



Welcome to all the CBC Fellowship.

Here is the CBC Newsletter/diary for January 2025. If you have any comments or contributions, feel free to contact me,

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We trust you have enjoyed a blessed and peaceful Christmas. Thanks to all who contributed in any way to the festivities and celebration of our Lord's birth.

What does the beginning of 2025 mean to you? - resolutions, diary filling, diets? Listening to the daily service this morning (New Year's Day) the following worship song from Rend Collective was played which I suggest might be a good sentiment for us as individuals and as a fellowship, to begin the new year (sung to the tune of Auld Lang Syne)

Your grace will never be forgot
Your mercy all my life
Will be my soul's forever song
My story and my light

From mountain top to valley low
Through laughter and through tears
Surely the goodness of my God
Will follow all the years

Chorus: For all that You have done for us
For every battle won
We'll raise a song to bless Your heart
For all that You have done

In all our failures and regrets
You've always led us home
Redemption's arm has raised us up
Our triumph in the storm

In unity we'll stand as one
As family we'll go
Shoulder to shoulder, hand in hand
Into the great unknown.

As we move forward into 2025, may we grow in love and faith and in fellowship with one another. From Proverbs 6 – ***“Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.”***

The Baptism of Amy Rose in December was a joyous occasion with her family and friends joining us to celebrate. We pray for Amy Rose as she continues her walk with God. Wayne would always be pleased to hear from those wanting to know more about being Baptised.

Thanks to all those who took part in the Partnership Stall at the Town Christmas Lights celebrations. Many people, both adults and children, dressed up to be part of the Nativity scene and lots of books were given out to children.

The Nativity service was a memorable occasion – organised chaos perhaps. It was lovely to see so many families joining us and taking part. We pray that there will be lasting memories and that the truth of the nativity story will become real to them. Also, we were blessed at the Carol Service with well over 100 people attending, another reason to praise our mighty God.

Our first service of the New Year will take the form of Café Church when we will be considering what has happened in 2024 and looking towards the year ahead. Please do come along as we **all** have a part to play in God's plan for the future. The first **Big Family Church** of 2025 will be on February 2nd.

You will know that we have received the substantial Grant from the Benefact Charity of £97,000 for the Building Plans. This is a true blessing from God. We are thankful to all those who have sacrificially pledged towards the project so far. More will be said at the Church Meeting on January 26th. Please continue to pray for God's guidance in the way ahead.

Regular activities

- Living Room** - Mondays 10.30am – 2.00pm.
- Coffee Morning** - Wednesday 10.30am – 12noon.
- Toddler Group** - Thursdays 9.30am – 11.30am (Term Time only)
- Fitness Group** - Fridays
- Evening Prayer** - 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at 6.00pm
- Big Family Church** - 1st Sunday of the month (Not in January)

Future dates for your information and prayer

- January 5th - Café Style Church, looking back and forwards to 2025
- January 8th - Deacons Meeting
- January 9th - Partnership of Churches meeting – AGM
- January 12th - Messy Church – 3.00 pm at Methodist Church
- January 26th - Church Meeting following Morning Worship

Continue to pray, as we move forward under the banner of Christ.

'To you alone, O Lord, to you alone and not to us, must glory be given because of your constant love and faithfulness.' Psalm 115:1