

# 2025 CBC NEWSLETTER



Dear Brothers and Sisters of Cove Baptist Church,

As we move into this New Year of 2025, I want to share with you what the Lord has been speaking to me about over the last number of weeks and that is about the vital importance of PRAYER. The final series of the Thursday evening Bible Studies in 2024 were based the prayers of Old Testament characters and this was an encouragement to those who took part. We start 2025 with our Covenant Service on 5<sup>th</sup> January, one of the verses in 1 Thessalonians 5 says 'pray continually' and we shall be looking at that and other verses of Chapter 5 on Sunday morning. The subsequent Sunday morning series will be on the life of Nehemiah, a man for whom prayer was important and necessary. In addition, the first few Thursday evening Bible Studies will be looking at the prayer of Jabez, 1 Chronicles 4:9-10, so a number of passages about the need to pray.

Finally, if you have not already heard a 'Day of Prayer,' God willing, will take place on Saturday 25th January, 10.00am to 4.00pm, together at the church, and then to encourage people to pray in their own homes or with others, for 2-hour periods from 4.00pm Saturday through the night till 8.00am Sunday morning 26th. This will take commitment and sacrifice and my hope is that as many as possible will take part, more details to follow.

I believe God is going to do great things in our midst in 2025, however we have to devote ourselves to prayer, as individuals and as a fellowship together and dedicate ourselves to join the 'Sunday Morning Services,' the 'Tuesday Evening Prayer Meetings' and the 'Thursday Evening Bible Studies.' I pray that you will join in this prayer adventure which I believe God has laid on my heart, not just for January but throughout 2025. William Carey, the first Baptist missionary, said 'Attempt great things for God and expect great things from God,' that should be our cry for 2025. I pray that each one of you will know God's rich blessing, presence and guidance in 2025. [Alastair Sneddon, Elder]

#### **Ladies Prayer Chain**

Any requests, general or confidential to phone Christine on 01252 659249 or 07957 568545

#### **Speakers & Leaders for Sunday mornings in January**

5<sup>th</sup> - Alastair speaking (Covenant Service), Patricia leading 12<sup>th</sup> - Alastair speaking, Ali leading (Communion) 19<sup>th</sup> - Pete speaking, Loise leading

26<sup>th</sup> - Rev Josh Waldock (Farnborough Baptist Church) speaking, Tim leading

#### **Day of Prayer**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January, 10am to 4pm





#### **Birthdays**

Enzo Yubin (2<sup>nd</sup>), David-John (11<sup>th</sup>)

## Morning Service Every Sunday



@ 10.30am

### Service at Lavender Lodge



Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Jan @ 3pm

#### **Prayer Meeting**

Please join us every Tuesday
Starting again on 7<sup>th</sup> Jan

@ 8pm on Zoom



Home Group
Every Thursday
Starting again on 9<sup>th</sup> Jan
@ 8pm in Church & Zoom

Junior Church
Every Sunday
Starting again on 12th Jan