Sunday 17th August 2025

Welcome to our service. Whether you are joining us at the **Tove Valley Centre (TVC)** or **Weston Baptist Chapel** we hope you enjoy your time with us. If you are a visitor, please fill in a Connect Card – just ask one of the Welcome Team members.



This week

Date	Time	Event	Further details
Sunday,	10.30am	Sunday service	Fruitfulness on the Frontline:
17 August	10.50aiii	Sullday Service	Messenger of the gospel
Sunday,	1.00pm	Fellowship BBQ	TVC. Bookings have now closed, but
17 August	1.00pm		visitors to TVBF are very welcome
Sunday,	2 2000	Under the	Join us at the Watermeadows as we
17 August	2.30pm	Gazebo	seek to bless our community
Sunday,	10 200	Sunday service	Fruitfulness on the Frontline: The
24 August	10.30am		journey on

Regular activities

Tuesdays, 10.00am-noon Coffee Stop at Weston Chapel

Thursdays, 2.00-4.00pm Art club at Weston. £5 per session, including all painting

materials. Contact: emifa@btinternet.com

Sundays, 9.15-10.15am Pre-service prayer. TVC. Meeting room 2

Please note that many of our regular activities will take a break over the summer.

Please contact the organiser to check.

Home Groups

During the week we meet in homes around Towcester and Weston for Bible study, prayer and fellowship. There is a mix of daytime and evening groups. If you are interested in joining a Home Group, please email info@tvbf.co.uk or call the church office (01327 204 801), and we will help you find a good fit.



Prayer needs

Throughout the year we are praying for those in our church by name, a few each week. Please pray for each of them as the Lord leads you.

This week, pray for: Richard and Jan Rydon, Marie Saint-Juery, Esther, Blessing and Freda Sample and Andy, Anne and Nathan Seaman.

- Rosie has a knee replacement on Friday, 15 August. Please pray for a successful operation, and for her, Jeremy and the family while she is out of action.
- Please pray for the holiday club (26-29 August), that many children will hear and respond to God's word, and that connections will be strengthened with their families.
- Johnny Burridge has been diagnosed with multiple myeloma a treatable but not curable type of cancer. The long, demanding treatment has already begun, with chemotherapy. Praise God for the excellent medical care he has received so far, and pray for him and the family in the coming weeks and months. Please pray too that his kidneys will recover so he can come off dialysis.
- Please pray for Michelle's mum, Kathy, who is recovering from a couple of falls, and for wisdom for Michelle as she considers the next steps.
- Please pray for healing for Ray's son, Joshua, who has a cyst on his brain.
- Dawn Gatehouse is our TVC administrator. Her husband, Steve has been diagnosed with lymphoma and is undergoing chemotherapy. Please pray that he will stay infection-free and will make a full and complete recovery.
- Please pray for Sophia, who has had serious eye problems over the past few months. Pray for healing, and for the next plan of treatment.

If you have a prayer need, or would like to receive regular prayer updates by email, please contact prayer@tvbf.co.uk.

'Monsters Stink!' Holiday Club

This year's holiday club runs 26-29 August, 9.30am-12.30pm (with a BBQ lunch on the Friday). It is fully subscribed, for which we are very thankful and excited.

We have a few volunteer roles still to fill!

Could you help on one or more of the mornings as: ★ A group leader ★ A group helper ★ A floating helper ★ Running outdoor games/sports?

We also need people to: ● Help to set up after church on Sunday 24th ● Prepare tea/coffee for the BBQ (12.30pm on Friday 29th) ● Pray for the event (from home)

Please contact Beth ASAP if you can fill one of these vital roles: youth@tvbf.co.uk

Week of prayer – 1-7 September

We will be dedicating the first week of September to prayer as we seek God's voice and direction. There will be opportunities to pray at TVC and Weston, and a mix of structured and unstructured times. More details to follow.

Weekend (not) away – 12-14 September

Plans are coming together for this year's weekend together. There will be a BBQ on **Saturday, 13 September** (5.15-6.15pm, £7.50/£2.50), followed by some family-friendly entertainment. Then on **Sunday, 14 September** we will have a fellowship lunch after the service (£3.50). Sign-up sheets for the BBQ and the fellowship lunch are on our website: tvbf.co.uk/whats-on and will also be available on Sundays.

Church BBQ

We have a fellowship BBQ after the service at TVC on 17 August. Bookings have now closed, but if you are a visitor to TVBF, you are very welcome to join us.

Under the Gazebo – 17 August

After the BBQ, we are taking our gazebo and resources to the Watermeadows. Meeting at TVC for **2.30pm**, we will spend time over the afternoon connecting with people – through puppets, conversation, trays of gifts and other activities. Join us for a few hours! For more details contact Jim Mullin jimmullin@btinternet.com.

Puppet outreach opportunities

We have been given the opportunity to do some puppet ministry at Gallone's ice cream shop in Towcester. If you would like to be involved, speak to Jim Mullin (jimmullin@btinternet.com).

Would you like to be baptised?

We are hoping to have a Baptism service in the late summer/early autumn. If you have not been baptised by full immersion, this is an opportunity to follow Jesus in this way – publicly declaring your faith in Jesus and celebrating your Christian life.

If you would like to find out more, please speak to Stuart (pastor@tvbf.co.uk).

Renew169 looking for trustees

Renew169 is a wellbeing café in Towcester is currently in need of some new trustees. In particular, we urgently need someone who could be our treasurer. If that could be you, please contact Lynn Suter, at lis@suter.uk.com. Others who feel called to be a trustee may also contact Lynn at the same email. Thank you.

Prayer for our mission partners

Vicky Bolton - YWAM

Thank you for your prayers for Vicky during her sabbatical this summer. She hopes to be able to share some updates from her time there soon. She says:

My prayer request is for continued clarity in understanding what the Lord is speaking to me, and to know what and when to share moving forward.

During the summer we [YWAM] had a big youth festival called 'SHINE' it built upon the legacy of 'Deluge' that we ran for the last two summers. Just shy of 300 young people and their youth leaders came to camp in our grounds, and gather in a big tent for a few days and then take two weeks for outreach around the UK and the nations. I had a small involvement in Shine but a little less than I normally would.

I have a fair bit of preaching coming up, in my church as well as in Essex. I am also preparing teaching for our Bible school, on 1 & 2 Timothy and 1 & 2 Samuel so far.

Also we have three schools due to start in September: School of Biblical Studies (9 months studying the scriptures book by book), Discipleship Training School, and English for Missions (teaching English language and culture to those called to the English-speaking world as missionaries) please pray that those who are meant to be on these schools will apply, receive provision and come and be equipped.

Learn more about the work of YWAM at <u>ywamharpenden.org</u>

Key contacts

If you want more information, or would like someone to talk to or pray with, please contact any of the following people.

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For issues with our building or grounds		fabric@tvbf.co.uk
For pastoral care needs		pastoralcare@tvbf.co.uk

Sunday service resources

If you are unable to join us in person on Sundays, the service from Towcester is streamed on YouTube at 10.30am: youtube.com/@tvbf/streams Our latest message video and resources are available to download from: tvbf.co.uk/message

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Any queries please contact Dave Middling: comms@tvbf.co.uk