



You are not the only one interested in faith

There has been a lot of talk in Christian circles over the past couple of years about a piece of research called The Quiet Revival. The actual survey was conducted by a reputable national body (who I am not naming because they made some mistakes), and then the Bible Society wrote up a report based upon that survey. There were a number of questions asked along the way as to how accurate the survey was because the results were astonishing. According to the survey, millions more people said that they were interested in the Christian faith and had even started attending a church on a regular basis than before the pandemic. However, it has since been found that there were errors in how the survey body carried out their research and so the conclusions from the Bible Society cannot be verified by hard data anymore.

I've read various reports (including by the BBC), which say that this outlier Bible Society report was just that and that there were no more reports to back it up. However, that is simply not true. There have been numerous pieces of research conducted over recent years by a variety of bodies about trends towards faith in general, church attendance and sales of Bibles to name just 3 areas. The hard data from these numerous other reports does show that many, many people across our country are more inquisitive of faith than in previous decades. Not only that, but there is a realization from millions of people that the lies of secularism just don't work - namely, that you can be anything you want to be and do anything you want to do as long as you don't hurt anybody else. That lie has ultimately led to so many problems for individuals and families and even nationally. So, people are looking elsewhere for something that does work.

Added to all of that, many of our churches are seeing first-hand a greater interest from people in our communities. Some of those people just show interest in asking real and genuine questions, without trying to be tricky or provocative. Some people have been coming along to our churches and trying us out. So it turns out that, whilst the numbers may not have been entirely correct, that the Bible Society report was not completely wrong - it was actually pointing us towards something that truly is happening in our country.

I write all of that, not to try to justify a report that anybody has written, but because there will be people reading this newsletter who have become more interested in the Christian faith over recent years and don't realise that they are not the odd one out for that. If that is you then we are always here for you (as we always have been) and would love to chat with you about any of your questions. There is no pressure to start coming to church or anything like that.

During this month of June we are also having a special Invitation Sunday, on 14th June. The morning service especially will be particularly aimed at those who are just exploring faith and are not used to being in church. Please do consider this as a personal invitation to you from me. All Hallows is always a place where people can come along and find out more, but that morning will bring a special focus for such people. We'd love to see you if you are one of those wanting to find out more.

God bless,

Paul

New or Visiting?

First Time Here?

If it's your first time here then welcome! It's great to have you with us. Here are a few short notes that you might find helpful.

Relax - You're our guest, so make yourself at home. If there is anything that you would like to know then ask one of the Welcome Team by the front door.

We don't expect guests to give - For those who are members or regular attenders there is an offering plate at the back, but we don't ask our guests for any money.

We have a Loop System - Switch your hearing aid to T-coil.

You might find it useful to sit towards the middle.

Hang around afterwards - Come and join us for a cup of tea or fresh coffee, and for a chat—drinks are served in the hall and we usually gather in the lounge to chat.

Prayer - If you would like someone to pray with you — either prayer for you or for someone you know — there are people who would love to do so after the service. Please make yourself known to the service leader.

Children & Youth - Once a month, the whole church worships together. On other weeks, there is a Sunday School for primary aged children. One of the Welcome Team can show you where Sunday School meets. For pre-school age children, there are green tables at the side of church with activities. Please don't be embarrassed if your children make any noise—they are welcome here and are part of the service, too! All our children and youth leaders have DBS checks and have undergone safeguarding training.

Next Steps

We are all on a journey through life, and our faith is no different. Depending upon where you are on your journey with God here are some 'Next Steps' you could take:

COMMIT YOUR LIFE TO CHRIST

Commit to follow Jesus today!

RE-COMMIT TO CHRIST

It's never too late for a fresh start with faith.

DECLARE YOUR FAITH THROUGH BAPTISM

If you feel you've made a commitment to God but have never been baptised, then this could be a great step for you.

JOIN A LIFE GROUP

If you're not in one, there are a number of groups that meet in homes throughout the week to get to know each other better, look at the Bible and pray together.

BE PART OF THE MISSION

There are lots of ways you can use your gifts to serve God, his Church and the wider community. Speak to one of the church team to find out more.

JUNE 2026

Wednesday 3rd

7:00-8:30 Youth Club

Sunday 7th

10:00 Morning Family of God Service

6:30 Evening Communion Service

Wednesday 10th

9:00-1:00 Light Café

9:30-11:00 Messy Toddlers

1:00-1:15 Pause for Thought

7:00-8:30 Youth Club

Saturday 13th

2:00 Fun Day

Sunday 14th - Invitation Sunday

10:00 Morning Service & Sunday School

6:30 Evening Service

Wednesday 17th

9:00-1:00 Light Café

1:00-1:15 Pause for Thought

7:00-8:30 Youth Club

Sunday 21st - Father's Day

10:00 Morning Communion Service & Sunday School

6:30 Evening Service

Wednesday 24th

9:00-1:00 Light Café

1:00-1:30 BCP Holy Communion

7:00-8:30 Youth Club

Thursday 25th

7:30 Social Night

Sunday 28th

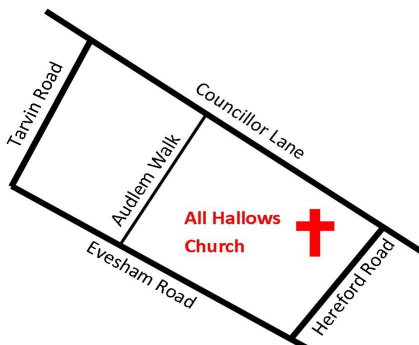
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PRAYER MEETINGS

Monday

10:00-11:00 Zoom Prayers

Tuesday and Thursday

9:30-10:00 Morning Prayer in Room 2
(off the Church Hall)

Wednesday

1:00-1:15 Pause for Thought in Church

Saturday Prayer Relays

Book a half hour slot during the day to pray, before somebody else takes over