

Barnt Green

Baptist Church



November 8th 2020



This Week

- ◆ The podcast will be a little different see the next page for details, it will still be available from early Sunday morning
- ◆ Remember to logon to access it
- ◆ Church Chat and catch up on Sunday at 12:00 via Zoom.

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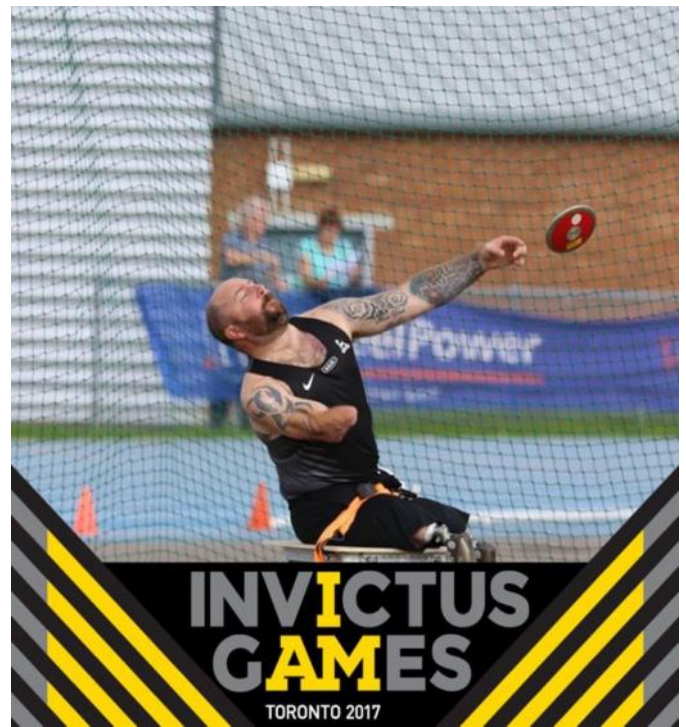


On Sunday 8 November, Remembrance Sunday, our service will be a little different. Cathryn will be interviewing a Former Guardsman forming the main part of the service along with thoughts from Pete and worship led by Mark.

Dave Watson joined the Army in 2008, aged 20, following a life-long ambition to serve in the Scots Guards.

During his first tour of Afghanistan in 2010, Dave stood on an Improvised Explosive Device while out on patrol. As a result of the explosion he lost both legs as well as his right arm, and had to be brought back to life whilst being air-lifted to safety.

Dave talks openly about his life in the army, the day that changed his life and what his journey has looked like since. A bit of a different service to the norm but well worth a listen.





Lots of charities have been hit very hard by Covid, and the British Legion who are a major force in supporting British Forces Veterans, are expecting to be badly affected as very few of their collectors will have been able to get into shopping centres and High Streets this year.

If you haven't bought your poppy but still want to contribute to the British Legion

BY PHONE call their friendly fundraising support team on **0845 845 1945** to make a donation by phone.

BY TEXT To donate **£2** text **POPPY2** to **70545***

To donate **£5** text **POPPY5** to **70545***

To donate **£10** text **POPPY10** to **70545***

Or if you go **online** you can donate and download a Poppy poster for your window (if you have enough red ink in your printer)





Tearfund Big Quiz - Sat 14th November, 7pm

Register now to join in on the church website [here](#) or email me, Steve on outreach@bgb.org.uk It should be a lot of fun and it would be great to everyone involved. In 2018 over 22,000 in over 500 churches took part. You can be part of something big and make significant impact on the lives of others, like [Alaya](#)

A link to the Zoom will be sent out in the hour before we start. I hope it will last not much more than the hour, but it depends on how much banter there is! The final round will be a special, climate and eco-justice themed scavenger hunt.

Your team can be just your household or you can join up with others remotely, using an app like WhatsApp or Facetime, and play as one team, but still all login to the Zoom. Just share the link with your team when you get it.

I am looking forward to a big night for church and a bigger night in the fight against poverty.

Steve

Church chat and catch up

Online with Zoom

Every Sunday at 12:00 till 12.30.

Pop in for a chat you never know who might be there, for the full session or just for 5 minutes before lunch.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87205569890?>

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A thought from David Hall

as I grow older strength is a problem. So I hold on to a line in Great is thy faithfulness. It goes - Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow. I just need strength for each day and pray for it. I will be concerned for tomorrow when it comes and just look after today.

