



Summer Holiday Club August 2017

# LILBOURNE CHAPEL NEWSLETTER

November 2017



## A Very Sad Anniversary

Today (27<sup>th</sup> October) is the 50th anniversary of the 1967 Abortion Act. This controversial piece of legislation allowed doctors in Great Britain to perform abortions lawfully so long as certain conditions were met. Some newspapers say that this day should be celebrated because it reduced deaths of many women from illegal abortion - it is estimated 50 lives are saved each year. Each one of these deaths is a tragic loss of life. However, over 8.8 million babies have been aborted in the UK during this time. That's almost the same number as the population as London - one of the biggest capital cities in the whole world. According to the World Health Organisation there over 40-50 million abortions each year. That's 125,000 a day.

The Bible makes it clear we should not take anyone's life because every person is made in the image of God - therefore every life is very precious. Every Christian must be pro-life. Abortion always intends to end the life of a human being made in God's image and therefore it is a serious sin. All Christian leaders must speak up and train and equip their congregations to be pro-life and do our best to influence the culture to value life. Nevertheless, far too many evangelicals have been influenced by a secular culture that believes there is nothing special about being human. We are not evolved animals - we are special because we are made in the image of God. Abortion is murder and we need to speak out against it. Today's culture is trying to make it even easier to have abortions - we must speak up and help those women that feel that they have no choice but to have an abortion.

We must also encourage believers to pursue forgiveness for their involvement in abortion and to tell the world that all sin, including the sin of abortion, can be forgiven. Our God is merciful and compassionate - Psalm 103:11-13 says, "For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him."

Grace and Peace,

*Chi Wah Chow (Pastor)*

## Sunday Services

### 1st Sunday in the Month

**10.30 am All Age Family Service**

**Baby & child care available during the Service**

**Refreshments are served after all services**

### All Other Sundays in the Month

**10.30 am Morning Worship and Communion**

**+ Explorers for Children**

## Other Activities

**Tuesdays 7.30 pm - Home Group Bible Study & Prayer**

**1st Tuesday each month 10.30 am - Coffee Drop-In**

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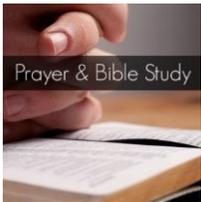
**The Pastor or Elder are always available to pray with or for those who request it. (James 5.14)**



### Sunday morning services at 10.30am

5<sup>th</sup> All-age Family Service - Colin Lamb  
 12<sup>th</sup> 10-10.30am service followed by  
 10.50am Remembrance Service on the Green  
 followed by soup and rolls at the chapel.  
 19<sup>th</sup> Worship & Communion - Chi Wah Chow  
 26<sup>th</sup> Worship & Communion - Colin Lamb

### Home Group Bible Study & Prayer @ 7.30 pm on Tuesdays



7<sup>th</sup> @ Colin & Brenda's  
 14<sup>th</sup> @ Roger & Alison's  
 21<sup>st</sup> @ Andy & Sharon's  
 28<sup>th</sup> @ Ray & Eileen's

### Ladies Bible Studies @ 10.30am Thursdays

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> at Di's. Studying Hosea

### Ladies Prayer Group @ 11.00 am on Tuesdays

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> at Di's

### Coffee Drop-in

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> from 10.30am to 12 midday. All welcome, toys provided for children if they bring a parent or carer!



### Monthly on Monday - Youth Club

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 6pm to 7.30pm  
 Fun for children aged 7 years and above.  
 Bible talk, games and craft. £1 per child.



### Shoebox Coffee Morning

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November 10.30am

Our shoeboxes will go to Romania with Teams4U via Fred & Rachel Smyth in Rugby. Empty shoeboxes and donations of items are welcome for packing on the day. New or nearly toys, toiletries (not liquid) and small kitchen items etc. Leaflets outlining suitable gifts are available.

### Christmas is coming!

#### Youth Club Christmas Party 11<sup>th</sup> December

6-7.30pm for ages 7 and above. Christmas fun and games. Learning about why Jesus came. Christmas snacks. £1 per child

#### Crib Service 17<sup>th</sup> December

4pm Short informal service for the very young and those young at heart. Decorating Christmas biscuits.

#### Carol Service Christmas Eve

6pm traditional service of Readings and Carols, followed by mince pies etc.

#### Christmas Day 10 - 10.30am Christmas Reflections

Christianity Explored... is a course for anyone who would like to find out more about God, the meaning of life, or why Jesus is relevant today. Contact us for further details about doing this six-week course as an individual or with others in a small group. Information also available from their website: [www.christianityexplored.org](http://www.christianityexplored.org)

*"A religion that gives nothing, costs nothing and suffers nothing is worth nothing." Martin Luther 1483 - 1586*