



GILGAL BAPTIST
CHURCH

To know Jesus better, and to make Him better known

Park Avenue, Porthcawl

Registered Charity 1134864

Each of you should give
what you have decided in your
heart to give, not reluctantly
or under compulsion,
for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7

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Sunday 7th June 2020

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

Today's Guest Speaker is Gary Smith, UK Hubs Director for the Message, an evangelistic agency that places 'Eden' teams in deprived areas to bring about community transformation, runs schools and prison ministries, job training and enterprise creation, the Eden Bus ministry and youth evangelism training and special outreach events.

We have had much positive feedback on our social media broadcasts. As well as our Sunday services, there are also short weekly updates each Wednesday, containing a biblical reflection, a couple of worship songs, the latest church news and some pointers for prayer.

Keep Sharing Your Faith: Please help us get the message of Jesus out to the community around us, please 'share' and 'like' our social media pages and broadcasts, so that many more will hear of the love and hope that comes through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Keep the Good News Stories Coming: It has been very encouraging to hear so many wonderful stories of our Gilgal members and attendees doing their bit to help each other during the Coronavirus crisis and lockdown. Well done, and keep up the good work.

If you have any news to share with the fellowship, or a praise report or prayer request, please let us know. It would be lovely to have further lockdown testimonies to share for the encouragement of us all. We rejoice that almost 100 people now receive this weekly update.

Prayer Needs

Those Bereaved: Peter and Verity Jenkins and family following the recent death of Verity's father Brian Kimpton.

Those in Hospital: Margaret Carey-Jones; Layla (Granddaughter of Jean Brooks).

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.

Leaders Meeting: Please remember our Deacons/Leaders online meeting this coming Wednesday in your prayers as we seek to be guided by the Holy Spirit and respond positively to the challenges to Christian community life during the Coronavirus crisis.

Prayer Chain Requests: Please send any emailed prayer requests **both** to Karen Challenger at karenchallenger1@googlemail.com and to Alan Harris at a.harris476@btinternet.com Alternatively, ring Karen on 07795 516369 or Alan on 01656 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

Sports Chaplaincy UK (SCUK). There is increasing interest in and involvement happening in Sports Chaplaincy with 6 new sports chaplains in Wales recently completing training (our pastor is chaplain to Bridgend Ravens RFC). One local opening along the Welsh coastline is for Lifeguard Chaplains. Also, currently, Porthcawl RFC are without a chaplain to follow on from the ministry of Rev. Paul Floe (Trinity Church). If you are interested in serving the Lord in chaplaincy please ask our pastor for more information.

Porthcawl Foodbank: Congratulations to Porthcawl Foodbank on receiving a gift from Porthcawl Comprehensive School via BAVO towards their work in the community.

Help Wanted: We are looking for someone to help us with the recording of our worship songs for Sunday service videos. It would be helpful if that person was a Christian who is technically savvy, not shielding or isolating, and free to come to the recording sessions at Park Avenue on Wednesday mornings. If you think you can help or would like to know more please contact Cathryn Hodges on 857610 or pastor Martin on 771168.

CD's: We are making copies of services on CD's for those with no internet access. If you would like to start receiving these, please let Liz Rees (451208) know.

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

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