A Friday thought from Men's Group via Matt

"I keep my eyes always on the LORD. With him at my right hand, I shall not be shaken." PSALM 16:8

BGBC Men's group CHRISTIAN STUDY

1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month
8pm to 9pm

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

Contact outreach@bgb.org.uk
for Zoom joining details

BGBC Men's group SOCIAL DROP IN

2nd, 4th and 5th Wednesday of each month
Between 8pm and 9pm

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Greetings Men of Barnt Green Baptist Church !

We have revamped the BGBC Men's group:

- Christian Study on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month
- Social Drop In on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Wednesday of the month
- Social Special events !

SO! what's new ?

- Christian study focuses on study and prayer
- Social DROP IN is a forum to join for as long as and whenever you like. There is no expectation on timing or commitment !
- Social Special Events will also be organised occasionally and details published in advance

Autumn Angels

With Covid-19 not showing any immediate decline and with government restrictions unlikely to lift anytime soon I've been wondering how we can engage with each other better. Even if you're part of a small group or in contact with some from the church we're definitely missing out on our random chats over coffee or opportune conversations that might have been had in passing! If you're like me you're also full of good intentions to get in touch with someone but your execution might not live up to it! So, I'm looking for Autumn Angels (hint, this means you!)

Questions?

What is an Autumn Angel? An Autumn Angel is someone who wants to give someone in our church a bit of a boost (lets face it, we could all do with that occasionally at the moment). The Autumn Angel is given a name of someone in the church. They spend a few days thinking about and praying for that person and then they get in touch with them. This could be by posting a note, a phone call or sending an email. It could be a 'just writing to say I've been praying for you and thought I'd say hello' or a bible verse, a drawing (sure our younger members would be good at that). That's it! So simple but for those few days someone in our church has been lifted up in prayer and then had someone engage with them. Priceless!

If I become an Autumn Angel how do I chose who to get in touch with? You don't. I will have a list of church members and we will use that so we don't all go for the same person! I also want to include all ages - this can be for the very young to the very young - both being Autumn Angels and being on the receiving end of it.

What happens after I've sent my letter or made my phone call? Nothing, apart from be encouraged to come back to me and ask for another name and do the whole thing again. You can try this just one time, do one a week, ask for a name when you feel you have the time or not take part again at all.

What if I don't want to be on the receiving end of this? Just let me know and I'll make sure you're off the list.

I'd like a go at being an Autumn Angel. What do I do now? Get in touch with me and I'll give you a name.

Why Autumn Angels? Because I'm rubbish at coming up with catchy titles and this was as good as I could get. Angels - because we're lifting people in prayer/looking out for them (just don't get all theological on this term with me) and Autumn because I thought we'd try it during the Autumn and see how we get on. If it goes well perhaps we'll have Christmas Angels too!

Any questions just let me know.

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Every gift counts



Each Christmas Birmingham City Mission gives gifts to thousands of children in our city. These children would otherwise not receive Christmas presents.

Thanks to the generosity of Birmingham's people the BCM Christmas toy distribution to families in need has been running for 50 years.

Please help by buying a **NEW (not second hand)** gift for a child or organise a toy collection with your friends, colleagues or groups you attend. Bring them to Birmingham City Mission at The Clock Tower, 2 Langdon Street, Birmingham B9 4BP (open Mon-Fri 9-4pm). We can pick up large collections - just call 0121 766 6603.

Or do it all online. Choose a gift from an online store and have it delivered straight to the address above, or make a donation at:

give.net/toylink

The children are aged between 0 and 16 years old. New toys, books, games and puzzles are needed (must be complete and unmarked). Please do not wrap your present so we can match the gift to the child.

Thank you for your gift.

Birmingham City Mission is a Christian charity established in 1966. Since then it has sought to share the Christian message and to offer practical help and support to the needy and marginalised in our city. BCM works with the homeless, elderly, children and young people. Find out more at birminghamcitymission.org.uk

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Sarah will be taking the gifts to BCM after the service in the building in November, so please bring them then. Alternatively, you can drop them off to Sarah at home or we can arrange collection.

All toys must be new. Thank you