



To know Jesus better, and to make Him better known

Park Avenue, Porthcawl

Registered Charity 1134864



Sunday 21st June 2020

Noah (6): "Noah & Sons" - Genesis 9:18-29

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

After the service, please join us for coffee and a chat from 11.30 – 12 noon on Zoom.

Use the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81721287154>

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.

CD's: We are also 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.

Prayer Needs & Praise Reports

Congratulations to Jean Brooks on becoming a great-grandmother to baby Poppy who was born last Thursday, six weeks premature but doing well in Morriston special care baby unit.

Those in Hospital: Margaret Carey-Jones.

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 residents and staff to be kept safe and well.

Prayer 2020: Will you please pray the following prayer on Saturday 20th June at 20:20 pm for 20 minutes or you can pray your own prayers. "God of all generations, we thank you for every young person that has put their trust in you. We pray that they would be given confidence and boldness to share their story with their friends. Give them support through family, friends and youth leaders to enable them to follow in your ways." (John 14 v 6)

An International Day of Prayer for our Emergency Services takes place on Thursday 25th June. On that day, please pray for our first responders including our police, across the UK and also the world. Please join in prayer at any time, wherever you are, on that day.

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.

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.

Church Announcements

Greetings from Suriname: We have received greetings from Nick Day who attended our Tuesday Bible Study and Prayer Meeting while staying mid-week in Porthcawl to work at Port Talbot Steelworks. Nick is now living and working in Suriname (South America) and has watched some of our broadcasts online.

Baptist Missionary Society Links: We have received a letter from our BMS link missionaries Julia and Matt in Eastern Europe. If you would like to receive a copy please let us know. Please remember them in your prayers.

Re-opening the Park Avenue Worship Centre: We have carried out a Risk Assessment as recommended by the Baptist Union and have attached with this news sheet an outline of our plans to re-open for individual prayer on Sunday afternoons, starting from June 28th. If you have any questions or concerns please contact us for further information.

Youth Worker: In keeping with the decision of our January Church Members Meeting we are now advertising for and actively seeking a Christian Youth Worker to join us in God's work at Gilgal. The closing date for applications is the end of July. Use the following link to see the job description and application form: <http://gilgal.co.uk/about/vacancies>. Please share this with anybody you know who might be interested in applying.

AGM/Members Meetings: As soon as the Coronavirus Lockdown Restrictions allow, and we are able to do so safely, we will be holding a Church Members Meeting/AGM to bring our members up to date with all the ongoing important decisions concerning our church life. Please 'watch this space' for further details.

Essential Repairs: We have engaged a builder to repair the western wall and windows (the former Toddler Corner). This work will begin this week and we hope to have it completed as soon as possible.

Sanctuary Refurbishment: To help us with the major building project of refurbishing the sanctuary/worship area at Park Avenue, we have updated the architectural plans, retained Richard Bond of Roger North Long and Partners as project manager, and are now seeking quotes from builders for doing the work.

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