

*Next Week, ..*

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January 10:30am**

**Family Worship**

**Bringing God's Word: David Howling**

*Join us for pre-service prayer, 9:45 ~ 19:15 am every Sunday in the Rother Hall*

*This Week, ..*

**Homegroups:** Monday 20<sup>th</sup> evening: Thakeham group  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> morning: West Chiltington group  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> evening: Pulborough group  
If in doubt, check with your homegroup leader.



**Jelly Beans:** Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January @ 10:00am, "Mountains, hills, plants & trees"

**Central Prayer Meeting:** Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January @7:30 pm, with the other Pulborough Churches in the Brooks Room at the Village Hall.

**Friendship Group:** Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January @ 2:30 pm, Pulborough Garden Centre

If you would like to support the ministry of PBBC, there is an offertory box available on the table in the hall. If you are a tax payer we can claim 'Gift Aid' on your contribution. This is very easy to do, simply use one of the envelopes provided or speak to Barbara for more information.

**Shopping online:** Don't forget that you can support PBBC by doing your online shopping through :- [www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/pulborough-brooks-baptist-church/](http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/causes/pulborough-brooks-baptist-church/)

## *Church Information*

If you would like to know more about our church, find out what it means to be a 'member' or arrange a visit from our Pastor, please complete a form and place it in the offertory box or contact the Church Office.

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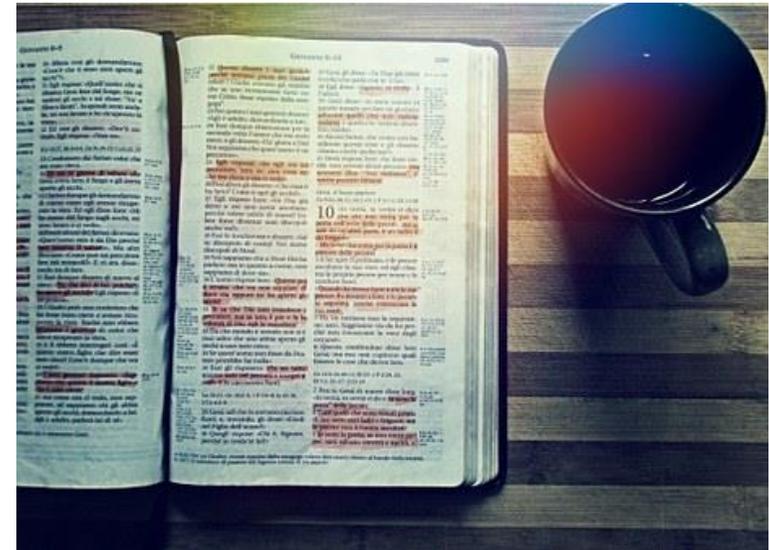


19<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Week 3

# Pulborough Brooks BAPTIST CHURCH

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"Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth!" **2 Tim 2 : 15**

## *Mission Statement*

*Pulborough Brooks Baptist Church, united in faith and empowered by the Holy Spirit, our mission is:*

*To grow in the knowledge and love of Jesus,*

*To love, care for and encourage each other*

*To help others get to know Jesus through words and actions.*



As far as Paul was concerned there was absolutely nothing that compared to the greatness of knowing Jesus. When Paul looked back at his life and thought about all of the things that he had done before he met Jesus, he summed them all up in one word 'Rubbish!' (Philippians 3:5-8)

Paul was a man who had everything. He came from the right family background, he had the best education money could buy, he had a job that he was good at and he did it better than anyone else. He was top of his class, top of his profession, top of his tree; what he wanted he got, what he aimed for he achieved and yet he considered all of that to be worthless compared to the infinite value of knowing Jesus Christ as his Lord.

Paul understood the power of persuasive and eloquent words, but he didn't use them. As a student of Gamaliel he was well acquainted with the philosophy and wisdom of educated men but he didn't need it. Plain speaking and a simple message sufficed. He needed only one thing; Jesus! (1 Corinthians 2:2)

On another occasion, Paul was reflecting on the troubles life brings. He thought about all of the problems that as human beings we share. He thought about all the difficulties that we go through. He thought about all the burdens that we bear. He had experienced his full measure of trials, tribulations and ill health but he knew the power of Jesus at work in him and that God's grace was sufficient to meet all his needs.

No ordinary human being, no matter how great they are, can meet every need in our life. But there is one who can meet our every need. His name is Jesus. He is the all-sufficient Saviour. Corrie ten Boom once wrote; *'You may never know that Jesus is all you need, until Jesus is all you have,'* and if Jesus is all we have, what else do we need?

*David*



## *Devoted to Scripture*

“But you are our Father, though Abraham does not know us or Israel acknowledge us; you, O Lord, are our Father, our Redeemer from of old is your name” **Isa 63 : 16, NIV**

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## *Devoted to Prayer*

Heavenly Father, we thank you as we look back to the times throughout the ages when your servants lifted a voice to witness that you are our Father, that you lead the peoples to their true goal. We thank you for allowing us to be part of this witness. We thank you that so much love and goodness shine as a light to the nations. Watch over us. May your Spirit grow stronger and stronger within us. Bring the redemption proclaimed by your servants and let your light dawn over all lands to the honour of your name. Amen.

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## *Devoted to Each Other*

**Pastoral Team:** If anyone has or feels a need for help from the Pastoral Team, please feel free to contact Louise Twilley or via the Church Office at any time.



There is also a box for prayer requests in the foyer of the village hall. Prayer cards for requests are available with the box.

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## *Christian Unity Week*

To celebrate the week of Christian Unity, we have invited the other Pulborough Churches to join us in our monthly prayer meeting on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January @7:30 pm, for in the Brooks Room at the Village Hall.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will take place from 18 - 25 January 2020. This is an annual initiative whereby Christian communities throughout the world are invited to pray for one another and for greater Christian Unity.