



A Quiet revival in England?

‘Wilt thou not **revive** us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee?’ *Psalm 85v6*

Since the beginning of 2025, many national news outlets in the UK such as the Guardian, Telegraph, and even the BBC have featured stories about a Christian revival in England. Stories like these are surprising to see from a media that is mostly very secular and has even been very anti-Christian in its reporting. Most of the articles have pointed out a large increase in church attendance in the UK over the past few years, particularly amongst young people. According to a quoted study, in 2024 16% of 18-24 year olds are regularly attending church services, which is up from just 4% in 2016. It has been such an encouragement to see this trend widely-reported on. We are thankful so see this increase in person in our church. Since 2020, our average attendance has doubled. We have also seen this reflected in other churches of like faith. Zach recently travelled to London for a fellowship meeting with other pastors and full-time

church-workers. There were nearly 90 men in attendance, and every pastor that Zach was able to speak to on the day gave testimony of growth in their church! We have challenged our church family to begin praying every day for the Lord to send a mighty revival in England, and we would invite you to begin praying this way as well!

Childrens Clubs

Over the past few months, we've been able to host Holiday clubs for children. In February and May, we held 'Half-term games days' for local children. We were blessed with good attendance for both days and were thankful for some visiting children!

In April, we held a three day Holiday Bible Club during the Easter holiday. Our theme this year was the life of Peter, which coincided perfectly with Resurrection Sunday that weekend. Over 30 children were in attendance every day, and it's been a blessing to see some of the new children regularly attending the Sunday School as well. Please pray for the salvation of many children here in East Birmingham!



Easter Weekend

We are so thankful for so many blessings during the Easter Weekend as we remembered and proclaimed the Death, Burial, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. On Good Friday, we enjoyed a special day of fellowship with some of our members. On Saturday, we held a special open-air evangelism outreach in Birmingham City Centre, and Resurrection Sunday, the building was filled to capacity, with our 70 people in the morning meeting, including several lost visitors, many of whom stayed for our special Gospel service in the afternoon. Finally, on Easter Monday (which is a national holiday in the UK), we brought over 20 people from our church on a 'Christian Heritage Tour' to the beautiful village of Olney to visit the home, church, and graves of the famous hymn-writers John Newton and William Cowper. We enjoyed a lovely time singing some of their hymns in Newton's church, such as Amazing Grace, There is a Fountain Filled with Blood, and God Moves in a Mysterious Way. We are praying that God would raise up more hymn-writers and preachers like these two great men!



Prayer Requests

1. Pray for the many young people in our church who will be attending Camp Victory in a few weeks.
2. Continue to pray for a permanent church home for East Birmingham Baptist Chapel
3. Pray for a genuine revival in the UK and a raising up of many more teachers and preachers of God's Word!