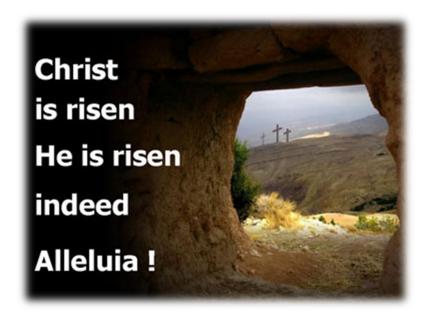


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Spírítual and Socíal Transformatíon in Belvedere, Bexley, Britain and Beyond

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HOUSE GROUPS

God himself exists in perfect community in the three persons of the Trinity – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – and this is how it was from the beginning. So, it is not surprising that God created us to be in community with each other too.



Here at BBC being part of a home group is the best way to get to know people and feel part of our fellowship. We're following the model of the early church where large, congregational meetings in the temple courts were balanced with small group meetings in people's homes.

There are two of these that you can decide to join at present, though please ask for up to date info in case of changes.

Host:	Belvedere Baptist Church		
Leader:	Mick Harvey		
When:	Tuesday 7:30 – 9:30pm		
Where:	Helen Bennet's home		
Spaces:	All welcome		
"A friendly and talkative group keen to learn how to apply biblical examples to our personal lives. Light- hearted teaching with practical application."			

Host:	Belvedere Baptist Church		
Leader:	Linda Tythe + others		
When:	Wednesday 11am – 12:30pm		
Where:	Refresh Centre		
Spaces:	Speak to the leaders		
	" We have a chatty Bible study		
	together and pray each week for each other's needs, our topic		
	Discover and share Bible		
	insights"		

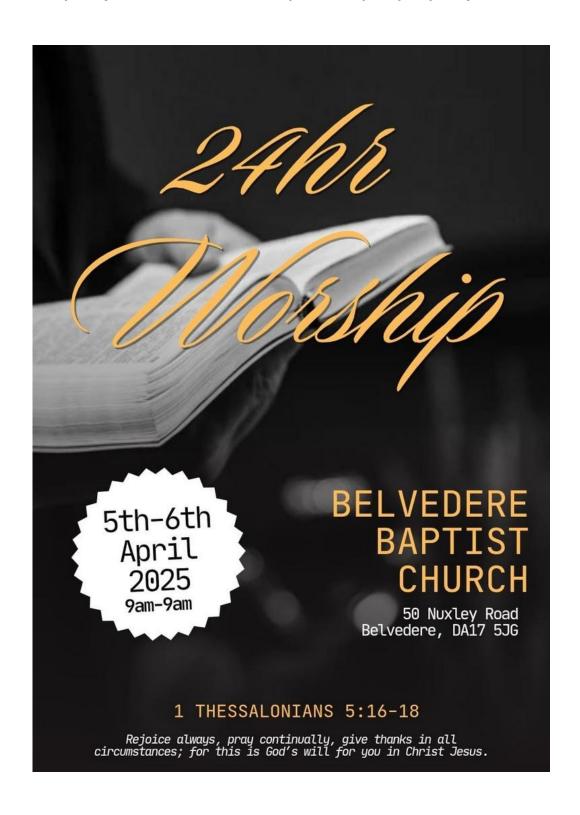
MONTHLY NOTICES

Ladies' Discipleship group

Note: The next Ladies' Discipleship Course is on Saturday, **5th April** at Helen Bennett's starting at 10 am with Danish pastries as usual! All are welcome! Details from Wendy on 07437 598550.

Prayer Zoom/meeting

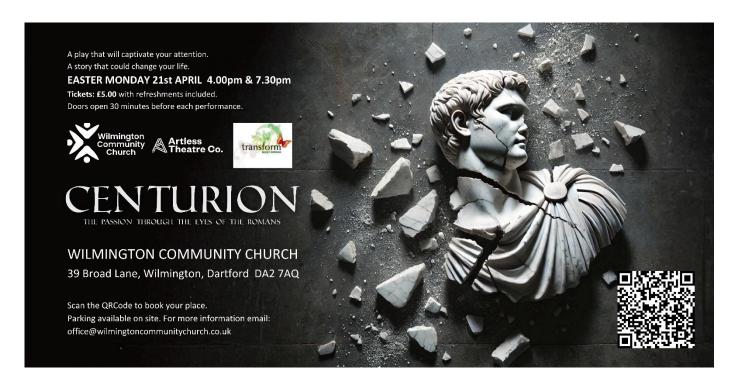
Every Friday from 7.20 pm for 7:30 start – ends at 8:30 pm. This will be on Mick's Zoom account (843 775 2449 password 5831) except the last Friday of the month when we will meet in person at the church from 7:30 – 9:00 pm (but see below for special April prayers).



We plan to hold 24 hours of worship at Belvedere Baptist Church from 9am on Saturday 5th April to 9am Sunday 6th April.

Prior to this, we had 10 days of prayer meetings at the church (fasting not compulsory but recommended) from 24th to 28th March and again from 31st March to 4th April. We will meet at church from 7pm to 9pm on each of those dates to pray for the 24-hour worship and for BBC.

The Passion through the eyes of the Romans – a play



Please consider supporting this initiative by Gordon Raggett and Wilmington Community Church which will be held at the Artless Theatre on the 21st April. There will be two performances on the day: at 4.00 pm and 7.30 pm. Performances last for two hours, including a 15- minute interval. There will be a short Gospel presentation after each performance and a copy of Luke's Gospel will be offered to all guests.

