

# Daily Prayer Guide

God is love,  
whoever abides in love abides in  
God and God in them. 1 John 4v16b

- ❖ **Sunday – thanksgiving** from 1John 4 v9-10 in the Message  
*This is how God showed his love for us:  
God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through Him.  
This is the kind of love we're talking about – not that we once upon a time loved God,  
but that He loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to clear away our sins and  
the damage they've done to our relationship with God.*  
This is amazing love. Let us ponder on this love described by John and be thankful.
- ❖ **Monday – praise** from 1 John 4 v16:1 Corinthians 13: Romans 8v28 and 32  
God is love! This is who God is – unconditional, perfect love. Love that:
  - never changes and will never fail and that is always patient and kind,
  - is always working all things together for our good, to make us like Jesus.
  - gave up his only Son for us and graciously gives to us all things.
- ❖ **Tuesday – pray for the nations**  
Cyril Ramaphosa was elected President of South Africa last week. He says he wants to serve the people. He wants to put an end to the far reaching corruption in high places which is destroying South Africa's economy. We know that the battle is not just against flesh and blood but also against spiritual forces of greed and oppression. Let us pray for him and for South Africa.
- ❖ **Wednesday – pray for our nation** from CARE
  - Last week the talks between Sinn Fein and the DUP to restore power sharing in Stormont collapsed. Pray for Northern Ireland and for political leaders across the parties to have wisdom and insight as they look to the future.
  - Last week the British Medical Journal published a series of articles pushing for assisted suicide to be legalised in England and Wales. CARE thinks that the current law protects the vulnerable and acts as a strong deterrent to any who would seek to encourage or assist a suicide. Pray the current law is upheld.
- ❖ **Thursday – pray for our neighbourhood**  
'Holy Spirit please work in many hearts in Bryn and on our front lines so that they can come to know and believe God's love for them. Would you stir our hearts too till we are troubled much that they don't know or believe God's love and we go to tell them.'
- ❖ **Friday – pray for the church at Bryn** from Ephesians 3v18-20: Psalm 1 v3  
'Father we ask that each of us will be firmly established in your love, like trees planted by a stream, realising more and more of the immeasurable dimensions of your love. We ask that we might know absolutely this love you have for us. Then, (O Hallelujah!) we will be filled through all our being with You! Let it be, Father, we pray.'
- ❖ **Saturday – pray for the church at Bryn**  
'Father we ask that each of us comes to know absolutely (to realise the implications and applications of your love for us) and to believe it! Then we will be able daily to put our trust in that love for every circumstance that You allow in our lives.'



## Bryn Independent Methodist Church

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### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Welcome to our Services  
on the first Sunday in Lent

The foolishness of God  
is wiser than men,  
and the weakness of God  
is stronger than men.

1 Corinthians 1 v25

We have  
come  
to know  
and believe  
the love  
God  
has for us.

1 John 3 v16a

**11:00 am Morning Service**

**Speaker: Ron Povey**

**5.30 pm Prayer meeting in the  
school room – all are welcome**

**6.00 pm Evening service**

**Speaker:  
Andrew Gallimore**

## Next Week at BRYN I.M.

Tuesday		Toddlers- half term break
Wednesday		Ladies meeting – recommences on 28 <sup>th</sup> February with lunch at the Owls.
Thursday 22 Feb	10.30 am	House group at Alan and Cath's
Thursday 22 Feb	7.30 pm	CAP Money Course
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	7.30 pm	Music Group Practice
Saturday	8.00am	Men's Prayer Meeting
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	7.45 pm	Supper and Study@301

**Next Sunday 11 00am Morning Service:**  
25<sup>th</sup> February **Speaker: Eunice Bridge**



**5.30pm Prayer Meeting in the school room and all are welcome ☺**

**6.00pm Evening service**  
followed by Communion

**Speaker: Mike Dewhurst**

### **Special Trustee and Connexional Committee Meeting**

On 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> March there will be a special Meeting for Trustees and Connexional Committee Members being held over two days. This is in order to discuss where the IM are and where it is believed God wants the IM to be. In a relaxed atmosphere the meeting will seek God's will for the future and formulate a plan for moving forward.

This is a crucial time for the IM where Strategy and Policies for the future of the denomination in terms of governance, compliance and regulation are required and each of these needs to be discussed in detail. It is hoped that with discussion there will be more understanding and that relationships will once more develop and flourish.

To these ends we ask all churches to begin to hold up this 2-day meeting in prayer.

## Additional Notices and Information

### ❖ **An invitation from St Peter's to their Lent Course**

We, along with the other Bryn churches, are invited, by St Peter's to their Lent Course, which will help us to prepare for Easter. ☺  
7.30 on Tuesday evenings beginning on 20<sup>th</sup> February at BCCC

### ❖ **Christians Against Poverty Money Management Course**

Our CAP Money Course begins this coming Thursday at 7.30pm – it's not too late to add your name to the list in the Narthex.  
The first week includes an introduction to the course and a look at how to build a budget.

### ❖ **Church Address and Telephone list in the Narthex**

Please collect a copy of the revised list from the Narthex. Thank you.

### ❖ **The Real Easter Egg**

It's that time of year again to think about Easter eggs.  
The Real Easter Egg is a Fairtrade chocolate egg and includes:

- a 24 page Easter story / activity book
- a bag of Fairtrade Swiss Chunky Buttons

They cost £3.99 each and if you want to order any please fill in the order sheet in the Narthex as soon as possible. Thanks ☺

### ❖ **Ladies Day at Hope Church on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

There are to be two meetings at 2.30pm and at 6.30pm – tea will be provided between the meetings.

Julia Jones is the speaker and her theme is The Beauty of Jesus in Me.  
Hope Church is in Ashton at 24, Heath Road – WN4 9DY  
There is more information for you in the Narthex.

### **Prayer news from Jen Cochrane – part 1**

Jen writes, "I had a restful break and am just getting into the swing of things and starting to build momentum with the students. I am spread quite thinly due to staff shortages, but I don't feel overwhelmed by this. It's more an issue of having more students and not feeling able to support them as I'd like to.

Please pray for:

- **Steven and Deante** who have to pass all their classes this semester in order to not be transferred next year. They have started off strong, pray this continues.
- **Jackie** who has a severe eating disorder so has to have her lunch and snacks supervised. The problem is that this supervision has fallen on us, on top of our regular work. When so much has to go into one student others get neglected. Pray that the school will either provide extra staff or move her to a school where she will get the support she needs.

*Thank you for praying. Love from Jen*