

In Touch

January 2025

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WELCOME TO WIGMORE EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

Let's continue to join together in prayer , in our homes, at 8pm each day.

Pastor's New Year Message

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year!

As we step into a brand-new year, we are reminded of the fresh opportunities God gives us to grow in faith, serve one another, and share His love with the world. A new year often brings resolutions and plans, but as believers, our ultimate focus should be on aligning our hearts and lives with God's will.

The Apostle Paul reminds us in Philippians 3:13-14: *"Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus."*

This passage encourages us to let go of past failures and distractions and press forward with purpose. God has new mercies for each of us every morning, and 2025 is no different. Whatever challenges or victories you experienced last year, know that God is walking with you into this new season.

As a church, we are excited about the opportunities ahead. This year, we want to focus on deepening our relationships with God, strengthening our fellowship, and reaching out to those

around us with the love of Christ. Whether through worship, discipleship, service, or outreach, there is a place for everyone to grow and contribute.

I encourage you to take some time this week to pray and reflect on what God is calling you to this year. Perhaps it's a renewed commitment to prayer and Bible reading, helping out in the regular activities of the church, or reaching out to someone in need. Let's make 2025 a year of spiritual growth and impact, both individually and as a church family.

Thank you for being part of this journey of faith. I'm grateful for each of you and look forward to seeing how God will work through our church in the months ahead. Let's enter this new year with hope, courage, and a steadfast trust in the One who makes all things new.

With my prayers for a joyful and purposeful New Year!

In Christ,

Pastor Tim

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Annual Week of Prayer

Sunday 2nd February-8th February

Our annual Week of Prayer is a little later this year. It will start on Sunday 2nd Feb at 10am. At 10:45 we will break for breakfast refreshments before resuming the morning service at 11:15 at which point the children will go straight to Sunday School.

A chart for the week will be distributed; as usual we will pause for prayer at 8am and 8pm each day with in-person prayer meetings on Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30pm and on Saturday 8th at 10am.

Jim Letch

Jim passed away on Sunday 5th January. He used to worship regularly with us until ill health meant he had to go into care and could no longer attend. He was a great help to us when we first began to use technology here, and was a friendly face to welcome everyone on a Sunday morning. We are comforted to know his earthly suffering is over and he is now with the Lord.

Jim's funeral is on Friday 7th February at Thamesview Crematorium.

Christmas Period

Let's thank God for the encouragement of our Christmas services which were well attended with lots of visitors.



... to Thomas and Rachael whose little daughter, Olivia Ailsa was born on 10th January. Olivia weighed in at a healthy 7lbs 6oz

Jonathan Wood

Jonathan is preaching at Free Grace Church, Belvedere on Sunday 16th February. Please remember him in your prayers.

Diary Dates

Bring and Share Lunch

Sunday 19th January

This will follow the morning service.

As always, bring some food for yourself and to share with others.

Ladies Meeting

Wednesday 29th January at 7.30pm

All the ladies of the Church are encouraged to come along as we study God's Word together.

EPW Day of Thanksgiving

Saturday 1st February in Leamington Spa

All are welcome

See following page

Further details can be obtained from Susan.

Baptism Classes

Baptism classes will be held soon. Some candidates have already come forward. If baptism is something you are considering please speak to Pastor at your earliest convenience.

Prayer

Please continue to pray for Samuel Squire who remains in hospital. Pray that the Lord will be very close to him at this time.

Pray for all those who are going through health issues as we go through the winter period.

Thank you

Sylvia would like to thank all those who have served refreshments each Sunday morning over the past year.

We are blessed to have so many who are willing to organise this.

Programme for January

Sunday 5th January

11.00am Pastor Tim Wood -
6.30pm Pastor Tim Wood -

Sunday 12th January

11.00am Jonathan Wood -
6.30pm Pastor Tim Wood -

Bible readings and sermon
subjects not yet available

Sunday 19th January

11.00am Pastor Tim Wood -
6.30pm Pastor Tim Wood -

Sunday 26th January

11.00am Pastor Tim Wood -
6.30pm Pastor Tim Wood -



EPW DAY OF THANKSGIVING HIGHLIGHTS AND HOPES

SATURDAY, 1ST FEBRUARY 11.00AM TIL 4.00PM
EMMANUEL CHURCH, HEATH TERRACE, LEAMINGTON SPA
PAUL MALLARD PREACHING AM AND PM



JOIN US FOR PRAISE AND PRAYER

Latest updates from the UK and overseas

Bring your own lunch

Refreshments served through the day

**COME AND HEAR ABOUT THE WONDERFUL
THINGS GOD IS DOING THROUGH EPW**