



Hardwick Happenings

Sunday, 3 May 2026

10:30am

Scripture: Leviticus 11:1-15:33

[Series: Leviticus. Number 4]

Preacher: Darrell Wilkinson

6:00pm

Scripture: 2 Peter 1:12-21

[Series: 2 Peter. Number 3]

Preacher: Darrell Wilkinson

Activities this week

Monday, 4 May

Tuesday, 5 May

Prayer @ Church 9:00am
GA 6:00pm
Youth Group, girls 7:30pm

Wednesday, 6 May

Toddlers 10:00am
Prayer on Zoom 1:00pm
NEGP (see Notices) 7:00pm

Thursday, 7 May

Prayer @ Church 9:00am

Friday, 8 May

Prayer @ Church 7:00am
Knit, Craft, and Share 10:00am

Sunday, 10 May 2026

am Leviticus 16:1-34

Preacher: Matt Oliver

Bring and Share Lunch following morning service

pm 2 Peter 2:1-22

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Hardwick Baptist Church, Piper Knowle Road, Stockton-on-Tees, TS19 8JQ

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Fighter Verses

Psalm 1:5-6 ESVUK

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgement, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Prayer items

Our Church

Ongoing Prayers for 2026.

- for the Lord to raise up qualified elders for our church.
- for the Lord to give wisdom to our current elders to care well for a growing congregation.
- for the Lord to save 10 people and for us to make disciples of Jesus Christ from all nations to the glory of God.
- for guidance on whether to extend the building, run multiple services, look to revitalise a dying church or plant a new one.
- for a deeper love of God and people.
- for us to deny self, take up our cross daily and follow Jesus.

Mission

Ed & Katie

Pray

- for them and others in the village as they have a building project they are working on.
- that God would provide opportunities for them to share their faith as they work alongside people
- that they would have opportunities to be a blessing to their local community

Other Churches

Grace Church, Newton Hall – Pastor Mark Rainbow

Praise

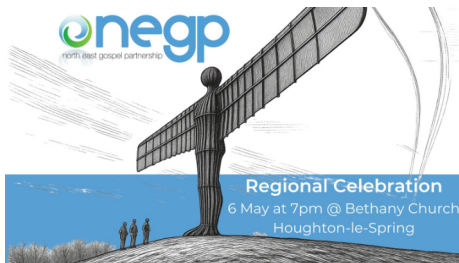
- for the visitors who came to each of our Passion for Life guest services in March.

- for our recent Holiday club, which ran well. Give thanks some of the non-church families have attended church off the back of it.
- for the Lord's grace in sustaining several church family members through trial.

Pray

- for ongoing help from the Lord for those facing sickness, and housing uncertainty.
- for conversions amongst those we've been able to share Christ with.
- for young people doing exams in the coming months.
- for wisdom for the church leadership as we look to make godly and humble plans for growth.
- for the Lord to provide us with a maternity cover for our youth and children's worker.

Notices



Wednesday, 6 May 7pm
 North East Gospel Partnership
 Regional Celebration
 Bethany Church, Houghton-le-Spring
 A great opportunity to worship with
 brothers and sisters from across the
 region

Thought for the week

6 Things You Maybe Didn't Know About Being a Christian

Part 4 - You are at War

You're now wonderfully at peace with God. Jesus has reconciled you through His precious blood shed on the cross. You're now no longer God's enemy, you're His child. Jesus calls you 'friend'.

But, you do still have an enemy. Multiple enemies, in fact.

The world, the flesh and the devil are all opposed to you. They will try to discourage you, distract you and deceive you. So, you need to be on guard, alert, constantly prepared to stand, to fight, to resist.

Ephesians 6:10-18 is the famous passage about the armour of God (I encourage you to go read it). In it Paul tells us 3 times to stand. We often think fighting is about advancing, but what we're called to do is stand and remain standing when the battle is over.

We stand in the strength that God has given. We stand in the gospel of Jesus Christ. We stand wearing what Christ has provided; salvation, righteousness, truth, faith, the word of God, the gospel of peace.

1 Peter 5:8-9 also speaks about this war we're in.

"Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings."

If we're not ready for war, we've lost.

If we're not alert, we will be caught off guard and lose.

If we're not wearing the armour when distractions, distortions and discouragements come, we will doubt, we will feel guilt and shame, we will struggle to know what's right, we will give up.

Christ has defeated Satan.

Christ has overcome the world.

Christ has defeated death.

Christ has overcome the darkness.

Christ has set us free from the power of sin.

The Bible is our war manual.

Prayer is our connection to the military command centre.

Our brothers and sisters are the unit we go into front lines with.

We need them all.

Matt Oliver

Giving to Hardwick Baptist Church

To give financially to the Church, you can do so as follows:

1. Placing your gift in the offering box at back left of the main hall
2. Direct Giving using the church account details
Sort Code 09-01-54 Account Number. 5873 6082