

Dates for your diary:

Jelly Beans Toddler Group:	Next meeting: Monday, 2 nd July, 'Working together'.
Friendship Group Meeting:	Wyevale Garden Centre, Thursday, 5 th July, 2:30pm.
Village Market Bread Stall:	Next market: Saturday, 28 th July.

Pastoral Team: If anyone feels a need for help from the Pastoral Team, please feel free to contact John Watson, Barbara Morgan, Jill Jones, Maureen Watson or Karen Banner or via the Church Office at any time.

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/



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.



If you would like to know more about our church and what it means to be a member, why not pick up one of our 'Get Connected' leaflets; that should tell you all you need to know about becoming a member of PBBC.

Church Information



If you would like to know more about our church or arrange a visit from our Pastor, please complete a form and place it in the offertory box or contact the church office.

Please note that David is not available until September 9th. Please contact the church office, the Pastoral Team or Andy Twilley for pastoral matters.

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Week 26

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Welcome!

Thank you God for this day. From dawn to dusk I will rest in your promises of love, direction, protection, grace and truth.

Good habits for godly people: Part 2 “Rest”

Of course, you are all aware that God rested on the 7th day. But why exactly? None of us would think it likely that God was tired and worn out from the work of creation. Or that he wanted to take some “time off” to watch the World Cup. So why did God introduce “rest” into his week? To add to the questions, the rest day became the first official Holy Day/ Holiday. No longer just God resting, but a holiday, to be repeated weekly in which the people of God “rested”. And what did they do with that day?

As a gardener, I have come to realise that some plants respond very well to resting and pruning. Vines for example; they have their winter season in which they rest from producing fruit. And then they need a very hard chopping down at the beginning of the season, so much so that I often think, “Now you’ve overdone it. You’ve killed it!” But it is the resting and cutting away, properly done, that leads to bigger and better fruitfulness. This set me thinking in connection with the theme of “rest”. How would it be if we were actually designed to operate on similar lines. We need the cutting back from our many activities and pursuits in order to eventually be more fruitful. Something like: “It is the not-doing that leads to better-doing!” - I am sure someone can come up with a better slogan than that ☺ !

But this is what I would like to explore more fully with you on Sunday. “Rest” – how and why. Intriguingly the command was not “Remember the Sabbath Day and make it boring!”

Can you complete the sentence correctly? Remember the Sabbath Day and make it... what?

Frank

Devoted to Meeting Together



This week's Home Groups

See your homegroup leaders for details.

Next Sunday, 8th July 10:30am

Family Worship Service with Communion
Bringing God's Word: Simon Howling

Join us for pre-service prayer 9.45 - 10.15am every Sunday, in the Rother Hall.

Soon:

There will be a Bowls Evening at Pulborough Bowls Club on Tuesday July 10th at 6:30pm for a 7pm start. Cost is £7.50 per head including green fees and buffet 5food afterwards. Names to Peter M by Thursday 5th.

The ‘Petworth Voices’ will be in concert at St Mary’s Church 7pm for 7:30pm on Tuesday, July 17th. Tickets @ £10 (incl. refreshments) are available from Comyn & James (estate agents) or Alyson Heath.

Advance Notice:

‘Rock – the musical’ A production by Roger Jones about the life of Simon Peter on Sunday October 21st. We need volunteers for the choir (rehearsals start in September) and overnight accommodation for others taking part. See Peter M for more detail.

Devoted to Prayer

“Gracious Father, as we begin a new week, help us to engage your will with a bold faith. Teach us to trust in you, and help us grow in righteousness. Heavenly Lord, give us the courage to step out in faith this day. Fill our hearts with your spirit, and let us speak your words with joy. Amen.



“For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it.

Matthew 16:25