

**Dates for your diary:****Jelly Beans Toddler Group:** November 20<sup>th</sup> – “Silver & Gold”**Friendship Group:** Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 2:30pm at Wyevale Garden Centre, Pulborough.**Village Market Bread Stall:** Saturday, November 25<sup>th</sup>**Christmas Market:** Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>

# Pulborough Brooks

## BAPTIST CHURCH


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**Visit from the Pastoral Team:** If anyone would like to receive a visit 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/](http://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 at the entrance to 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 don't you 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 (available from the tea bar) and place it in the offertory box.

**Our Pastor,** Rev'd Dr. David Howling, can be contacted via the church office.

(Please note that David is not available on Mondays)

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“For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful. I know that full well.”

Psalm 139 : 13 ~ 14

# Welcome!

As a Baptist church, we believe that the decision to be a disciple of Jesus is one that can only properly be made at a later stage of spiritual development. So we welcome children into the church, not by infant baptism, but by means of a special dedication service. The presentation of children is a practice rooted in biblical example.



It celebrates the gift of children and enables parents to express gratitude to God for the gift of a new baby. It also provides an opportunity to seek God's blessing on the family and a chance for the parents to publically affirm their commitment to bringing their children up in the full knowledge of God's love made known in Christ Jesus.

When we look at our children, we can only imagine what they will become when they grow up. Both the exciting and the scary thing about parenthood, is that as parents, we have a part to play in what they become. Godly parents are the gateway to God for their children. That is why we believe that the most important thing that we can teach our children is to love God with all their heart, soul and strength (Deuteronomy 6:5).

When we teach our children to love God we teach them to value relationships more than 'stuff' and the most important relationship that they can have is with Jesus. When we teach our children to love God we are also teaching them to love others before themselves, just as Jesus came to serve and not to be served. This is why we recognise that for children to be part of our church family is a privilege both ways. The church has the blessing of young lives growing in wisdom and stature. Children have the benefit of being surrounded by a worshipping community, hearing of Christ and being in an atmosphere of faith. This is indeed a blessing.

*David*

## *Devoted to Meeting Together*



### **This weeks Home Groups**

See your homegroup leaders for details.

### **Wednesday, 22nd November**

Church Prayer Meeting at 7:30pm in the Brooks Room, Village Hall

### **Sunday, 26th November**

Family Worship Service.  
Bringing God's Word: Andy Twilley

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

## *Christmas hampers*

**The Pastoral team** would like to prepare a few Christmas hampers for families who need help. If anyone would like to contribute to this project, a box will be available near the offering box. Thank you.

## *Advance Notice*

On 2nd December 2017, 7.30pm, at Findon Valley Free Church, there will be a **Jonathan Veira Concert**. "Songs & Tales", an unforgettable evening with an international singer and raconteur.

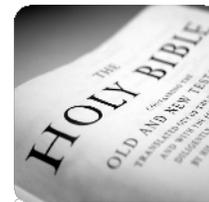
Tickets available from FVFC £10 until **November 18th**, (£12.50 if later)

[administrator@fvfc.org.uk](mailto:administrator@fvfc.org.uk) or phone 01903 873790

See also: <http://www.jonathanveira.com/events.aspx>

## *Devoted to Prayer*

Lord, I release my children to Your care and protection and I relinquish my will for them in favour of Your will. I know I can't go wherever my child goes but I know that You do. Please protect them. Give us wisdom as parents and give us peace in Your goodness towards our children and in Your love for us. In Jesus' Name, Amen.



"But Jesus called the children to Him and said " Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them! For the kingdom of God belongs to such as these" Truly I tell you, if anyone does not receive the kingdom of God like a little child, he will never enter it..."

**Luke 18 : 16~17**