

Jelly Beans: Currently on Summer break, but will be back on Monday 9th September with a new & exciting programme entitled 'Tell Me a Story'.

Homegroups: Check with your homegroup leader for this week's meetings.

Friendship Group: Summer break, we currently plan to restart on 12th September.

There is NO Pulborough Village Market in August so the next **Bread Stall** will be on Saturday 28th September.

Pulborough Brooks BAPTIST CHURCH



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Pastoral Team: If anyone has or feels a need for help from the Pastoral Team, please feel free to contact John Watson 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.

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.

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.

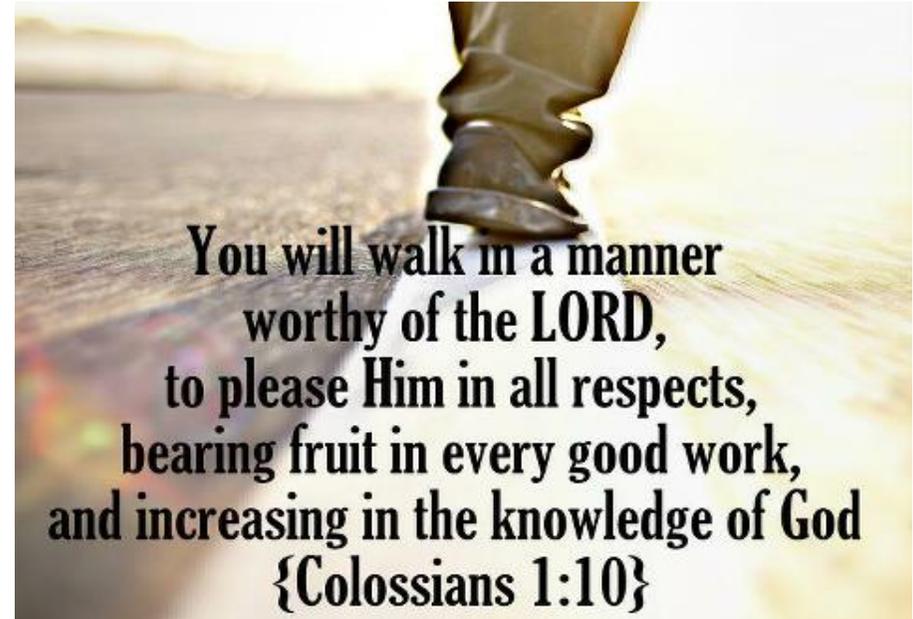
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Welcome!



We have been considering holiness as a journey that each of us must take between 'justification and glorification'. From the moment that we come to faith in Christ until the day when He presents us spotless before the throne of our Father in heaven, the Holy Spirit is disentangling us from our sinful nature so that we might be the people that God has called us to be - 'Holy, as He is Holy!'

God is using every tool that He has at His disposal to make us holy. He has given us the example of Jesus to follow. He has given us the Holy Spirit which is at work within us. He has equipped us with His Word so that we might be guided correctly by our consciences. He has adopted us into a new family so that we can encourage each other and build each other up.

These are pathways to holiness that are a delight to travel. But there are also pathways that we would never choose by our own volition. These are the twin pathways of suffering and disciple. No right minded person would ever choose to take the road marked with suffering, yet sooner or later it's the one we all find ourselves walking down. How we respond determines how much we grow in holiness through life's difficulties.

God produces perseverance and character in our lives through trials. Endurance cannot be attained by reading a book, listening to a sermon or even praying a prayer. We must go through the difficulties of life, trusting in God, obeying His Word, knowing that His refining fire will bring us out at the other end 'holier' than when we first began.

David



Next Sunday, 1st September 2019

10:30am –Family Worship

Bringing God's Word: David Howling

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

This is **Week 34** of the **Pulborough Village Prayer Rota:**

See <http://pbbaptist.co.uk/index.php?menu=downloads>

Looking Ahead

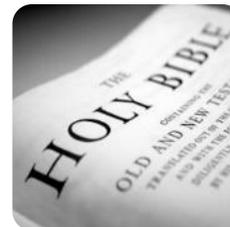
This **Wednesday (28th August)** gives us another opportunity to join together as we bring our prayers of thanks and requests to our gracious God for about an hour from 7:30pm in the Brooks Room at the village hall. Do join us for this special time together.

Looking Further Ahead

Members are invited to submit (to PM) topics to be added to the agenda for the **Church Members Meeting on 11th September** at 7:30pm in the Brooks Room at the village hall.

Devoted to Prayer

Father God, as the deer pants for refreshing water, so our souls long for you, for the living God. We stand in your presence and pour out our hearts to you. We bring before you everything that is painful to us, all our suffering and needs. We also bring you all our hopes and you have given us many proofs and assurances that our lives need not go to ruin but can be directed to greater things. May the light of your Spirit shine on us today and always. Amen.



“As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God? Why, my soul, are you downcast? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Saviour and my God.

Psalm 42: 1–2, 5, (NIV)