



Eastwood Baptist Church

Weekly News Update

Sunday 12th September 2021

We are very pleased to welcome Pastor Fred Onwuchekwa back this morning: he is preaching on The Labourers in the Vineyard and the reading is Matthew 20:1-16.

This afternoon Jo Hellenbrand is preaching on the theme of HOPE reading from Romans 5:1-5

Using our church for WORSHIP:

With the lifting of restrictions regarding Covid we are able to open up our church more fully.

You can now choose where to sit and whether to wear face coverings.

The Sanctuary will be well ventilated.

We would ask that you do not attend church if you have any Covid Symptoms or have been requested to self-isolate.

Please continue to use the hand sanitisers

We welcome you all.

Resuming this Sunday afternoon at 3pm

Sunday Afternoon Tea Service



Enjoy a traditional service followed by refreshments and fellowship.

2nd Sunday of the month 3pm



**Shoebox
Launch 2021 at
the 10.30service**

Many thanks to all who made last Sunday's Baptismal Service such a great experience. It was a truly memorable event supported by many of our church family as well as Annette's own family and friends.

Social Media

Follow us on **Facebook** to keep up to date with what is going on at Eastwood Baptist Church (look for logo)

YouTube Recordings:

A decision has been made not to record our services until we have our live streaming in place. We have experienced sound issues with our temporary arrangement using a mobile phone. This is regrettable but the best decision at this time. We will keep you informed as to when live streaming is going to be ready in the near future. Thank you - EBC Leadership Team.

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These newsheets are available online but if you would like a hard copy regularly please ask Rosie or Graham. Thank you.

Original Hand Made Cards by Carole Collier

Lovely hand-made cards by Carole are available to purchase with proceeds going to EBC Carole can be contacted on 01702 511895 who will discuss your requirements and arrange delivery to any of our EBC family.

FOR OUR PRAYER TIMES

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Pray that the new forming government in **Afghanistan** will be prepared to live peaceably, not just within their own borders, but with other countries.

Persecuted Christians. Pray about the persecution of over 260 million of our Christian brothers and sisters in countries around the world, that God will lift up Christians living under the constant threat of violence or injustice, simply because of their faith.

The number of refugees arriving in flimsy boats on the shores of this country continues to set new records. Pray that our Government will act with wisdom and compassion in dealing with this situation. But also pray that God will move mightily, in addressing the wider problem of refugees in the world, with over 82 million people having been forcibly displaced in recent times.

Our world. Pray about the problems of climate change, famine, poverty, war, and economic imbalance between countries-the gap between rich and poor.

Covid19. Pray for the over 200 countries in the world where Covid19 is being suffered by so many people. Pray that Governments and people of influence around the world will increasingly work together-to share their collective knowledge, experience and wealth so that everyone can benefit from the vaccines and protocols which are required to beat this disease. In this country, pray for wisdom from Government, and all of us, as we continue to live with this virus. Pray that some current shortages in the supply chain, especially of some essential foodstuffs and medical equipment (because of Covid illness and protocols, and reduced numbers of lorry drivers) will be eased.. Pray that as we enter Autumn, that Covid booster (and flu) vaccinations will be readily available.

In EBC. Continue to pray for those who are unwell, that they may rest in God's care as they receive treatment and support. As we start to be able to do more, thank God for enabling us to meet at our normal Sunday services, and to restart other things, our tea services, women's fellowship, Pinocchio's, Friday club and Energise. Thank God that the easing of restrictions is encouraging our regular, and some new, hirers to start their sessions. Thank God for Annette's baptism last Sunday, and the witness of her faith. We also thank God for his continued guidance in our search for a new minister."

THIS WEEK 'S ACTIVITIES

Monday 13th September 10.00-11.30 Pinocchio's

14.30 Women's Fellowship

15.00-16.00 dropping off Food Bank donations

Tuesday 14th 10.00 Green FISH Bible study

Wednesday 15th September Food Bank open

09.30-11.00 for guests with vouchers to collect goods

Friday 17th 10.00-11.30 Pinocchio's

11.30 -12.30 dropping off Food Bank donations

18.30-19.30 Friday Club resumes

19.45-21.00 Energise resumes

Next week September 19th at 10.30 Morning

worship will be led by Andy Drake from Chelmsford YMCA

Weekly teas and coffees: please add your name to the rota in the vestibule if you can help with these.



Thank you to our local Morrisons who have generously given us a £50 voucher.

The Community Champion is very supportive of our work.

Harvest at Eastwood Baptist Church 25th – 26th September 2021

Saturday at 5.30pm for Family fun and games led by our resident Christian Magician Neil Keeble. Drinks provided, bring your own snacks. No entrance fee or booking required All welcome.

Collecting Harvest Donations of food and toiletries to the Southend Foodbank



Sunday Morning Worship Service 10.30am



Advance Notice: our next

Members Meeting will be on **October 3rd** following the morning service at 12.30 with either a bring your own or a bring and share lunch.

Please save all used stamps for RNIB and place in box in vestibule Thank you.