The cost for the day is £1,320 plus the cost of refreshments - so donations will be requested for the refreshments.

Tickets are priced at £5.00 to make it manageable for guests, and there is a limit of around 120 people for each performance. Do invite your non-Christian friends and family to this evangelistic event.

CRiBS for prayer

Please pray for CRiBS as two teams continue their performances around the primary schools finishing on Friday 4th April. They would then have completed 43 performances between them!

Project Linus



Project Linus UK is an organisation made up of volunteers who make patchwork quilts and knitted blankets to gift to children who are sick, disabled, disadvantaged or distressed.

A group of these volunteers was formed several years ago and met weekly in the wool and fabric shop in Nuxley Road. When that shop closed the group continued to meet first in Hadlow Road in Welling and since the covid pandemic at Belvedere Baptist Church. That group now consists of thirteen stitchers including two ladies who are officially co-ordinators for our

area of SE London. We meet to make our quilts and at regular intervals decide where to deliver them and any others that have been donated to us via the PLUK website. We are often contacted by other quilters with their quilts and unwanted fabric all of which we try to use.

Our quilts are distributed to the Women's Refuges in Bexley, Bromley and Greenwich, Lewisham Hospital prem baby unit for their incubators, Imago, a group that supports young carers in Bexley and Demelza Children's Hospice. We've also been asked in the past for special individual quilts which we've been happy to provide. The photos show us on our latest allocation day when we decided which quilts to donate to the various groups. We have donated over 2000 quilts in the few years that we have been working.

BBC moving forward

At the last church members' meeting on 16th March, it was unanimously agreed that we would stop seeking for a paid lead elder and instead work toward running the church ourselves, similar to how we have been doing for the last five years. This will allow and facilitate the improvement and development of body ministry giving everyone the opportunity of growing in their faith and service.

There will be a list coming soon with the different things that need people's input. It will include speaking and sharing in different ways in the services, outreach, hospitality and pastoral, building maintenance, administration and building the church family socially.

This is a unique opportunity for everyone to use their individual gifts, talents and availability to grow the church family, and see God move. Any training needed will be provided, we are not looking for professionals, just people who want to grow in their walk with God in serving the church family and the community.

When the list is ready, please tick the box(es) you would be interested in considering. You can try anything, there is no obligation to continue if you realise something is not for you. Please consider how you can help to build up the body of Christ at BBC.

We have guest speakers booked to visit the church on the last Sunday of every month until the end of July. We will be inviting a variety of different speakers through the year. If there is a particular organisation you would like to see represented, please let me know. If you have any questions, please contact me micknwen@gmail.com

Many thanks, Mick

Regular building users:

Break-through School, daily except Wednesday and holidays – 9 am to 2:30 pm

Nuxley Quilters, 3rd Monday
Knitting (alternating), Monday at 10 am (see calendar)
Slimming World, Tuesday and Thursday – 5 to 8 pm
Linus Quilters, Wednesdays at 10 am
Living Seeds, 3rd Saturday
Salem Ministries, Sundays – 1 to 4 pm



APRIL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday, 1st	7-9 pm	Special prayers for BBC and 24-hour worship
		(including Mick's house group)
Weds, 2 nd	11:00 am	House group (Linda)
	7-9 pm	Special prayers for BBC and 24-hour worship
Thursday, 3 rd	2:00 pm	Thursday group
-	7-9 pm	Special prayers for BBC and 24-hour worship
Friday, 4 th	7-9 pm	Special prayers for BBC and 24-hour worship
Saturday, 5 th	9:00 am	Start of 24-hours of worship
	10:00 am	Refresh and Healing on the Streets
	10:00 am	Ladies' discipleship group
Sunday, 6th	10:30 am	Sunday morning worship service and
		communion/members' meeting
Monday, 7 th	10:00 am	Refresh café
	10:00 am	Knitting
Tuesday, 8 th	7:30 pm	House group (Mick)
Weds, 9 th	11:00 am	House group (Linda)
Thursday, 10 th	2:00 pm	Thursday group
Friday, 11 th	7:30 pm	Zoom prayer meeting – ends 8:30 pm
Saturday, 12 th	10:00 am	Refresh and Healing on the Streets
	2:00 pm	Tea Dance
Sunday, 13 th	10:30 am	Sunday morning worship service
Monday, 14 th	10:00 am	Refresh café
Tuesday, 15 th	7:30 pm	House group (Mick)
Weds, 16 th	11:00 am	House group (Linda)
Thursday, 17 th	2:00 pm	Thursday group
Friday, 18 th	7:30 pm	Zoom prayer meeting – ends 8:30 pm
Saturday, 19 th	10:00 am	Refresh and Healing on the Streets
Sunday, 20 th	10:30 am	Easter Sunday morning worship service
Monday, 21st	10:00 am	Refresh café
	10:00 am	Knitting
Tuesday, 22 nd	7:30 pm	House group (Mick)
Weds, 23 rd	11:00 am	House group (Linda)
Thurs, 24 th	2:00 pm	Thursday group
Friday, 25 th	7:30 pm	Zoom prayer meeting – ends 8:30 pm
Saturday, 26 th	10:00 am	Refresh and Healing on the Streets
	2:00 pm	Tea Dance
Sunday, 27 th	10:30 am	Sunday morning worship service
Monday, 28th	10:00 am	Refresh café
Tuesday, 29 th	7:30 pm	House group (Mick)
Weds, 30 th	11:00 am	House group (Linda)