Malcolm & Colleen	John & Maureen
<b><i>Stewards pm:</i></b>	Stuart	Malcolm
<b><i>Duty Elder</i></b>	Mark	Jon
<b><i>Refreshments:</i></b>	Heather, Sue W, Mike & Hazel	Linda, Glen & George
<b><i>Refreshments pm</i></b>	Colleen	Jonathan & George
<b><i>Chairs:</i></b>	Stuart, Rich L, Alex, Mark	Matt C, Richard S, Thiago
<b><i>Flowers:</i></b>	Jo S	Jeanette

### **Church Notice Sheet:**

Items for the next notice sheet must be passed to Sue Smith by Wednesday evening. Details can be left in her pigeonhole, ring her on 551074 or you can ring the office, 551336, where there is an answer phone or email: church-admin@hotmail.co.uk.

### **Giving to Woodlands:**

If you would like to make a gift on a Sunday to Woodlands, there are collection boxes fixed to the walls as you come into the Church Hall.

### **Sunday 28 February 2016 A.D.**

**9.30am Prayer downstairs in the Burrow – all welcome!**

**10.30am All-age praise, prayer and Bible teaching**

**'The splendour of the King'**

**Questions to trap the King**

***Luke 20: 20-47***

***Tim Gunn***

**7.00pm Praise, prayer, communion & Bible teaching**

**Authentic Christian living**

**What IS saving faith?**

***James 2:14-26***

***Richard Lock***