## QE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH NOTICES – Week of 27th April 2025

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April: Sunday Worship 10:30 - 11:45am. Speaker: Tim Bader James 1:1-18 Overcoming Trials

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April: Muddy Boots Walking Group 10 – 11.30am. Meet outside QE Park Centre. Contact Jeanette for details.

Tuesday 29th April: Morning Prayer 9 - 10am. in the Prayer den. All welcome.

- Baby Buggy & Toddler Walk 9.30-10.30am from the Centre. Contact Jeanette for more information.
- Renew QE Park 12 3pm. in the ground floor room.

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April: Diddy Disciples and Little Lambs toddler group 10-11.30am in the main hall. Contact Kate Whiting or Louise

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May: Craft night 7.30-9pm, followed by an optional time of prayer. Contact Louise on louise.mitchell@qepbc.org.uk for details.

## **FURTHER AHEAD**

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May: Sunday Worship 10.30-11.45am Speaker Sheila Hargreave James 1:19-2:26 Living out God's truth

Tuesday 6th May: Morning Prayer 9 - 10am. in the Prayer den. All welcome.

- Renew QE Park 12 3pm. in the ground floor room.
- Tuesday Life Group 6.45-8.30pm. Contact Tim or Rachel

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May: Diddy Disciples and Little Lambs toddler group 10-11.30am in the main hall. Contact Kate Whiting or Louise

Thursday 8th May: Thursday Life Group 7 - 9.30pm. Contact Pam or Ray.

• Ladies' Life Group 7-8.30pm in Refresh. Contact Sheila or Lauren.

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May: Sunday Worship 10.30-11.45am Speaker Lauren Reading James 3 Wisdom & Controlling one's words

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May: Muddy Boots Walking Group 10 – 11.30am. Meet outside QE Park Centre. Contact **Jeanette** for details.

• LT meeting in Refresh. Times tbc

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May: Muddy Boots Plus Walk (5-7 miles) 10.30am-3pm Contact Jeanette for more details.

• **Growing Leaders final session 7-8.30pm** in Refresh

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May: Cake Club: theme TBC 7.30-9pm in Refresh. If you bake, make a cake. If you don't, come and eat!

#### **Easyfundraising:**



Your favourite retailers are likely to work with easyfundraising! This means your online shopping can provide QE Park Baptist Church - Guildford with much-needed funding and support! Over 8,000 retailers will give us free donations when you buy something. Plus, sign up to support us today and we'll get an extra £1 when you raise your first donation. Please join here:

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#### **EXTERNAL EVENT NOTICES**

New 'Struggling with Juggling' - Free & Friendly Life Skills Sessions: Thursdays, 9.15am on 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> May in the large meeting room, QE Park Centre. Run by CAP to help with life's challenges: bills to pay, shopping to do, what to cook?, family pressures, coping with stress and much more. Contact Ann Mather on 07311 82782 or annmather@caplifeskills.org to find out more.

SEBA Partners In Mission (PiM) Day: Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May, 10am - 3.30pm at Guildford Baptist Church, Millmead Centre, GU2 4BE. Tickets £10. Last chance to book tickets. See <u>South Eastern</u> <u>Baptist Association: Partners in Mission days</u> for more information.

The Matrix Trust Masquerade Ball: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May, 7.30-11pm at Manor Farm Tithe Barn, Manor House Lane, Little Bookham, KT23 4EW. Come to enjoy a delicious 3-course meal, music & dancing with a jazz band and DJ and celebrate the impact of The Matrix Trust and support its future. Tickets £73.30 pp from The Matrix Masquerade Ball - 25th Anniversary Tickets, Fri, May 16, 2025 at 7:30 PM | Eventbrite 10% discount for bookings of 10 people.

A Mind of Their Own: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 7.30 - 10pm at Guildford Baptist Church, Millmead Centre, GU2 4BE. Earlybird Tickets £6. The Care for the Family Team will share practical and preventative tools with parents, carers and those working with young people to help children build strong emotional resilience and healthy mental wellbeing. Katharine Hill and Mark Chester, featuring interviews with mental health professionals Dr Rob Waller and Dr Kate Middleton, will explore the science of the mind, and why children act and react the way they do\_If you're a parent, there can be a temptation to make children's lives as stress-free as possible. Parents can't always remove negative events, but they can pass on skills to help them cope. At A Mind of Their Own, topics such as listening and empathising, managing stress together, and looking for life's little wins, will be explored in more detail, highlighting powerful opportunities to build emotional resilience, right in the midst of family life. For more information and to book, use this link.

Calling all Poets: Poetry is a great way to express our Christian faith. Chris Ruddle is working on a compilation of poetry contributions from across the South East. The intention is to have poems from people at Baptist churches: ministers or poets in the congregations. All contributions will be gratefully accepted. Profits from sale of the poetry compilation will go to SEBA. Please email Chris Ruddle with any contributions. c ruddle@yahoo.co.uk

### Write to your MP about:

- The Aid Budget Cuts: An appeal from Tearfund to ask your MP to take a stand against the cuts.
   The UK Government's decision to cut aid spending down to 0.3% of Gross National Income (GNI) a cut of around £5.5 billion is a devastating blow to the communities Tearfund serves. This will directly affect people living in poverty around the world. Families will go hungry. Children won't be able to go to school. Conflict will continue to ruin lives. You can find more information at <a href="Stand">Stand</a> against UK aid cuts Tearfund
- The Assisted Dying Bill: An appeal from the Evangelical Alliance to express your concerns to your MP. They say "Committee hearings in both parliaments have heard evidence from clinicians, lawyers and academics. Many have outlined the harms each bill would have on the elderly, people living with a disability, women and minority ethnic communities. There are no safeguards to protect patients from a miscarriage of care and both bills must be rejected!" Use this link to <a href="Email your MP">Email your MP</a> stating your opposition to Kim Leadbeater's bill which is due for vote on 16 May. We are aiming for all 330 MPs that voted in favour of the bill at second reading to receive an email of opposition from one of our members ahead of report stage on 25 April.

# **Volunteers Wanted to Mentor Children moving from Primary to Secondary School**

**The Matrix Trust** are looking for new School Transition Coaches. Our Transition Coaching programme provides Year 6 children with a trained volunteer coach to walk alongside them through this season. Our coaches take them through a structured programme which builds their emotional literacy and readiness for secondary school. The mentoring continues into Year 7 at their secondary school, for up to 12 months. Free training is provided for all volunteers. Join us in making a difference! Email <a href="mailto:joshdearden-howell@matrixtrust.com">joshdearden-howell@matrixtrust.com</a> to find out more.

# **Myanmar Earthquake Appeal**

**Tearfund** are asking for donations towards their disaster relief work in Myanmar, following the recent catastrophic earthquake. To learn more and to donate visit **DEC Myanmar Earthquake Appeal - Tearfund**