

# Grace Christian Fellowship

## January 2026 - Newsletter



### Welcome to January

Hi everyone, Happy New Year! I hope you all had a good Christmas, and joyful New Year celebrations. It's always interesting at the start of a new year, as we remember the past and look forward to the year ahead. We can ask ourselves *'What did we do for/with God last year and how will that change this year?'* I'm sure you all had some great testimonies of faith. Standing and believing isn't always easy and our prayers often feel as if we are praying in the dark with little hope of them being answered. Psalm 142 tells us that David prayed in a cave.

*<sup>1</sup> I cry aloud to the Lord;  
I lift up my voice to the Lord for mercy.  
<sup>2</sup> I pour out before him my complaint;  
before him I tell my trouble.*

*This is what Spurgeon says 'A prayer when David was in the cave. The caves have heard the best prayers. Some birds sing best in cages. I have heard that some of God's people shine brightest in the dark. There is many an heir of Heaven who never prays so well as when he is driven by necessity to pray. Some shall sing aloud upon their beds of sickness, whose voices were hardly heard when they were well. And some shall sing God's high praises in the fire, who did not praise Him as they should before the trial came. In the furnace of affliction the saints are often seen at their best! If any of you tonight are in dark and gloomy positions—if your souls are bowed down within you—may this become a special time for peculiarly prevalent communion and intercession! And may the prayer of the cave be the very best of your prayers!'*

Keep on praying and crying out to God, even if its in a cave! Serena x

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## Meetings/Programme

**Church Service** - every Sunday 11am at Saints Event Venue  
**Communion Service** - first Sunday in the month  
**Prayer Meeting** - 10am before service at SEV / first Sunday of the month  
**Charity Offering** - third Sunday in the month  
**Nicky sermon** - Nicky usually preaches on the last Sunday of the month

## Forthcoming Events / Church Programme 2025

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Jan - New Year's Service  
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb - Valentine's Day Service  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb - Church service with pancakes  
Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Mar - Palm Sunday Service  
Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> Apr - Easter Sunday Service  
Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> Aug - Church Day Out?  
Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Sep - Harvest Festival Service  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Oct - Church Birthday/Macmillan Coffee Morning  
Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov - Service with Fireworks  
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Nov - Remembrance Sunday  
Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec - Christmas meal  
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec - Carol Service

If you would like to donate to the church, you can give during the service, donate by bacs, or go to the 'donate' button on the 'Contact' page of the website and make a payment there. If you would like to donate by cheque, please make the cheque out to  
Hope Community Trust.

GCF supports Hope Community Trust India, which is a Christian ministry, run by Pastor Samuel Zion and his wife Nicky. The ministry has a campus in Andhra Pradesh, with a children's home, school and Bible School. Please see the GCF website for further details.

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Sunday Services are held at **Saints Event Venue**,  
217 Yarmouth Road, Norwich, NR7 0SQ from 11am-12.30pm