

*Dates for your diary:*

- Jelly Beans Toddler Group: 10:00am 15<sup>th</sup> October "Flour from the Fields"  
 Friendship Group Meeting: 2:30pm 18<sup>th</sup> October at Wyevale Garden Centre.  
 Village Market Bread Stall: Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> October.

**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 :-  
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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.

For pastoral matters, please contact the Pastoral Team or our Pastor via the Church Office.

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# Welcome!



Humanity is naturally blind (1 Corinthians 2:14), sinfully blind (John 3:19-20) and satanically blind (2 Corinthians 4:4). It's a profound blindness that has plunged humanity into darkness. But praise God that in Christ Jesus the light has come into darkness and the darkness has not overcome it. The good news is that whilst we all come into the world blind, we don't all leave the world blind. When we put our faith in Jesus – the light of the world, God removes the veil from our eyes so that we can see the glory of God. We move from the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of light. We no longer walk in darkness but we walk in the light and we find that the light is a comfortable place to be.

In Mark 8 the disciples had come a long way. To their credit they had recognised the light and decided to follow it. They had committed themselves to following Jesus and as they did so their eyes were opened and the light got brighter, but they still couldn't see everything clearly. It's at this point that Mark includes a miracle in which a man's sight is restored that I think serves as an illustration of spiritual sight.

There are a lot of people in our community that have become adjusted to living in the darkness. We all have friends, neighbours and relatives whose perspective of life is distorted because they cannot see. The only way that they are going to come into the light is if they are brought to Jesus. Just as the man received his sight in stages, so the disciples spiritual sight came in stages and don't we find the same thing happening in our lives. After all spiritual insight is a gift of God, not of human ability. The more time we spend with Jesus the clearer things become.

*David*

## *Devoted to Meeting Together*



### *This weeks Home Groups*

See your homegroup leaders for details.

### *Next Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> October 10:30am*

Family Worship Service  
Bringing God's Word: Roger Jones  
4pm , Rock, The story of Peter

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

### *Looking Ahead*

On Friday 19th October Keith Varney from Mission Aviation Fellowship (M.A.F). will speak at PACT at St. Mary's, Petworth at 7.30pm.  
All welcome - Free Entry - Canapes & Drinks served.

Tickets for the Roger Jones musical 'Rock', based on the life of Peter, on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October, are now available from David, £5 for adults, U16s are free *but still require tickets*.

## *Devoted to Prayer*

October has seen an explosion in the number of families attending Jelly Beans, and we, The Jelly Beans Team, acknowledge a need to ask you to pray. Would you please pray for Jelly Beans on Monday mornings between 9am and 12 noon. Quite simply please will you pray for:

- The Jelly Beans Team (Karen H, Kay and I) that we would sense God's leading as we move forward.
- The Friends of Jelly Beans (without their support the team would struggle)
- The families attending each week

Thank you and God bless,  
Betty



"But whenever someone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord."

**2 Corinthians 3:16-18**