

## Prayer Guide

### EBA Prayer Focus: Colchester Baptist Church

Colchester is Britain's oldest recorded town and Colchester Baptist Church, located in the heart of the town, is one of the oldest Baptist churches in the country with roots dating back to the mid-17<sup>th</sup> century. This thriving and growing church with over 200 members is currently led by Revd Cole Maynard who has bought a new vision of 'strong Christians rooted in Christ' to the church since he joined in 2018.

For prayer:

- For the opportunities to grow and start to move the church into new areas
- For continuing blessing and encouragement during the current lockdown restrictions
- For wisdom in delivering online services and harnessing technology to adapt to a new way of being church

### Walton Parish Nursing

- Please continue to pray for Lorna, John and the volunteers.
- Pray that the new Wellbeing Group on Zoom will be helpful to those attending.
- Continue to pray for No Labels

### Nation

- Pray for the Government as they grapple with the current surge in infections, hospitalisations and deaths.
- Give thanks that vaccines are being rolled out quickly and pray this may continue to go smoothly.
- Give thanks for the NHS staff who continue to work hard to treat the rising tide of Covid patients and pray that the health service will not be overwhelmed.
- Pray for those who are suffering loss of jobs and businesses because of the lockdown, particularly in retail and hospitality.

### World

- Give thanks that President Biden's Inauguration was peaceful. Pray for him as he faces huge health, social and economic problems in the country.
- Pray for the work of Open Doors, that their lobbying of governments will be effective in putting pressure on persecuting regimes.
- Pray particularly that the government of Nigeria will be more effective in ensuring that Christians are treated justly in Northern Nigeria and will be protected from Boko Haram.

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## Welcome to Maidstone Road Baptist Church

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2021  
**Morning Service**

Leader: Mark Reid and Speaker: Revd. Beth Powney  
Online via the MRBC website.

This week	
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	10.30am <b>Sunday Morning Service</b> Online via the MRBC website.
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	10.00am - 11.00am <b>Online Coffee Morning</b> via Zoom Come and go as you please. Please contact us if you need log-on details.
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	10.30am <b>Sunday Morning Service</b> Speaker - Mark Reid- Online only on the MRBC Website.

Today we welcome the Revd. Beth Powney as our speaker. Beth is one of the EBA Regional Ministers.



**Church Website:**  
[mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk](http://mrbcfelixstowe.org.uk)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Regular Activities

Because of the constraints placed on us by the Coronavirus pandemic, the only Church activities running at present are those listed in the Weekly Sheet.

#### Felixstowe Lent Course 2021

Because of the present situation, the Lent Course will be held on Zoom this year. A number of churches have agreed to host it and we shall be doing a York Course called **Caring for Creation** which is topical at the moment. For those without internet, there will be the opportunity for individual study. Please look out for further information in the next couple of weeks.

#### SERVICES IN JANUARY

**24<sup>th</sup> January - Morning Service**  
Reading - 2 Corinthians 12:1-10

**31st January - Morning Service**

**More details to follow**  
**All services online until further notice.**

## REGULAR STUFF

**Leadership Team** – usually monthly first Tuesday.  
Next Meeting – **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February** at 7.30pm (on Zoom)

**Church Meeting** – usually bi-monthly second Tuesday.  
Next meeting - **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** at 7.30pm. (on Zoom).

**Prayer Meetings** – monthly on first Saturday  
Next meeting – **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February** at 9.30am (Via Zoom)

#### Discontinuing of live services at Church

There will be no activities live at the church premises until after Lockdown, when the situation will be reviewed. Online services and activities continue as normal.

#### Got a notice for the Sheet?

**Fellowship prayer** requests go to **Steve** by **Friday morning**

**Notices** for the weekly sheet to **Lisa R** by **Friday evening**

#### January Birthdays

26<sup>th</sup> Michael B and Steve P,  
30<sup>th</sup> Betty H

#### Small Groups

**Felixstowe Evening Group**  
(Margaret Lines/Ingrid Fenn)

Mondays (not currently meeting)

**Trimley Evening Group**  
(Andrew Marfleet)

Mondays Fortnightly (not currently meeting)

**Old Felixstowe Daytime Group**  
(Steve Lineham)

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays on Zoom.  
Contact Steve L for details.

**Felixstowe Morning Group**  
(Brian and Dot Salway)

Thursdays **Contact Brian and Dot.**

#### Unity Week

##### Unity Week

Unity week is all but over but tonight, it's the **United Service** which will **premiere at 6.30pm on YouTube** and be available afterwards. Keynote Speaker: Dr Gareth Jones. Connection details for the service and a Zoom gathering afterwards are on the CTF Website.

**Personal Pilgrimage** - 25<sup>th</sup> January is the last day. Because we cannot hold our regular pilgrimage, we shall be offering the opportunity for individuals to pray on their daily exercise or "virtually" in their prayers at home.

#### Rev Ron Rivers

We are sad to announce that Ron Rivers sadly passed away recently at Ipswich Hospital. He was Minister of this church from 1975 to 1989, and in retirement he and Sheila continued to make a significant contribution to the life of the church. We pray for the family at this sad time but also with the knowledge that he is with his Lord, so our parting is for a season. His funeral will be family only on February 10<sup>th</sup> and there will be a Memorial Service later this year.



#### Walton Parish Nursing Contacts

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