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A Praying Church



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Sussex Ministry Training Course (SMTC)

Tuesdays in term time (33 weeks per year), in Haywards Heath, with the option of a second year. 10:30am to 4:15pm.

Saturday Morning Bible Training Course (SMBTC)

22 Saturday mornings over two years at various venues across East/Mid/West Sussex. This course covers the core elements of SMTC year 1. Those who complete the course may choose to apply for SMTC year 2.

Application forms for next September will be available from Easter 2020.

For more information about the training courses, including a video and brochures which can be downloaded, please visit:

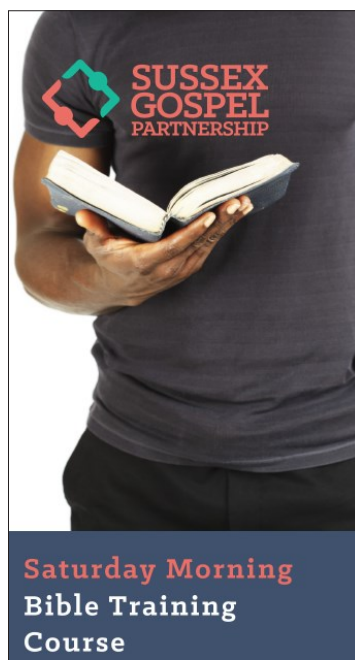
sussexgospelpartnership.org.uk/ministries/training-courses/

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Usual office hours: Tuesday mornings and Wednesdays



PROGRAMME

Session 1 (10 to 11:20am)

Rupert Bentley-Taylor

A Praying Church 1

Refreshment break

Session 2 (12 to 1pm)

Rupert Bentley-Taylor

A Praying Church 2

Lunch

Session 3 (2 to 3:30pm)

Prayer Together



We are very pleased to welcome Rupert Bentley-Taylor as our main speaker today.

Rupert is known for his preaching and teaching at national events such as New Word Alive and the London Men's Convention. Formerly the Pastor of Widcombe Baptist Church in Bath, Rupert now has a UK-wide teaching and training ministry. His passion is training Christians to understand and teach their Bibles.

SESSION 1 Bible Passages

2 Thessalonians 1:1-3, 11-12

Paul, Silas and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: ² Grace and peace to you from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³ We ought always to thank God for you, brothers and sisters, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love all of you have for one another is increasing.

¹¹ With this in mind, we constantly pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling, and that by his power he may bring to fruition your every desire for goodness and your every deed prompted by faith.

¹² We pray this so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Thessalonians 3:1-5

As for other matters, brothers and sisters, pray for us that the message of the Lord may spread rapidly and be honoured, just as it was with you.

² And pray that we may be delivered from wicked and evil people, for not everyone has faith. ³ But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one. ⁴ We have confidence in the Lord that you are doing and will continue to do the things we command. ⁵ May the Lord direct your hearts into God's love and Christ's perseverance.

SESSION 1: **Praying that Matters**

Scripture inspiring prayer

I. Priority Praying 1:2-3

1. Grace and peace

2. We thank God for you

II. Big Praying 1:11-12

Context

1. God's calling

2. God's power

3. God's glory

4. God's grace

III. Battle Praying 3:1-5

Context

1. Proclamation

2. Protection

3. Direction

- into God's love

- into Christ's perseverance



SPEAKERS INCLUDE
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Fresh Pathways in Prayer

Julian Hardyman

RRP: £5.99 **£4.79**

Julian Hardyman tackles head-on those questions we all have about prayer, but feel we can't ask. He gives us permission to be honest about how our prayer lives are going and he provides fresh, practical ideas to help us enjoy talking to our heavenly Father.

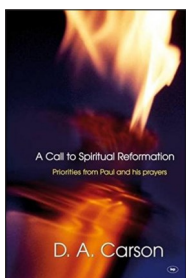
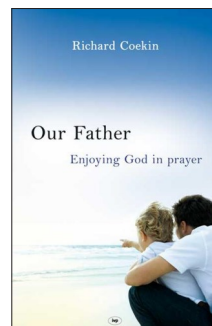
Our Father

Enjoying God in prayer

Richard Coekin

RRP: £8.99 **£7.19**

As we see the Father described in Jesus' prayer, we find ourselves lifted in wonder to delight in him. Our cold hearts are warmed and our stifled tongues released to pray. The Lord's Prayer, and so this book, is all about enjoying God.



A call to spiritual reformation

Priorities from Paul and his prayers

D A Carson

RRP: £14.99 **£11.99**

In this widely appreciated exposition, Carson works through several of the apostle Paul's prayers in such a way that we hear God speak to us today, and find strength and direction to improve our praying, both for God's glory and for our good.

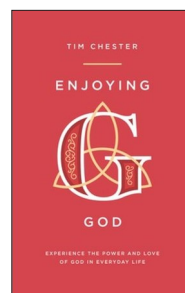
Enjoying God

Experience the power & love of God in everyday life

Tim Chester

RRP: £7.99 **£6.39**

Tim Chester shows us how to relate to each of the three persons of the Trinity, and what this looks like in practice. Readers will discover that as we engage more with God, and understand how awesome he is, we can enjoy him more.

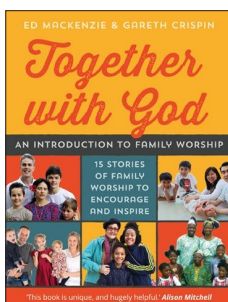
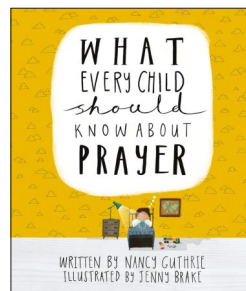


What every child should know about prayer

Nancy Guthrie

RRP: £9.99 **£7.99**

Nancy explains in child-friendly language what prayer is, how and why we should pray, and the things we can pray about. There is a Bible verse for each topic, and a prayer for children to make their own.



