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## How to find us

### Travelling from Westbury

Take the B3098 towards Bratton, Edington and Devizes. Leaving the town you will pass the White Horse on your right. Bratton is approximately 3 miles from Westbury. Upon entering the village take the 3rd left into Carpenters Lane. The Church is at the bottom of Carpenters Lane and there is parking in front of the building.

### Travelling from West Lavington

Take the B3098 towards Westbury. You will pass through the villages of Erlestoke and Edington. Upon entering the village take the 2nd right into Carpenters Lane. The Church is at the bottom of Carpenters Lane and there is parking in front of the building.

# Welcome to Bratton Baptist Church

**Any questions?** Just call or email or come along to one of our services. We'd be happy to chat, and you will be assured of a warm welcome.



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## What is Bratton Baptist Church?

You might be surprised to hear it's not the building, that's just where we meet, but a group of people of all ages living in Bratton and the surrounding area who have FAITH that what Jesus Christ taught is not only true, but has the power to transform everyone's lives for the better. We believe that what He said about Himself was also true, that He is the son of God, and we are DEVOTED to living out the kind of life only He can offer.

## What do we do?

Our faith and devotion is demonstrated in a number of ways:

- A devotion to worship God, the 'Father' that Jesus taught us about
- A devotion to helping and supporting one another
- A devotion to helping others, both locally and further afield

Our mission is about loving God, loving others, and to show everyone how to live out the kind of life Jesus described, something which has nothing to do with following a set of rules, and everything to do with relationships, most importantly with Jesus himself.

We meet at the church each Sunday morning at 11am and evening at 6.30pm, and smaller groups meet in homes during the week to share, care, pray together and to learn more from the Bible.

There are a range of separate activities for young people in the age groups 0-1 (Crèche), 1-4 (Sparklers), 5-8 (Rockets), 9-10 (X-Stream), 11-13 (Trans-Fusion), 14-16 (Fusion) and 16-18 (BYOB). We also run a very well attended children's club called Comets once a month on a Friday, and some of us are involved in running a popular youth club in the Jubilee Hall. We have close links with Bratton Primary School.

We also have a weekly 'coffee time' on Tuesday mornings as well as occasional Fairtrade Coffee Mornings, a group for our more mature members (2Es lunch club) and some of our members regularly meet with residents at the Clover Grass Court sheltered housing scheme.



## What about you?

We believe that when Jesus said "I am the way, the truth and life" he was right, and that real fulfilment in life can only come by following him. Without that we will always be searching for something, whether it be spiritual, material or just thrills, and finding it is never quite enough.

### A challenge for you:

Have a look in the Bible at what Jesus actually said, and see if you can disagree that if we all followed this to the full it would transform people's lives, and this world, for the better. Look at any of the Bible's four gospels written by Matthew, Mark, Luke or John to do this (Mark is the shortest and easiest to interpret).

## Our wider links

**Nepal:** We support Karen Baxter who manages the International Nepal Fellowship's Jumla programme in the Mid-Western region of Nepal focusing on strengthening health services and working with marginalised communities. [www.inf.org](http://www.inf.org).

**Indonesia:** We support Carrie Beckley as she works with Wycliffe Bible Translators in Ambon, Maluku, Indonesia. She has worked there for the last 21 years and has a particular heart for the people of Yalahatan on the island of Seram. [www.wycliffe.org.uk](http://www.wycliffe.org.uk).

**Malawi:** We support a charity called FOMO (Friends of Mulanje Orphans) which support over 5,000 orphans in the Mulanje district of Malawi. A number of our members have visited FOMO in Malawi and, amongst other things, we have supported the building of a new centre and the provision of 3 new boreholes to supply fresh water to FOMO centres. [www.fomo.co.uk](http://www.fomo.co.uk).

These are just a few of the many contacts and works we are connected with including Bulgaria, Asher in India, Egypt, and EDTAF a charity supporting the education of people in Kenya that was founded by one of our own young people. [www.edtaf.org](http://www.edtaf.org).



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