

## What's On At MCF This Week

### **Monday:**

- 9.45am: Toddler Group  
2,15pm: Painted Fabrics Core Community  
5.15pm: Impact  
7.00pm: Zumba Class

### **Tuesday:**

- 10.00am: Drop-in & Foodbank  
12.00noon: Meet & Eat  
7.00pm: Tuesday Night Youth  
7.30pm: Ranmoor Core Community

### **Wednesday:**

- 10.30am: Painted Fabrics Coffee Morning  
1.30pm: Jordanthorpe/Batemoor Daytime Core Community  
2.00pm: White Willows Service  
6.30pm: Batemoor Core Community—Unit 2

### **Thursday:**

- 7.00am: Morning prayer meeting  
9.30am: Pilates Class—Unit 2  
10.00am: Drop-in  
No Parish Nursing  
11.00am: English Language Group  
12.30pm: No Chairobics  
7.00pm: Thursday Evening Drop In  
7.15pm: Beauchief and Greenhill Core Community  
7.30pm: Jordanthorpe Evening Core Community  
8.00pm: Norton, Norton Lees and S17 Core Communities

### **Saturday:**

- 7.30am: Men's prayer breakfast at 86 Hemper Lane.

### **Contacting Us Mid-week:**

If you need to get in touch with us during the week, you can call in to the drop-ins or use any of these:

Email: [office@mcfchurch.co.uk](mailto:office@mcfchurch.co.uk)  
Web: [www.mcfchurch.co.uk](http://www.mcfchurch.co.uk)  
Tel: 0114 237 5700.

### **POCM:**

The latest newsletter from Chrissy Perillo and the POCM team in the Philippines is in the foyer.

Chrissy is speaking at MCF on Sunday 8th July when the Missions Offering will also be for the work of POCM.

### **Kids' Socials:**

These two socials are for Kids' Club, MCF Youth and their families:

1. Picnic at Graves Park straight after the service today, 1<sup>st</sup> July.
2. There is a BBQ at a home in Norton at 1pm on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August.

Further details from Vanessa Allsop or e-mail [news@mcfchurch.co.uk](mailto:news@mcfchurch.co.uk).

### **MCF Working Overseas:**

- \* Olivia Butters is in Malawi undertaking safe water projects;
- \* Graham & Steph Reed are working in Sachibondu, Zambia. Among other things, they are involved in building a hospital. Click [here](#) for a link to the website;

Hannah Hilson is teaching English in South Korea.

### **Long Sermons?:**

One Sunday morning, a pastor announced to his congregation: 'Friends, I have here in my hands three sermons: a £100 sermon that lasts five minutes, a £50 sermon that lasts fifteen minutes and a £10 sermon that lasts a full hour. 'Now, we'll take the offering and see which one I'll deliver.'

### **Weekly News Next Week:**

Contributions by 6.00pm Wednesday evening please to [news@mcfchurch.co.uk](mailto:news@mcfchurch.co.uk).

Please don't use other e-mails or the notice may be missed.

## *Meadowhead Christian Fellowship*

Encountering God;

Getting Involved;

Transforming Communities;

Living Generously



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## *MCF Weekly News 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018*

Don't copy the behaviour and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

Romans 12: 2 (New Living Translation)

### **Welcome to Meadowhead Christian Fellowship**

#### **Visitors:**

If you are a visitor today we want to give you a special welcome as we worship God together. We hope you feel at home and please stay to chat with us over a drink after the service. The service usually finishes about 11.45am.

#### **Visitors with Children:**

The children and youth leave for their own sessions at 10.30am or soon after. Kid's Club and Youth meet in another building. It's less than ½ minute away but would visitors with children please meet the leaders in the lobby when the kids go out so you know where they are and to confirm the arrangements for collecting them.

#### **Now:**

There is a prayer time in the Quiet Room at the back of the building from 9:30am – 9:55am. Everyone is welcome to join in at any time.

#### **This Morning:**

Graham Ince is leading and Chris Simpson is speaking from Luke 12: 13-34—the Parable of the Rich Fool. We will be Breaking Bread together.

Naomi and Aaron Hilson will be selling cakes after the service to raise money for their missionary trip to Africa with Aiden Lugg in August.

#### **Lunchtime:**

There is a picnic in Graves Park immediately after the service for kids, youth and their families. More information from Vanessa Allsop.

#### **This Evening:**

There is a prayer meeting in Unit 2 at 7.00pm

#### **Out & About:**

Ray Booth is at Living Waters Fellowship, Darnall; Steve Bodey is speaking at Todmorden this afternoon.

#### **Next Sunday:**

Jonathan Dunning is leading and Chrissy Perillo from Philippine Outreach Centre Ministries (POCM) is speaking. The Missions Offering will be for POCM.

