

**CHBC Verse for the year, Matthew 22: 37-40.**

Jesus said “love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is *the* first and great commandment. And *the* second is like it: ‘love your neighbour as yourself.’



# CHADWELL HEATH BAPTIST CHURCH

Welcome! Witajcie! Bienvenue! Willkommen! Croeso! Bine ati venit! Karibu!

## **AGM, & lunch : Sunday 9th April**

We'll be having lunch straight after the church service served in the back hall where all are invited both members and non-members. The AGM is open to non-members too so that more people can be involved in the life and work of the church. Where there are confidential matters, church finance or voting these will take place in the second part of the meeting open to members only.

There will be a film in the small hall for children during the meeting. We need help with serving refreshments please see Matt or Janet

**Prayer course** – couldn't make it to small group or want to find out more about the current prayer course that each group is doing? The short 10 minute videos are available online, and are great to watch. Last week we looked at the first one on 'adoration'. Inspiring and easy to watch...take a look at <https://www.prayercourse.org/>

**Elevate Dance Company** – performance of contemporary dance work inspired by and expressive of the Christian faith. Sunday 18th June, 7.30pm, Tickets £4, at Jubilee Church Ilford, contact Richard Smith for tickets on 07587107634. [www.springsdancecompany.org.uk](http://www.springsdancecompany.org.uk)

**Happy April Birthday!** - Helen Thomas (2<sup>nd</sup>), Jenny Byrne (8<sup>th</sup>)

## **Praying for each other during this week:**

3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Andrew Nwosu
4 <sup>th</sup> April	Beri Nwosu
5 <sup>th</sup> April	Laurence Owusu
6 <sup>th</sup> April	Catherine Pargeter
7 <sup>th</sup> April	Matt Pargeter

# Welcome

## **Are you new?**

An especially warm welcome if you are visiting us. We hope you enjoy your time here. Please stay after the service for refreshments.

## **Refreshments**

Tea, coffee & biscuits are served in the back hall after the service. Everyone is very welcome!

## **Welcome to our Service.**

Janet Aveling will lead our service today and Pastor James Thomas will be continuing our sermon series looking at Jonah 3, “unexpected outcomes”. We will be sharing Communion as part of our worship.

## **Junior Church & Crèche**

Our children join us for the first part of our worship then leave for their groups at approximately 11am. There is a crèche for children aged 0-4, and junior church is in the back hall for 4-14 year olds. If you're here for the first time and would like your children to attend please speak to one of the stewards on the door who can direct you.

## **Prayer**

Would you like to be prayed for? Perhaps you're struggling with ill health, family or work issues, or you'd like God to move in a new way in your life. There is joy and peace when we pray together, so please speak to one of the leaders or to James, our prayer team (with yellow badges), or the stewards.

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### ➤ **Prayer focus on: Nigeria**

Continuing the theme of last week's "Prayer Focus", a pastor in northern Nigeria has written: "I can't count the number of people in my congregation I have buried because of Boko Haram. Many people left my place because of the levels of persecution, but I said no – I cannot leave my church because I am the pastor. If I run away and leave my congregation, what will I say to them? How could I preach dependence on God? I said, for me 'to live is Christ and to die is gain'. If I die, it will be for the sake of the church.

"When I have been under attack, I knew that people were interceding, praying and asking God for protection for my life. Prayer is very powerful, it has no boundary. Were Christians not to stand and intercede on our behalf, our story would be different.

*Pray that God would give us a heart of forgiveness."*

### ➤ **Praying for our church and community**

**Please pray for those people who need a special touch of God's presence in their lives at the moment:** Anne Isbell, Louise Blackwood, Doris & Dennis Doe, Daisy Gordon, Douglas & Eunice Ruddock.

**CHBC AGM** – as we meet to consider what happened last year and plan for the year to come, please pray for God to be in our midst, guiding us and leading us into his plans for his church and community.

**Gavin Lynch** – please pray for Gavin's dad who is seriously ill in hospital. For God's comfort, peace & wisdom to surround the family.

**Easter preparation** – as we approach Easter pray you'd have time to reflect on the amazing sacrifice and the victory of Jesus, that the immensity and truth of Easter would strike us again.

**Rev. Freddy Farias-Palacios.** Please pray for Freddy & his family as they leave Eastern Avenue Baptist Church and move to minister in Bangor, North Wales.

### **This week (Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> – Sunday 9th April)**

<b>Tuesday:</b>	Morning prayer	6.30am, prayer room
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>Small groups:</b> Dan & Michelle: Matt & Cathy:	8pm, Back hall 8pm, 110 Kenneth Rd
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>Small groups:</b> Jim & Pamela: Ade & Jenny:	10.30am, Back hall 8pm, 99A Kenneth Rd
<b>Friday</b>	Police drop-in session	10 am Back Hall
<b>Sunday:</b>	Morning service Lunch & AGM	10.30am Sanctuary 12.30pm, Back hall

### **Easter diary dates**

✝ **Good Friday Communion Service – 10am**

✝ **Good Friday walk of witness** - Join with us and local Christians. The walk begins from St Thomas Church, Haydon Rd, RM8 2JN at 12noon. It will go up Valence Avenue, past the station, along the High Road, and finish at CHBC at around 1pm for our open-air service, with refreshments.

✝ **Easter Saturday family morning; journey back in time**  
A community event for families–taking an interacting trip back in time to explore the last week of Jesus' life before his death and resurrection. *Please take flyers and posters to give out.*

✝ **Easter Sunday Celebration Service – 10.30am**

**Whalebone Safer Neighbourhood Team** is holding a drop-in session at CHBC this Friday. It's an opportunity for local residents to come and meet their local police and raise any questions they may have.

**7th Chadwell Heath History Fair** - Saturday 8th April, 10am-4pm at St Chads Church. Come and explore the history of Chadwell Heath and surrounding areas with talks and exhibits. Free admission