

Feltham Evangelical Church *Newsletter: March 2025*

A Bible-based church making known the Christian Faith

Calendar

w/c 23rd February

Sun 23rd 9.30.am. - Lord's Supper. (Jon Thorp)
Sun 23rd 10.20.am. - Grace Kids (Rachel and Laura)
Sun 23rd 10.20.am. - Grace Youth (Philip and Olu)
Sun 23rd 11.00.am. - Morning Worship; (Philip Venables)
Sun 23rd 5.00.pm. - Equip; Forgiveness
Tues 25th 9.30.am. - Prayer Meeting. (on zoom)
Wed 26th 7.30.pm. - Prayer / Bible Study (Acts 9:26-43)
Thurs 27th 6.30 am. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)
Fri 28th 9.15.am. - Prayer Meeting
Fri 28th 10.00.am to midday - The Way Cafe
Sat 1st (March) 10.30.am. - Evangelism
Sat 1st 9:00.pm. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)

w/c 2nd March

Sun 2nd 9.30.am. - Lord's Supper (Philip Venables)
Sun 2nd 10.20.am. - Grace Kids (Andrew and Uju)
Sun 2nd 10.20.am. - Grace Youth (Mark and Natalia)
Sun 2nd 11.00.am. - Morning Worship (Philip Venables)
Sun 2nd 1.30.pm. - Church Members Lunch
Sun 2nd 5.15.pm. - Together
Tues 4th 9.30.am. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)
Wed 5th 7.30.pm. - Prayer / Bible Study (Acts 13:44-14:7)
Thurs 6th 6.30.am. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)
Fri 7th 9.15.am. - Prayer Meeting
Fri 7th 10.00.am to midday - The Way Cafe
Sat 8th 10.30.am. - Evangelism
Sat 8th 9.00.pm. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)

w/c 9th March

Sun 9th 9.30.am. - Lord's Supper. (Philip Venables)
Sun 9th 11.00.am. - Morning Worship. (Paul Biddle)
Sun 9th 1.00.pm. - Fellowship Lunch
Tues 11th 9.30.am. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)
Wed 12th 7.30.pm. - Prayer / Bible Study (Andrew Heron)
Thurs 13th 6.30.am. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)
Fri 14th 9.15.am. - Prayer Meeting
Fri 14th 10.00.am to midday - The Way Cafe
Sat 15th 10.30.am. - Evangelism (THE BIG ONE)
Sat 15th 9.00.pm. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)

w/c 16th March

Sun 16th 9.30.am. - Time to Study (Judges)
Sun 16th 10.20.am. - Grace Kids (Rachel and Natalia)
Sun 16th 10.20.am. - Grace Youth (Mark and May Lin)
Sun 16th 11.00.am. - Morning Worship. (Philip Venables)
Sun 16th 5.15.pm. - Lord's Supper (Philip Venables)
Tues 18th 9.30.am. - Prayer Meeting.
Wed 19th 7.30.pm. - Gospel Parner Prayer / Bible Study / Report (Istvan Salanki)
Thurs 20th 6.30.am. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)
Fri 21st 9.15.am. - Prayer Meeting
Fri 21st 10.00.am to midday - The Way Cafe
Sat 22nd 8.00.am. - Men's Breakfast
Sat 22nd 10.30.am. - Evangelism
Sat 22nd 9.00.pm. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)

w/c 23rd March

Sun 23rd 9.30.am. - Lord's Supper. (Philip Venables)
Sun 23rd 10.20.am. - Grace Kids (Andrew and Laura)
Sun 23rd 10.20.am. - Grace Youth (Philip and Olu)
Sun 23rd 11.00.am. - Morning Worship; (Philip Venables)
Sun 23rd 5.00.pm. - Equip; Divorce and Remarriage
Tues 25th 9.30.am. - Prayer Meeting. (on zoom)
Wed 26th 7.30.pm. - Prayer / Bible Study (Acts 26:24-27:12)
Thurs 27th 6.30 am. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)
Fri 28th 9.15.am. - Prayer Meeting
Fri 28th 10.00.am to midday - The Way Cafe
Sat 29th 10.30.am. - Evangelism
Sat 29th 9:00.pm. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)

w/c 30th March

Sun 30th 9.30.am. - Lord's Supper (Andrew Heron)
Sun 30th 10.20.am. - Grace Kids (Rachel and Uju)
Sun 30th 11.00.am. - Morning Worship. (Philip Venables)
Tues 1st (April) 9.30.am. - Prayer Meeting.
Wed 2nd 7.30.pm. - Prayer / Bible Study (Mark 2:23-3:19)
Thurs 3rd 6.30.am. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)
Fri 4th 9.15.am. - Prayer Meeting
Fri 4th 10.00.am to midday - The Way Cafe
Sat 5th 10.30.am. - Evangelism
Sat 5th 9.00.pm. - Prayer Meeting (on zoom)

News

Andrew Heron is due to be preaching at the Muswell Hill Baptist Church on the morning of March 9th.

