

*Next Week...*Sunday 16th February 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...***Jelly Beans:** Monday 10th February @ 10:00am, "Swimmers & Fliers"**Homegroups:** Monday 10th evening: Thakeham group
Tuesday 11th morning: West Chiltington group
Tuesday 11th evening: Pulborough group
If in doubt, check with your homegroup leader.**Friendship Group:** Thursday 13th February @ 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/

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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"He spreads the snow like wool and scatters the frost like ashes!." Ps 147 : 16 (NIV)

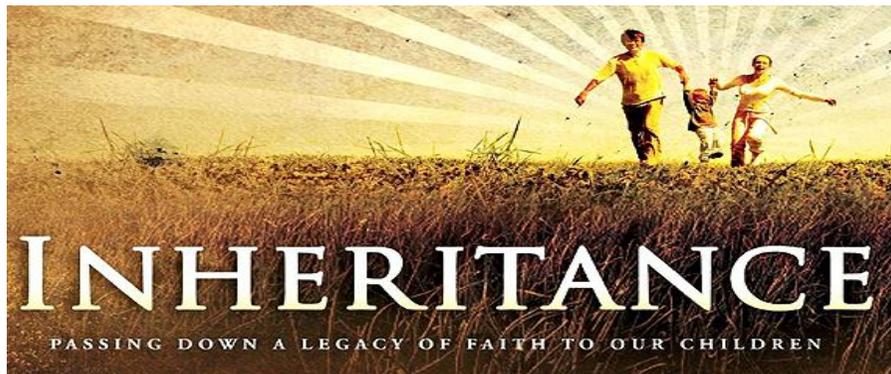
Mission Statement

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.



God's purpose for our lives is that we should be like Christ. It's a work of the Holy Spirit within us and we can be confident that one day we will get there (Jude 1:24-25) but that doesn't mean that we can sit back on our laurels and just wait for it to happen. God wants his people to shine the light of Christ into the world right now. We have a part to play in God's mission to the world. We can't be effective in that if we are not Christ-like. If what we do today is going to echo into the future then that makes what we do today really important. That's one of the reasons why it's essential that we follow Paul's example and become imitators of Christ (1 Corinthians 11:1).

There is one area in our lives, where the way we live our lives has consequences that last well beyond the span of our lives. That is the Spiritual inheritance that we leave our grandchildren. As Proverbs 13:22 says; "Good people leave an inheritance to their grandchildren." God has appointed each of us to bring the good news of the gospel to a hurting and broken world and what better place to start than in our own homes and families and to our own children and grandchildren?

A 'good' person in this context is someone that God can use, it's someone whose life is fruitful because they are obedient to the will of God. It's similar to what Jesus meant when in Matthew 7:17 he said; 'A good tree produces good fruit.' In other words, a 'good' person is a 'Christlike' person!

Now you can only point your children and grandchildren to Christ, you can't make the commitment for them (that's the work of the Holy Spirit). But I firmly believe that God is pleased to use parents and grandparents to pass on the blessings of His Kingdom when we point our young people towards Him. We do this by showing them by our Christlike example, sharing with them the wisdom of God and providing space for them to experience God for themselves.

David



Devoted to Scripture

"I will be glad and rejoice in your love, for you saw my affliction and knew the anguish of my soul.." Ps 31 : 7 (NIV)

Devoted to Prayer

Father God, we come into your presence with thanksgiving and rejoice that you are with us on earth. Even though we have many struggles and temptations and even though problems crowd in upon us, we know that we are in your hands and that everything must go according to your will. Hold us securely in your hand. Help us to bear all that we find hard, for we know you are in control and you lead everything. The darker and more difficult it may seem, the more clearly your hand will reveal the victory in those whose lives are founded in eternity, whose lives cannot end in sorrow but will end in your glory. Amen.

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.



Church Members Meeting

The first **Church Members Meeting** of 2020 will be held on 12th February in the Brooks Room at 7:30pm. If time permits, there may be an opportunity to raise additional matters at the end of the meeting.

Jelly Beans Update

Love in action – the result. Once again our Jelly Bean mums have been recycling their children's clothing, firstly amongst themselves and then by donating the remainder, in this case 5 sacks full, to Family Support Work. FSW supports local families who are experiencing a crisis. To find out more about their work go to www.familysupportwork.org.uk.