

Perry Beeches Baptist Church Newsletter

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NORTH BIRMINGHAM SMALL CHURCH HUB MEETING

Perry Beeches Baptist Church hosted the North Birmingham Small Church Hub meeting on 11th May. Rev Jack Sykes from Liverpool, led the session which was about evangelism and sharing your story.



Jack talked about different ways to evangelise to people, but felt that if you were seeking to share your story with someone you do not know in order to introduce them to God's story, it was helpful to think in terms of three stories: their story, your story and God's story. He also suggested using one of the following Bible passages to get started: Matthew 28:18-20, Luke 10:1-11, Acts 1:8 and Luke 19:1-10.

Thanks to everyone who attended the session and for the lovely refreshments. We look forward to the next North Birmingham Small Church Hub meeting.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

The theme of the Women's Ministry on Saturday 18th May was Esther. The ladies watched a film about the book of Esther, followed by some lively discussion.

The story of Esther reveals that whatever the appearances, God is in control. Although the enemies of God and His people are many and powerful, their plans are doomed. God's plans are the ones that will triumph. He delights in answering His people's prayers often in most unexpected ways. We will continue Esther at next month's meeting.



EVENING MEETING: WILLS AND POWERS OF ATTORNEY

Perry Beeches hosted a second session on Wills and Powers of Attorney, on 21st May, which was attended by people from the church and the wider community.

This is such an important topic and we will be having further sessions in the future. Thanks to Kenneth McDonald, member of the Institute of Professional Willwriters for putting the sessions on for us.

FAMILY SERVICE

The Sunday Service theme for the Children and Youth Fellowship groups on 26th May was John the Baptist. The children presented some fabulous art work of John the Baptist wearing camel hair and a leather belt. They also created some beautiful hearts and banners to illustrate repentance from sins and turning to God.



The Youth Group created some headlines and newspaper stories on John the Baptist. In addition, they had been learning about the Holy Spirit. They gave out some gifts which the congregation opened, each revealing a gift of the Holy Spirit.

TLG MAKE LUNCH CLUB

Transforming Lives for Good (TLG) is a national charity who have a network of churches all over the UK running holiday lunch clubs serving free, hot and healthy meals to families during school holidays. Perry Beeches Baptist Church held its first Make Lunch Club on 29th May, and welcomed 24 people in total, each taking part in activities and having lunch as families. The theme for the session was the 'Prodigal Son Story – everyone can be forgiven'.

We started the session with some exercises and then a family challenge game.



The families enjoyed the play corner, the craft table and cake/biscuit decorating, before story time.





Everyone really enjoyed the lunch and desserts afterwards. Each family also had a bag of shopping to take home with them.



Feedback from some of the families included:

"Thank you for giving the kids a great day out."

"Thank you for a lovely lunch, we all had a fun time and looking forward to supporting you again. PS: Thank you for the unexpected bag of goodies."

"Thank you, these are the treats I can't afford to buy for my kids."

Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers on the day – Freddie, Zoeta, Leticia, Pastor Tracy, Bev and Alice – we really couldn't have done it without you, it was a real team effort!

Thanks also to Transforming Lives for Good for the funding, and for the generous donation from Kings Norton Surgery.

The next Make Lunch Club will be held in the school summer holidays. Anyone interested in getting involved, please speak to Zoeta or Pastor Tracy.

EVENTS COMING UP IN JUNE & JULY

MEN'S MINISTRY – SATURDAY 8th JUNE – 11am to 1pm at Perry Beeches Baptist Church
THE FRANKLIN GRAHAM EVENT: GOD LOVES YOU TOUR - SATURDAY 15th JUNE at 6pm at Resort World, Birmingham. Free coach leaving the church at 4.30pm - contact Pastor Tracy for details.
WOMEN'S MINISTRY – SATURDAY 22nd JUNE – 10am to 12noon at Perry Beeches Baptist Church
FAMILY FUN DAY – SATURDAY 29th JUNE – 10am to 3pm at Perry Beeches Baptist Church
CHURCH TRIP TO SOUTHPORT – SATURDAY 6th JULY – For details contact Lorraine, Sandra or Brian.

WEEKLY SERVICES AND EVENTS

MONDAY

9.30am to 11.30am Toddler Group
 6pm Youth Bible Study (Zoom)

TUESDAY

9am to 2pm Perry Beeches Community Cafe
 10am to 12.30pm Food Bank (donations welcome)

WEDNESDAY

9am Prayer Meeting (Zoom)
 1pm to 3pm Afternoon Bible Study

THURSDAY

9am to 2pm Perry Beeches Community Cafe


THURSDAY (continued)

11am Coffee Morning
 7.30pm Bible Study (Zoom)

FRIDAY

7.30pm Prayer Meeting

SUNDAY

11am Sunday Morning Service  [@perry.beecheschurch](https://www.youtube.com/perry.beecheschurch)
 6.30pm Evening Service (Zoom)

ZOOM DETAILS:

Meeting Number: 3416748317
 Meeting Password: 554593

DEACONS/TRUSTEES

Chair of Deacons: **Pastor Tracy Sweet**
 Secretary: **Barbara Quarless** (Interim)
 Treasurer: **Angela Bent**
 Worship: **Robert Lewis**
 Premises: **Antonio Dewar**
 Ministries: **Vinnett Madourie**
 Community: **Belinda Belle**
 Children & Young People: **VACANT**
 Communications & Marketing: **Zoeta Brown**

If you have any concerns, please contact the appropriate Deacon who will endeavour to deal with the issue as soon as possible.

PRAYER REQUESTS

GOD HEARS OUR PRAYERS (Psalm 116.1)

Do you or a loved one need prayers? You are not alone; we all need prayers.

Please send your prayer requests to Pastor Tracy or put in the Prayer Boxes located on the ground and first floors.

All prayer requests are treated in strict confidence.

BAPTISM AND CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

If you are interested in Baptism or Church Membership, please speak to Pastor Tracy or Pastoral Deacon Patricia Wright.

BOOKINGS

Call **07874 954112** to book the Church Hall or Meeting Room for any events – Weddings, Funerals, Baby Dedications, Meetings, etc.

If you would like to add any announcements, prayer requests, suggestions to this newsletter, please contact Zoeta Brown or Pastor Tracy.

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