Notes

Equip On February 23rd we plan to look at forgiveness. How and when should we forgive other people? Then on March 23rd "Divorce and Remarriage" is our focus.

Time to Study On March 16th we continue our series giving overviews of each book of the Bible. This month we reach Judges.

Clocks Change on March 30th; meaning they move forward one hour.

Membership Sunday On March 2nd we celebrate our being together as members of Feltham Evangelical Church. There is a lunch provided for all church members on that day.

A Gospel Social is due to take place on March 22nd between 6.00.pm and 9.00.pm at our church premises. Paul Levy from International Presbyterian Church in Ealing is due to be speaking. It is open to all in their 20's, 30's and 40's.

Evangelism takes place on a regular basis at 10.30.am on each Saturday. However, as a special effort we have bi-monthly, what we call "The BIG ONE". The next one is due to be on March 15th, meeting for prayer at 10.30.am. at the church building.

A Men's Breakfast is due to take place on March 22nd.

Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88986370463?pwd=MjdwdHZwZTB6L29VW1VFUUVBVWkRBZz09> is the link for the zoom prayer meetings.

Fellowship Lunch On Sunday 9th March we intend to have a bring-and-share fellowship lunch together.

Spiritual Notes The Blood!

".... the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin" (1 John 1:7b). As Christians we are convinced that the blood of our Lord and Saviour is essential so as for us to come truly experience God's goodness. Before we were Christians we were separated from God and all His goodness which is most profoundly known in Him saving people unto everlasting life. In fact we lived in everlasting death with the prospect of an eternal hell ahead of us upon our passing out of this life. However, when we placed faith in our Lord Jesus everything changed.

But how did this change come about? On our journey to faith we became aware of how our sin was keeping us from God. We realised our sin needed taking out of the way so that we could come to God. We saw that a holy God could never be on friendly terms with sinners living in sin. We needed help. In the gospel we were told of One who through His death, and therefore the shedding of His blood gave the basis for the cleansing of our beings and forgiveness (taking out of the way) of our sins. The fact that He is risen from the dead showed that He had done everything to bring this salvation. So we believed in Him and came into the joy and privilege of eternal life through having our sins forgiven.

When the blood of Jesus Christ is mentioned in the Bible it refers to Him taking the death on the cross that brings about this salvation. The value of what He did on the cross is taught to us through the sacrificial system in the Old Testament. Most profoundly it was displayed on the Day of Atonement which is detailed in Leviticus 16. So we read concerning the High Priest that annually on that day: **"....he shall kill the goat of the sin offering that is for the people and bring its blood inside the veil and do with its blood as he did with the blood of the bull, sprinkling it over the mercy seat and in front of the mercy seat. Thus he shall make atonement for the Holy Place, because of the uncleannesses of the people of Israel and because of their transgressions, all their sins. And so he shall do for the tent of meeting, which dwells with them in the midst of their uncleannesses"** (Lev 16:15-16). The blood of the offering on that day was for the removal of uncleanness, transgression and sin.

We need to be clear that the blood always signifies the sacrificial death that was necessary to deal with sin and bring acceptance for the sinner. It has that precise and special meaning. This means that we should NOT be "pleading the blood" for protection from demons or deliverance from illnesses or to help our children do better in life. Such "pleading of the blood" has no warrant in scripture.

Moreover, when we seek to pray in such a way we are confusing the issues that really matter in life. In order to have life sin must be removed and that is achieved through the shedding of His blood. Eternally, the people of God will be praising God for the benefits of the blood of the lamb. So we read in Revelation 5:9b of the saints in heaven singing **"for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation."**

Moreover, we need to be aware that our condition in our sins is so disastrous. It sets us on a course to eternal hell. But now we have been rescued into a new life. This is pictured through the shedding of the blood of the Passover lamb in Exodus 12. Through that blood the people were rescued from Egypt so as to be delivered into the promised land. Let us celebrate the blood of our Lord Jesus that delivers us into a better life through forgiveness of sins.

And let us be finished with the nonsense of pleading the blood for protection, victory and help in life. We are a delivered people. The power of Satan which worked through his keeping us captive in sin has been broken through the blood of the Lamb (see Rev. 12:11). We are free; we are the people of God. **".... the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin"** (1 John 1:7b).

So finally let us be thankful for how **if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous** (1 John 2:1b). When Satan accuses the Father on account of any sin we commit as a Christian then our Lord Jesus steps forward and pleads the value of His blood. We stand as an uncondemnable people because of the everlasting salvation secured by the blood of our Lord Jesus. Praise Him!