



The Baptist Church,
Brierfield

October 2026





We meet in a warm, friendly atmosphere to praise and worship the Lord Jesus Christ.

Please do join us.

Sunday Services

We are in Chapel each Sunday and ask that you join us to worship our Lord Jesus Christ together and to share in the fellowship of the Church family.

The services start at 10:30 am and are also streamed live on YouTube - check our website for the service link.

<https://www.brierfieldbaptistchurch.org.uk>

Midweek Activities as announced.

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Do you have something you would like to be included in next months newsletter? Please hand anything you would like adding to Richard I'Anson, or by email to newsletter@brierfieldbaptistchurch.org.uk

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Praying with Purpose

(a short message by Cynthia I'Anson)

We all know how important prayer is in our daily lives, and we model our prayers on the Lord's prayer given to us by Jesus himself to show us how to pray. I would like to share a few thoughts on the Lord's prayer with you.

I cannot say 'Our'	If I only live for myself.
I cannot say 'Father'	If I don't even try to live as His child and follow His way.
I cannot say 'Hallowed be thy name'	If I am playing around with sin.
I cannot say 'Thy kingdom come'	If I am not allowing God to reign in my life.
I cannot say 'Give us this day our daily bread'	If I am trusting in myself instead of in God.
I cannot say 'Forgive us our sins'	If I am nursing a grudge or unable to forgive someone else.
I cannot say 'Lead us not into temptation'	If I am deliberately placing myself in its path.

I know we all know the above but it is so easy to just recite the Lord's prayer without really thinking about what we are saying.

Cynthia

Items of Interest & Dates for your Diary

Bible Studies/Prayer Meetings

Please pray for these and attend if at all possible, starting at 7:30 pm.

October	13 th & 27 th
November	10 th & 24 th

Bible Study sessions are fortnightly (See dates above) we meet in the Church Lounge starting at 7:30pm. The sessions will be led by David and everyone is welcome to join us, if you have never been before, why not come and join us.

Friendship Group: Meet once a month on a Wednesday and is open to all Adults. We have a varied programme of events and each evening is followed by a light supper for a small fee. Our next meeting is 14th October at 7:30pm when we will be playing board games.

If you would like to join us just come along or speak to a member of the Friendship Group for more details.

Prayer Meeting: Joan, Cynthia & Bernice have begun meeting on Tuesday mornings at 9:45 for a time of prayer, if you would like to join them or for more information, speak with one of them.

Evening Services: The next Evening Service will be on October 25th when the Service will be led by Jack, and the November Service will be led by Capernwray and will be on November 29th and everyone is welcome.

Shoe Box Appeal: It was agreed at a recent Church meeting to once again support Samaritans Purse and their Shoe Box appeal. Janice has agreed to organise this again and is looking for Items or money donations to purchase items for the boxes. To make a donation or find out what items are needed, then speak with Janice. There will be a box packing session on Tuesday 6th October at 6:30pm, if you wish to come and help us prepare the boxes.

Music Group: The Music Group are looking for anyone who can play an Instrument, can you play the organ or sing. If you would be interested or wish to know more speak with Melanie.

Maintenance Team: We continue meet most Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. for a couple of hours to carry out maintenance work on the Church building, for more information speak to Grahame or Mark.



Family Praise Services:

It was agreed at the Church Meeting on the 22nd September that next year our lunch plan will go back to special occasions. Easter, Anniversary, Harvest & Christmas, with others as notified.

The final three monthly Praise & Munch Lunches are below and we do hope you can join us for one or all of them, everyone is welcome.



Praise & Munch Rota 2026		
Date	Menu	Organiser
25th October	Baked Potatoes	Melanie
29th November	Soup & Sweets	Angela
20th December	Christmas Buffet Lunch / Party	Elaine / Cynthia

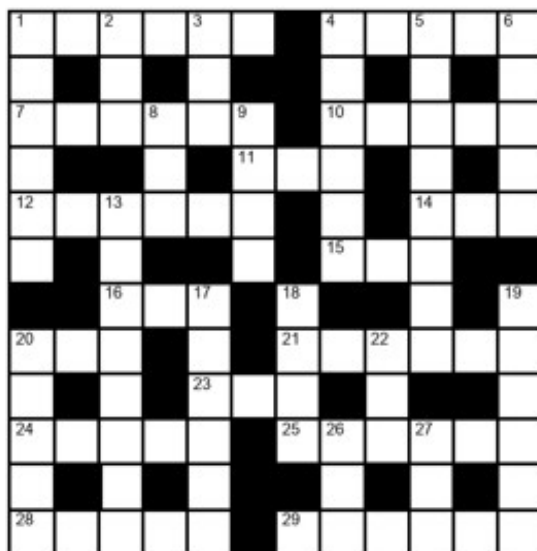
Monthly Newsletter: The next Newsletter for November will be out on the 25th October. We are always looking for items to put in the newsletter, or if you have any suggestions then please speak with Richard or Mark. Any items must be with us by the second Sunday of the month to be included in the following months newsletter. If you would like to be added to email list for the Newsletter then let Mark or Richard know and they will add you.

New Website: We have recently Updated our website, if you haven't already visited it why not take a look. It's full of up to date information and dates for your diaries along with lot's of useful information on Church Event's and Activities. <https://www.brierfieldbaptistchurch.org.uk/>

Prayer Chain: We would like to remind everyone that we do have a Prayer Chain, which is used when we know of someone who is in need of urgent prayer. If you are not already signed up and would be interested in joining this useful tool for urgent prayer, please give your email address to Kathryn who will be pleased to add you. If you have Urgent Prayer then also send a message to Kathryn, details in this Newsletter on the Prayer Matters Page.

