



WOODLANDS EVANGELICAL CHURCH

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Blenheim Drive Allestree

(Partner church at Springwood Drive, Oakwood)

A warm welcome to our services today.

Sunday 8 May 2016 A.D.

**10.30am All-age praise, prayer & Bible teaching
'Fearfully and wonderfully made'
Humanity gloriously restored**

Phil Butcher

[MIX] in the service & GIG/IMPACT in their groups.

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

**7.00pm Praise, prayer, communion & Bible teaching
On the way to the Promised Land
Bread from heaven**

Exodus 16:1-35

Tim Gunn

(p. 73 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.**

*****For information:** Castlefields Church will be using our building after the morning service for a baptism***

▶ **Contact: Full time Pastors: Tim Gunn (01332) 556484 & Phil Butcher (01332) 553025
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The **Christianity Explored** course will be starting tomorrow at Tim & Philippa's house at 7.30pm so don't miss out. There will be 7 sessions on Mondays on the following dates: 9, 16, 23 May, 6, 13, 27 June and 4 July. There is still time to join the course so do please speak to Tim in the next 24 hours if you'd like to come along.

CONKERS: This group for dads and their children (under 5s) will be meeting next Saturday 14th May 8.30-10.30am in the church building. There is a cooked breakfast for dads and a variety of activities for all to do. Price £3 per dad. See Tim Rosier for more details.

2:42 Leaders' training: The 2:42 leaders are meeting on Wednesday 18 May at 7.45pm at the home of Tim and Susi Dumbleton to continue their training course on 'How people change'.

The Mark Drama: This is a brilliant way to introduce your unbelieving friends and family to who Jesus is and what he has done for us. A cast of 15 from across the Woodlands congregations are now learning Mark's Gospel, to be able to present it in on Saturday 21st May at ParkView School, Oakwood at 7pm & here in our **Allestree** building on Sunday 22nd May at 6pm. It lasts 90 minutes and will be followed by refreshments. It is suitable for 8s and overs - so no infant school, preschoolers or babies please! There are fliers available today that you can use to invite people. Tickets cost £2 and are available from **Helen Bunting** & on the door on the night. Please be inviting people NOW and don't miss out on this great opportunity.

Growing in Maturity (GiM) men's group. This is a year-long discipleship programme, with the aim for men to grow in their understanding of what God's Word teaches, how to handle God's word correctly and learning to pray for one another's growth and maturing in the faith.

On the GiM course we study Bible Doctrine & Bible handling skills together using two books - "Bible Doctrine" by Wayne Grudem & "Dig Deeper" by Nigel Beynon & Andrew Sachs. Each month there is some prescribed reading and then we meet for one evening a month to go over that reading and apply it to our lives. Additionally, each group member is encouraged to meet with another man once a month for an hour to pray for one another and use some discipleship questions to grow godly accountability in each other. The course runs from June to May and Phil Butcher is looking for a new group of guys to commit for 2016-17, ready to start in June. Ideally a group of 6 or so men. Please speak to him soon for more information & to sign up.

Programme cards: The new programme cards have arrived from the printers and are available today. As ever, please take one for yourself and use it to pray and prepare as you come on a Sunday. There are plenty of spare copies which can be given to family and friends as an introduction to our church and all it does. The cards are written with these folk in mind!

INTERESTED IN FOSTERING?

There are two fostering information events happening in Derby in May run by Derby City Council. The first is this Saturday 14th May and is a drop-in session between 10am-1pm at Broadway Baptist Church. The second is on Thursday 26th May starting at 7.30pm at Bridge House, Riverside Court, Pride Park. Please see Ruth Rimmer if you would like more information.

J.A.M (our children's work for 3 to 11 year olds) is looking for new teachers and helpers.

*Do you love Jesus as your Saviour, and is he King in your life? *Do you have a spare couple of hours in the week? *Are you willing to learn how to teach God's word to children? If you answered "YES" to these questions then becoming a JAM teacher maybe the place for you to serve in church! If you don't have spare time in the week for preparation but are interested in working in JAM we have other opportunities too - for example we need people to support some of the children in church who have additional needs. If you'd like to find out more Rachel King would love to speak to you.

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Geoff Mansfield, died 2nd May, age 92. He and his wife Margaret were founder members of Woodlands having been involved with others with Gordon and Winifred Morris in the Sunday School in their Ferrers Way home in the 1960s. Geoff was one of the first trustees of Allestree Christian Fellowship. They continued to play an active role in Woodlands for many years. In the mid-1970s there was a young member of Woodlands with learning difficulties and she was cared for by her aged widowed mother. The mother was very concerned about the long term future for her daughter and the Mansfields recognised that this could be a common problem. By the late 1970s Geoff had taken early retirement from Rolls-Royce, they sold their Allestree home and bought a large house, The Gables, on Burton Road and set up a Christian home for people with mental and physical disabilities, which ran for a number of years. Members of Woodlands today owe a great debt to the founder members 50 years ago who took on financial risks to achieve the spiritual vision they had – and which is bringing blessings to us today! His funeral is at St. Giles on Wednesday 18 May at 12 noon with a private burial afterwards.
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Thank you

Jean Dyer would like to express her gratitude to all those who have helped her over the last year or so as she has moved into Springwood House She is so very thankful for each one of you and for all the ways you have helped her.

Church Expenses

If you require reimbursing for any church expense over the next two weeks please see Adrian Wing.

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THIS WEEK AT WOODLANDS – in the church and community

Monday	9 th	Acorns
Tuesday	10 th	OAKS;GIG/IMPACT; WI
Wednesday	11 th	Acorns; SVN charity
Thursday	12 th	Ladies Bible Study
Friday	13 th	Acorns
Saturday	14 th	Conkers
Sunday	15 th	

Opportunities to serve the Lord and each other.

<u>Responsibilities</u>	<u>8/5/16</u>	<u>15/5/16</u>
<i>Crèche:</i>	Esther, Marie, Priscila & Christine	Helen, Heather, Susi & Justine
<i>Welcome Team:</i>	Mandy	George & Mandy
<i>Stewards:</i>	David & George T	David & Mandy
<i>Stewards pm:</i>	Stuart	David
<i>Duty Elder:</i>	Jon	George
<i>Refreshments:</i>	Mandy, Angela, Lesley & Carole	Philippa, Maureen, Ros J & Christine
<i>Refreshments pm:</i>	Glen	Adrian & Jenny
<i>Chairs:</i>	Andy, Peter & David	Stuart, Rich, Alex & Mark
<i>Flowers:</i>	Sarah J	Maureen

Church Notice Sheet:

Items for the next notice sheet must be passed to Colette Patterson by Wednesday evening. Details can be left in her pigeonhole, ring her on 01332 987957 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 15 May 2016 A.D.

9.30am Prayer downstairs in the Burrow – all welcome!

10.30am All-age praise, prayer & Bible teaching

MISSION FOCUS: Good News for students!

Tim Dennis, UCCF

7.00pm Praise, prayer, communion & Bible teaching

On the way to the Promised Land

God's quarrelling people

Exodus 17:1-17 Aaron Johnson

QUOTE, UNQUOTE

"If you want to judge how well a person understands Christianity, find out how much he makes of the thought of being God's child and having God as his Father. If this is not the thought that prompts and controls his worship and prayers and his whole outlook on life, it means he does not understand Christianity very well at all" - Jim Packer, 'Knowing God'
