



GILGAL BAPTIST  
CHURCH

To know Jesus better, and to make Him better known

Park Avenue, Porthcawl

Registered Charity 1134864

May the God of  
hope fill you with all  
joy and peace as  
you trust in him.

Romans 15:13

### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2020

#### **Online Worship: The Healing Power of Hope**

What does it mean to 'Hope in Christ'? **Romans 5:1-8**

Please join us on 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, using the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81497851187>

If you can't get the link to work or are struggling with Zoom, Cathryn is willing to help – please contact her by phone (857610 or 07968 178589) or at [cathrynhodges@hotmail.com](mailto:cathrynhodges@hotmail.com).

#### **5 pm Transitional Service (Park Avenue): Serve One Another**

How May We Serve? **Galatians 5:13-26**

This is a short and simplified service of Christian worship, with the content limited by the current government hygiene and social distancing restrictions. If you are shielding, vulnerable or have any Covid-19 symptoms please stay at home and be blessed by our online services. For the time being, our main Sunday Service remains the online social media worship Service.

**Our response to coronavirus:** To protect the health and wellbeing of all who attend our live Sunday service we ask you please to observe **2 metre** social distancing and we urge you to wear facemasks unless you have a medical condition that prevents you from doing so. Thank you for your cooperation - any queries, please contact Liz.

## Prayer Needs & Praise Reports

**In Hospital:** Molly Lakin (Helen Lock's mother); Gwyneth Bridger.

**At Home:** Ann Jones, who has had a fall and banged her head; Gerry Thurston; Elaine Newman (Richard's wife), who has broken her arm.

**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); Margaret Carey-Jones (Glanffrwd, Pencoed).

**Praise Report:** Thank you for the many phone calls with messages of support and most of all your prayers for my granddaughter Layla. Layla is back home in Bath and is recovering well. She needs to have further treatment but we don't yet know when that will be. God Bless, Jean Brooks and family.

**Prayer Ministry / Prayer 2020:** Please pray the following prayer on Thursday 20th August at 20:20 pm for 20 minutes, or pray your own prayers: "Living Lord Jesus, thank you for the festivals, Bible weeks and summer missions run by Christians from different denominations. May the impact of us all working together in unity, continue through churches in every community, so that many people will put their trust in Jesus Christ." John 7 v 20

**Prayer Chain Requests:** Please send any emailed prayer requests **both** to Karen Challenger at [karenchallenger1@googlemail.com](mailto:karenchallenger1@googlemail.com) and to Alan Harris at [a.harris476@btinternet.com](mailto: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. 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.

## Other Announcements

**Church AGM:** At our AGM this week, Alison Farrow, Alison Westwood and Steve Lock were elected / re-elected to the diaconate and Liz and John were confirmed in their roles as secretary and treasurer for another year. Congratulations to them all!

**Church membership:** Also at the AGM, Larry & Carol Knowles, Charlotte Lewis and Helen Lock were accepted into membership. We will find a way of welcoming them properly soon. If you are reading this and are not already a member of Gilgal Baptist Church but would like to know more, please contact our church secretary Liz Rees, contact details below.

**Church Building Project:** At a special church meeting following the AGM, the first phase of our building project was approved, with a budget of £570,000. More details to follow soon.

**'Our Daily Bread' Bible reading notes** are available both small and large print. They arrived very late. Please ask John, Liz or Eirwen and we will make sure you get a copy. Thanks.

**Babs Rennie** has new phone numbers: Please update your church directories with the following information: Home number 01656 714661, Mobile number 07368 964512.

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