

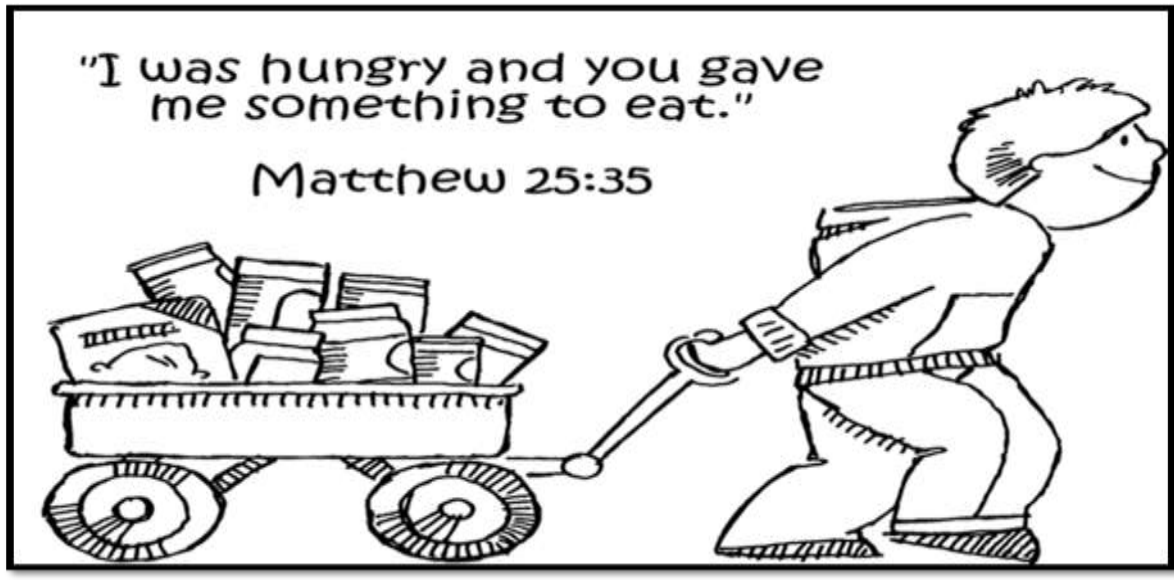


To know Jesus better, and to make Him better known

GILGAL BAPTIST
CHURCH

Park Avenue, Porthcawl

Registered Charity 1134864



Sunday 16th May 2021

'Live' Worship at Park Avenue: We welcome our visiting preacher this Sunday, Rev. Peter Idris Taylor (Moderator, South Wales Baptist Association)

10.30am: Theme: 'The Ascension' - Acts 1:1-11

Our Sunday Club leaders will care for children aged 4 years+ in the hall.

5pm: Theme: 'The Co-mission / Mission of God...!' - John 20:19-23, Matt. 28:16-20

'Online' worship: Message: Theme: 'Partnership in the Gospel' - Philippians 1:1-22
Rev. Hayley Young - Regional Minister, South Wales Baptist Association

Mid-Week Discipleship Groups:

Monday Evening at 7.30pm – Leaders John Hornsby/David Redhouse
(Meeting ID: 863 3318 2507, Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86333182507>)

Tuesday Evening Bible Study at 7pm – Leader Pastor Martin
(Meeting ID: 858 6404 7429, Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85864047429>)

Tuesday Evening at 7pm – Leader Ray Jefferies
(Meeting ID: 817 9914 1828, Passcode: EAC6uT, Zoom link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81799141828?pwd=aTZabEhFNXNuYVJNaDFPeDMwaGMvUT09>)

Tues at 7.30 pm Danygraig zoom house group Leader Gordon Lovering
(Meeting ID: 875 4204 2063 Passcode: 773396
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87542042063?pwd=YTlnOHdMYWJ2MkiOR1JLeDNQY1BvQT09>)

Friday morning from 10am until 12 noon: House group meeting in the church hall, Leader Carolynne Gillard.

For more information about any of these groups please contact their leaders.

Prayer Needs:

Those Bereaved: Steve Lock & family bereaved of his mother; Julie Blackwell & family bereaved of her mother.

At Home: Dilwyn and Ann Jones; Phyllis Phillips; Martyn Llewellyn-Smith; Nia Knowles; Gerry Thurston.

In Residential Care: Ann Thomas (Picton Court); Doug Davies, Pat Eales (Monkstone House); Beryl Surringer (Newton Care Home); Carole Vanden Branden (Breaksea); 'Lyn' Davies (Penylan House, Cardiff); Margaret Carey-Jones (Glanffrwyd, Pencoed).

Online Alpha: Please pray for the final session of this course running on Friday afternoon using Zoom, that those who attend will find answers to their questions.

Thy Kingdom Come: In this period between Ascension Day and Pentecost, please join Christians around the world in praying for more people to come to know Jesus.

Prayer Chain Requests: To help ensure your prayer requests get circulated promptly, please send them to any two of the following people: Rachel Phillips at crossmonster7@gmail.com, Alan Harris at a.harris476@btinternet.com or Caryl Gill at carylgill1@gmail.com. Alternatively, you can ring Alan on 01656 784118.

Other Announcements

We have a vision for Gilgal to hold a "Porthcawl Jesus Festival" one day in the summer holidays, but we need the Lord to lead us in many of the decisions that have to be made. To this end this is an open invitation to meet to pray at the picnic table in the far corner of the flat grassy area behind the Griffin Park Community Centre at **11am on Monday 17 May 21**. Contact Gordon for details.

John Street Witness: Last Tuesday, despite some small inconvenience from the rain, we had the privilege of talking to quite a few people, praying with one person, and giving out about 40 invitations to our church, and several dozen tracts. Brilliant! Thanks to the helpers, and to those who just stopped by to talk. Really encouraging. Praise the Lord! Again, this **Tuesday 18 May from 11am until 1pm**, near the Museum on John Street. Help, pray, or just come and chat. See Gordon.

Christian Aid collection – Cancelled: Christian Aid week collections are cancelled again this year due to the pandemic. If you would like to donate, please go online to their website or if preferred please give your donation to John Hornsby or Richard Newman who will pass it on to Elaine Newman, Porthcawl's Christian Aid Organiser.

Renewing Wellbeing: Please let John Hornsby know if you would like a copy of the book pastor Martin referred to recently called 'Slow Down, Show Up & Pray'.

Believers Baptism: Our Pastor hopes to start a Baptism Class at the end of May. If you would like to know more about being baptised, please let him know.

Claim your cushion! All the cushions that were removed from the pews at the beginning of the pandemic are out in Steve's old office in the back of the church. If anyone would like to claim a cushion please do so, otherwise they will be taken to the tip at the end of the month.

Help Us Reach Others. Please leave a comment on our social media posts as the systems algorithms will then give them wider circulation. Thank you for your support.

The Sanctuary Building Work is due to begin shortly. The church Car Park will be out of use during this time. We apologise for the inconvenience. Thank you for your patience and support during this time of disruption.

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