Songs of Praise at Painted Fabrics is in the afternoon.

## **MCF Holiday Club: The Amazing Adventure!**

**Monday 23rd - Friday 27th July**

**Booking forms are now available!** Holiday Club is for children who will be aged 5-11 (on 31 August 2018) - we have a great time and look forward to seeing your children if they can make it. Please see Pete, Jill or Steve for a form if you need one!

It's not too late to volunteer to help out at this years 'amazing event' - please see Pete or Jill for more details. Note - there aren't many 'youth' spaces left!

We need any old map books/OS maps/atlasses - if anyone has any they don't need we will take them off your hands!

We also need small plastic drinks bottles (500ml or less). It would be great if they could be washed and the label removed. If you could bring them to unit 3 at the end of June that would be great. We will recycle anything unused! Thanks, Jill

## **Community Bible Study:**

Come and join our group for fellowship and an in depth bible study. We are a group of Christians from local churches who meet at Unit 3 on a Friday in term time. This year we are studying Amos and Isaiah and we will start on 7<sup>th</sup> September from 1pm - 2.30pm. If you want to find out more about CBS visit the website at [cbsuk.org](http://cbsuk.org), or contact Merle Banner at [merlebanner@gmail.com](mailto:merlebanner@gmail.com). Looking forward to seeing you.

Thanks, Merle

## **Chaplaincy Training**

This 1-day training on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September, 10am – 4pm covers:

**History of Chaplaincy:** An overview of the origin of Chaplaincy and its development in the UK & South Yorkshire.

**What is Chaplaincy?:** Exploring different definitions of Chaplaincy and the varied environments in which a Chaplain may find themselves working.

**The role of a Chaplain:** Look at events, crisis ministry and meeting the need of the moment, considering the different activities and care a Chaplain may provide.

**Qualities of a Chaplain:** What skills, qualities and characteristics does a Chaplain need and how do we develop them?

**Theology of Chaplaincy:** The difference between Spirituality and Religion and an overview of Christian theology of Chaplaincy care.

**Practical Preparations:** Practicalities of visiting an organisation within different contexts, holding conversations & note-taking.

The sessions include opportunities to ask questions, look at case studies and scenarios and explore some of the issues together. There is also opportunity to consider whether Chaplaincy is the right route for you.

All delivered by South Yorkshire Chaplaincy & Listening Service trainers. Chris Booth can tell you about his experience as a chaplain.

Email: [sheffieldlistening@gmail.com](mailto:sheffieldlistening@gmail.com) to book a place.

## **Thank You**

Thanks to everyone who helped to make the Party on the Precinct last Sunday such a great, successful event.

Loads of local people came and they seemed to love it!

## **Parish Nursing drop-in, Healthy Lunch Chairobics, Pilates and Zumba - Dates for July:**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July No Parish Nursing or Chairobics

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July No Zumba

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July Yes there will be Parish Nursing  
No Healthy Lunch, Chairobics or Pilates

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July Yes for Parish Nursing, Healthy Lunch & Chairobics

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> July Yes for Parish Nursing and Chairobics **Note: it's at the Library today.**

**Please note there will be no Parish Nursing drop-in, healthy lunch or Chairobics in August but these will re-start again on Thursday**

## **Amazing Agents Of God Series of Books from Andy Robb – for Children between 7 and 11:**

The Bible is full of amazing people who undertake awesome assignments from God – just like special agents. Andy Robb uses his unique story-telling style to portray Bible characters such as Abraham, Daniel, Ruth, Paul and Priscilla as agents on a mission from God.

In reading the agents' reports, these men and women from the Bible come to life as inspiring and exciting role models. Andy Robb taps into the desire for many young people to hear about courageous people who made a difference.

This series aims to ignite curiosity about Old and New Testament characters, why they accepted their missions, how it led to amazing adventures and a deeper faith in their boss (God). Offer price £4.99 RRP £5.99. Click to ***Shop Now*** at the CLC website.

## **MPs urged to embrace religious freedom at National Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast:**

On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June, more than 170 MPs – including the Prime Minister and Cabinet Ministers – Peers, Ambassadors and church leaders from across the UK gathered in Westminster Hall in the Palace of Westminster for the 2018 National Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast. Rev Dr Tim Keller spoke on the topic "What can Christianity offer our society in the 21<sup>st</sup> century?", and urged Christians not to lose their saltiness. Addressing Christians directly, Rev Keller said: "*Christians, you're only going to be of benefit to society if you stay different, if you don't become like society, if you stay self-sacrificers and self-givers.*" and he called for British Society to respect Christians' difference in order to get the best that Christians have to offer to society.

You can ***watch and read Rev Keller's address in full here.***