



GILGAL BAPTIST
CHURCH

To know Jesus better, and to make Him better known

Park Avenue, Porthcawl

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Sunday 10th May 2020

Please join us for our **Online Social Media Worship Service**
(Facebook, YouTube and <http://gilgal.co.uk/news/pastors-blog>)

Theme: Worldwide Disasters and Deliverance

Genesis 6:1-10 and Matthew 24:37-39

Your News: If you have any news to share with the fellowship, or a praise report or prayer request please let our pastor know by email at gillardmc@aol.com or phone 01656 771168. We rejoice that over 90 people now receive this weekly update. There are also short mid-week updates from our Pastor on our Social Media sites, containing a biblical reflection, the latest church news and some pointers for prayer.

Prayer Needs

Those Bereaved: Our pastor will be leading the funeral service of Alan Malcolm Davies at Porthcawl Cemetery on Friday afternoon 15 May. Please remember his family in your prayers.

Pastor Martin also asks for prayers for his father Stan Gillard who is receiving treatment following a bleed behind his eye last weekend.

Those in Hospital: Margaret Carey-Jones; Ray Panter.

Those in Residential Care: Ann Thomas (Picton Court); Doug Davies, Pat Eales (Monkstone House); Beryl Surringer (Newton Care Home); Carole Vanden Branden (Breaksea); Charlotte 'Lyn' Davies (Penylan House, Cardiff). Pray for the health and safety of both residents and staff during this difficult lockdown period.

Praise report: Thank God for the safe arrival of a new Baby granddaughter for Julie and Martin Blackwell. Congratulations to all the family.

We have had much positive feedback on our social media broadcasts. Please pray that God will use these to encourage faith in the Lord Jesus Christ among those who believe and among the not yet believers.

Laura Lee Lovering has sent a video from Peru which is available for us to watch on the Baptist Missionary Society website: www.bmsworldmission.org/video/update-laura-lee-lovering. Please watch the video and remember Laura and our mission workers in your prayers.

Deacons Meeting: For the first time ever our Deacons meeting this month will be held using social media (Zoom). Please remember our leadership team in your prayers as we adapt to new technology during the lockdown period.

Prayer Chain Requests: Please send any emailed prayer requests to Alan Harris at a.harris476@btinternet.com or alternatively you can call Alan on 784118.

Telephone Prayer: If anyone wants to be prayed for over the telephone, please contact Karen Challenger as Prayer Ministry Team Leader. This could be thought of as an alternative to visiting the Prayer Corner for prayer ministry. Karen can be contacted on her mobile 07795 516369. If she is not available, please leave a message and she will get back to you.

Church Announcements

Children, Youth and Families Videos: Our associate pastor Steve Lock and team have been updating our website and social media pages this week. Check out the new Jellybeans (Toddlers) video, and look out for a Messy Church video both on Facebook and our website.

Church Magazine: The latest Gilgal Magazine is now available on our Facebook page and website <http://gilgal.co.uk/news/gilgal-magazine>. Thanks to Ed Lewis and all the contributors for another great magazine. Unfortunately, paper copies are not available at this time.

Seeds in Pots: Alison and Phil Armstrong are preparing sunflower seeds in pots as a gift to members of the fellowship. They are a reminder that a new season is breaking forth and that God is at work even when we cannot see it (Isaiah 43:19). Thanks to them both.

Do You Need Help? If you need help to collect essential food or medicine please contact Pastor Martin (at his home 771168) or Daphne Harris (786249) and we will do all within our power to help.

Foodbank continues to operate at the Y Centre on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10am until 12 noon. If you know of anybody who is struggling financially, please encourage them to come to the Y Centre when the Foodbank is open, or to ring Margaret and John on 772115. Deliveries can be arranged to people's homes if they cannot collect the food themselves.

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