Together with God

An introduction to family worship

Ed Mackenzie & Gareth Crispin

RRP: £6.95 **£5.56**

Features 15 stories of how families worship and pray together at home. Their stories are the heart of the book, and explain what has worked well for each family, the challenges they face, and tips for those just starting out.

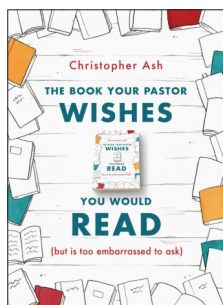
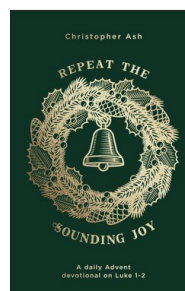
Repeat the Sounding Joy

A daily advent devotional on Luke 1 and 2

Christopher Ash

RRP: £6.99 **£5.59**

In this Advent journey through Luke 1 and 2, Christopher Ash brings these familiar passages to life with fresh insight, colour and depth. Each day's reading includes a short reflection, prayer, carol, and a space to journal, helping you to treasure the Lord Jesus in your heart.



The book your pastor wishes you would read (but is too embarrassed to ask)

Christopher Ash

RRP: £5.99 **£4.79**

Former seasoned pastor, Christopher Ash, urges church members to think about pastors not just in terms of what they do – how they lead and pray and preach and teach and so on – but about who they are. He encourages us to remember that pastors are people and to pray for them as they serve us.

SESSION 2 Bible Passages

2 Chronicles 30:25 to 31:1

²⁵The entire assembly of Judah rejoiced, along with the priests and Levites and all who had assembled from Israel, including the foreigners who had come from Israel and also those who resided in Judah. ²⁶ There was great joy in Jerusalem, for since the days of Solomon son of David king of Israel there had been nothing like this in Jerusalem. ²⁷ The priests and the Levites stood to bless the people, and God heard them, for their prayer reached heaven, his holy dwelling-place.

¹ When all this had ended, the Israelites who were there went out to the towns of Judah, smashed the sacred stones and cut down the Asherah poles. They destroyed the high places and the altars throughout Judah and Benjamin and in Ephraim and Manasseh. After they had destroyed all of them, the Israelites returned to their own towns and to their own property.

Acts 4:23-31

²³ On their release, Peter and John went back to their own people and reported all that the chief priests and the elders had said to them.

²⁴ When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. 'Sovereign Lord,' they said, 'you made the heavens and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. ²⁵ You spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of your servant, our father David: "Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? ²⁶ The kings of the earth rise up and the rulers band together against the Lord and against his anointed one. ²⁷ Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. ²⁸ They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen. ²⁹ Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. ³⁰ Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus.' ³¹ After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

Hebrews 10:22-25

²² let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how we may spur one another on towards love and good deeds, ²⁵ not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Revelation 8:3-4

³ Another angel, who had a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense to offer, with the prayers of all God's people, on the golden altar in front of the throne. ⁴ The smoke of the incense, together with the prayers of God's people, went up before God from the angel's hand.

SESSION 2: Encouraging Corporate Prayer

We have a problem!

I. The Call of the Old Testament to Corporate Prayer

1. Pattern of assembling together in corporate prayer & worship

Solomon: 1 Kings 8

Joshua: Joshua 24

Asa: 2 Chron 15

Hezekiah: 2 Chronicles 30

Josiah: 2 Kings 23

Ezra & Nehemiah: *Ezra 10, Nehemiah 8*

2. Language of the Psalms

Ps 33

Ps 46

Ps 95

Ps 122

3. Language of the prophets

Isaiah 1

Isaiah 55

Zech 2

II. The Call of Gospels and Acts to Corporate Prayer

1. Jesus in the Gospels

example Lk 5:16

commands Lk 18:1, Mt 6:6

warnings Mt 6:5

with his disciples Lk 9:18, 11:1, 9:28, 22:40

Lord's Prayer Mt 6:9-13

2. The Church in Acts

Acts 1-5

Acts 12

Acts 14

Acts 20

III. The Call of the Epistles and Revelation to Corporate Prayer

1. Epistles

Rom 1:9

Jude 20

Hebrews

3:13

4:14-16

10:22

2. Revelation

5:8 & 8:3-4

Rev 4

Rev 5

Rev 7

Rev 19

Rev 21 & 22

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at Cuckfield Baptist Church, near Haywards Heath, RH17 5GP

This time we will be focussing on support for ministry to children and young people with additional needs.

Further info in the new year at sussexgospelpartnership.org.uk/events



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FIRST AID

First Aid Cover is being provided by Sarah MacLennan today.

If you need help, please go to the Reception Desk in the Foyer and ask for Ian MacLennan or Wendy Sands who will contact Sarah.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Crèche/Imagine (Babies& Preschoolers) drop-off and pick-up: SOFT PLAY & LOUNGE

Inspire (School Yrs Reception to Year 5) drop-off and pick-up: BOLNORE ROOM

Ignite (School Yrs 6 to 11) drop-off: LINDFIELD ROOM (upstairs); pick-up from the FOYER

Coffee Break

Only the youth in *Ignite* (Yrs 6 to 11) rejoin parents during coffee break

Please do not disturb the other groups (*Crèche/Imagine* and *Inspire*) during the break!

Lunch break and end of day

Please collect your children quickly FROM THEIR PICK-UP POINT.

Parents are responsible for their children during lunch.

Would parents please keep their mobile phones turned on, in silent mode, so that leaders can contact them during the day if needed.

VENUE plan

