

February 2021

Welcome to Chadwell Heath Baptist Church

What's on this month:

- ❖ **Sunday worship.** 10.30am each week.
(Communion is on 7th Feb, and this will also be our covenant service for 2021.)
Join us online for Sunday worship together.
(find all the service links and booking form on the CHBC homepage, www.chadbaptist.org.uk)
- ❖ **Weekly Tuesday morning prayer:** 7-7.45am.
Join us at the start of the day to pray together.
Join us on Zoom, or if you're not able to connect online, please still pray with us.
- ❖ **Monthly Wednesday prayer meeting.** 10th February at 8pm. Please join us for our monthly prayer gathering. Details of the Zoom call will be sent out on WhatsApp/email. If you don't have internet access then please still pray with us for that hour.
- ❖ **Ladies prayer:** Saturday 27th February, 8-9am. We are currently meeting over Zoom, and Ade will post details on the Ladies WhatsApp group. If you're not part of the group and would like to be then please email office@chadbaptist.org.uk with your name and mobile phone number.



Praying for each other daily:

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people." Ephesians 6:18

1 st – 5 th Feb	
Monday:	Betty Wiffen
Tuesday:	Gabriel Akintunde
Wednesday:	David Atkins
Thursday:	Kelechi Atulomah
Friday:	Janet Aveling

8 th – 12 th Feb	
Monday:	Dan Black
Tuesday:	Michelle Black
Wednesday:	Lorna Bolton
Thursday:	Jenny Byrne
Friday:	David Chan

15 th – 19 th Feb	
Monday:	Kathy Chan
Tuesday:	Clementine Dea-Gueu
Wednesday:	Julie Dennis
Thursday:	Hulda Dublin
Friday:	Vida Duku

22 nd – 26 th Feb	
Monday:	Pam Dyer
Tuesday:	Tony Eboji
Wednesday:	Ade Fakile
Thursday:	Ecojo Fredrick
Friday:	Patience Fredrick

A very happy birthday to:

Jim Hadley (8th), Anne Isbell (22nd), Eunice Mwaura (28th)

Pastoral care

If you need some additional support or a listening ear, please don't struggle alone. Contact Michelle who leads our pastoral care team at michelle@chadbaptist.org.uk or call on 07958 905157.

Prayer focus: India

Please continue to pray for our Christian brothers and sisters in India.

The Evangelical Fellowship of India (EFI) recorded 327 instances of discrimination and targeted violence against Christians in India in 2020, including five murders, at least six churches burnt or destroyed, and 26 incidents of social boycotting.

The strict Covid lockdown saw a marked increase in targeted hate and violence against Christians. In certain Indian states, Christian families and especially pastors were refused government food aid by the distributors.

According to the EFI, "The most alarming development has been the expansion and scope of the notorious Freedom of Religion Acts, which are commonly known as anti-conversion laws." Though the laws ostensibly prohibit only religious conversion by force, fraud and allurement, Christians who are actively and lawfully sharing their faith are vulnerable to false accusation, and the laws, in effect, have the potential to criminalise all conversion. At least 66 Christians were falsely accused or arrested in 2020.

Please ask God to protect Indian Christians against discrimination and violence, and to comfort those who have lost loved ones.

Pray that rising Hindu extremism will be quelled and that political leaders will pursue peace rather than division.

Pray, too, that a clear Christian witness will be maintained in India through the faithful ministry of the Gospel.

Please pray for:

- Damaris Mukui who was quite unwell with Covid, we give thanks that she is recovering, and please pray for her as she resumes her studies and supports William.
- Thank God for answered prayer, particularly for Tony Eboji following his successful operation last month, also for William Mwaura and Michelle Black who are recovering after Covid, particularly for Michelle – for God's strength to renew her.
- Please do pray for our building development. There's lots of discussions going on so do pray for the Lord's continued guidance and intervention as we walk along quite a complex path.

Prayer for the Nation,

In response to reaching the terrible milestone of 100,000 deaths from COVID-19, the Archbishops in the Church of England invite all to call on God in Prayer. Starting on 1 February we invite you to set aside time every evening to pray, particularly at 6pm each day. More than ever, this is a time when we need to love each other. Prayer is an expression of love. You can find some prayer resources at www.ChurchofEngland.org/PrayerForTheNation.