Puzzles

QUICK BIBLE CROSSWORD XVI



by Philologus

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Across

- 1 A priest of Midian (6)
- 4 Red Sea parter (5)
- 7 Blustery (6)
- 10 One in charge (5)
- 11 Death (3)
- 12 City where Paul preached (6)
- 14 Type of testament (3)
- 15 Scarlet (3)
- 16 Atmosphere (3)
- 20 Possess (3)
- 21 Cross to bear (6)
- 23 Adversary (3)
- 24 One of Job's friends (5)
- 25 Gives in (6)
- 28 Have a dispute (5)
- 29 Like God (6)

Down

- 1 Fairly (6)
- 2 Number of men crucified with Christ (3)
- 3 Male sheep (3)
- 4 Unlawful killing (6)
- 5 Magnificent (8)
- 6 Stable bedding (5)
- 8 Decay (3)
- 9 A.D. 70, for example (4)
- 13 Status (8)
- 17 Type of city (6)
- 18 Follow the rules (4)
- 19 Togetherness (6)
- 20 Alpha's counterpart (5)
- 22 Deeply regret (3)
- 26 Place to stay (3)
- 27 Falsehood (3)

MISSIONARY

M N H K F D K I N L S E C N E I T A P M
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AUTHORITY	FELLOWSHIP	KINDNESS	SALVATION
BIBLE	GENTLENESS	LOVE	SERVICE
COMMUNITY	GOSPEL	MERCY	SHARING
COMPASSION	GRACE	MISSION	TEACH
DEVOTION	HELPING	PATIENCE	UNITY
DISCIPLESHIP	HOPE	PRAYER	WITNESSING
EVANGELISM	JOY	PREACH	WORSHIP

Jesus heals Jairus's daughter.

Matthew 9:18-26; Mark 5:22-43; Luke 8:40-56



Last Months ANSWERS

QUICK BIBLE CROSSWORD XV - SOLUTION



Across: 1 Horses, 4 Threw, 7 Slanderers, 8 Spit, 9 Altar, 11 Present, 13 Galilee, 15 Asaph, 17 Envy, 18 High Priest, 20 Ruddy, 21 Doubts.

Down: 1 Hyssop, 2 Salt, 3 Singing, 4 Theta, 5 Rue, 6 Wiser, 7 Sisera, 10 Talent, 12 Tarried, 14 Elymas, 15 Asher, 16 Happy, 17 Esau, 19 God.

Bible Crossword by BiblePuzzles.com

HARVEST

SOLUTION



Prayer Matters



During September our Bible study group met to read and discuss Paul's letter to Philemon. It is a private letter regarding the runaway slave, Onesimus. It seems that Onesimus ran away after stealing from his master. He met up with Paul and became a Christian. Paul encourages him to return to Philemon and ask for forgiveness. On becoming a Christian we put our faith in God to forgive us for our sins and that we also forgive those who trespass against us. Neither of these are easy to do. This short letter reminds us of the need for repentance, forgiveness and love for each other. We ask this every day in the prayer that Jesus taught us.

“Our Father in Heaven ...Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us” Amen

Kathryn

*If you have anything you would like to be added to the prayer chain,
please send it to Kathryn:*

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Please leave a message if there is no immediate answer





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Weekly Service Rota

October			November		
4 th	Preacher	Missionary Service	1 st	Preacher	Gareth Earnshaw
	Service Leader	Nigel Leeming		Service Leader	Elaine Lord
	Door Steward	Bernice Baldwin		Door Steward	Anne Kellow
	Evening Service	No Service		Evening Service	No Service
	Communion End Of Service	David Leeming		Communion End Of Service	Neil Binns
11 th	Preacher	David Jackson	8 th	Preacher	Cenotaph
	Service Leader	Melanie Lewis		Service Leader	
	Door Steward	Janice Greenwood		Door Steward	
	Evening Service	No Service		Evening Service	No Service
	Communion Start Of Service	Mark Wilkes		Communion Start Of Service	Janice Greenwood
18 th	Preacher	Tim Doggart	15 th	Preacher	Prize Giving
	Service Leader	Elizabeth Wilkes		Service Leader	Michael Patterson
	Door Steward	Angela Higgin		Door Steward	Mark Wilkes
	Evening Service	No Service		Evening Service	No Service
	Communion End Of Service	Nigel Leeming		Communion End Of Service	Grahame Baldwin
25 th	Preacher	Susan Western	22 nd	Preacher	Martin Ashby- Smith
	Service Leader	Mark Wilkes		Service Leader	Neil Binns
	Door Steward	Glenys Leeming		Door Steward	Jack Wellman
	Evening Service	Jack Wellman		Evening Service	No Service
	Communion Evening Service	Cynthia l'Anson		Communion End Of Service	Peter Lewis
			29 th	Preacher	Capernwray
				Service Leader	Bernice Baldwin
				Door Steward	Neil Binns
				Evening Service	Capernwray—
				Communion Evening Service	David Leeming
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Vestry Prayers

October			November		
4 th	Nigel	Kathryn	1 st	Cynthia	Peter
11 th	Cynthia	Neil	8 th		
18 th	David	Joan	15 th	David	Kathryn
25 th	Nigel	Janice	22 nd	Nigel	Neil
			29 th	Cynthia	Joan
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