

# Hethersett Independent Reformed Baptist Church

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## Monthly Prayer Focus

March 2010



### Focus for Your Prayers during March

#### Focus on Wetzlar, Germany.



Let us pray for the Evangelical Reformed Baptist Church in Wetzlar, Germany with whom we have just formed a partnership. The pastor of the church is Andre Bay who is married to Marie, they have one young daughter. The church is approximately the same size as ours, having 10 members and a maximum congregation of 20 including six children.

Because of their reformed stance the church feels rather isolated in the area and first made contact with us via our web site, as they were seeking fellowship and encouragement from like minded congregations. Please pray for the Wetzlar Church and their pastor Andre that the Lord will bless their ministry and give them encouragement in their service for the kingdom. Pray also that our partnership arrangement will give us a broader view of the Christian church, especially in Europe.

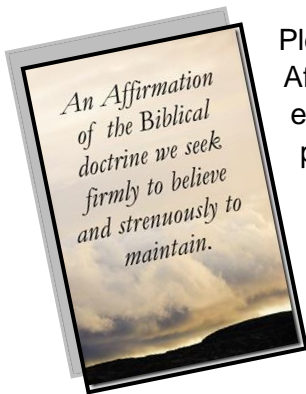
## Focus on Brooke Baptist Church.

On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March our friends at Brooke will be holding their Church Anniversary with their guest speaker being Dr. Roland Burrows from Ebenezer Strict Baptist Church, Cradley Heath, Birmingham. Dr Burrows is no stranger to Norfolk as he has visited the county on several occasions. Please pray that this occasion will prove to be a great blessing for the folk at Brooke and an encouragement to them in their work for the Lord.



Pray for our brother Earnest Roxburgh as he continues to coordinate the work of the church, and arranges for the speakers on the Lord's Day.

## Focus on Affirmation 2010



Please continue to pray for the impact of Affirmation 2010 on those who call themselves evangelicals. The response since the publication of the Affirmation in mid February has been most encouraging, 118 people have already shown their support by adding their names to the list of signatories on the web site, and at the time of preparing this article 6,388 people have viewed the site.

Of course, there will be those who will not feel able to give their full support, and no doubt some who will not support it at all, please pray that at least they will view the document and find encouragement in the parts they do agree with, and pray also that the Holy Spirit will assist those who are totally against to search the scriptures that He might bring enlightenment to their minds concerning these vital foundational doctrines of the Christian faith.

## Focus of the Fellowship.



First of all we are very grateful for all who assisted in spring cleaning the church premises following the completion of the internal renovation work.



The day saw the pastor's wife ascend the pulpit (but only with her duster) some had to grow in stature in order to reach the difficult places, while some found it

just too cold, and hugged the radiator (sorry Penny).

In your prayers give thanks to God for the blessings of the past month, for those who have filled our pulpit on the Lord's day and led us in the study of God's word on Monday evenings. Pray also for the Women's Fellowship which has re-commenced following a short break.

Let us pray for Ellie and Maria, two sisters living in the village who joined us for the Bible study one Monday evening, Maria stated that she felt led to the church, pray that the study and the following discussions proved to be helpful for them. Pray also for Carolina, another lady who meets with from time to time, all three are from a Roman Catholic background.

Several friends are still laid aside with ongoing illness, Barbara Latter and Maureen Lincoln especially need our prayers both have been unable to meet with us over the past weeks, pray that the Lord will strengthen and restore them to better health.



Gervase Charmley has now transferred his membership to Bethel Evangelical Church in Hanley where he is Student Pastor. Please pray for Gervase that the Lord will grant him wisdom and discernment in his pastoral role.



Pray that our ministry in the village may be effective, give thanks to God for the contacts that have been made, that we may be able to build on those relationships.

Remember those from the village who join with us for worship from time to time, pray that the seed that is sown may germinate in their hearts and develop by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Finally, during the month let us all pray for each other individually.

### **Focus on Human Dignity**

Let us pray for people who are being treated by others in degrading and cruel ways, despised and punished because of their gender, ethnicity, religious or political beliefs, or for some so called offence. Pray that these captives will be liberated and discover forgiveness, love and freedom in Christ.

Intercede for frail, vulnerable adults and children who are badly treated in their own homes or behind the closed doors of an institution. Pray for social workers, medical and nursing staff, teachers and others to have wisdom and courage to know how to help them.

Continue to pray against the legalisation of euthanasia, and that the practice of abortion will one day become "unthinkable".