

## What's On At MCF This Week

### **Monday:**

9.45am: Toddler Group  
5.15pm: Impact  
7.00pm: Zumba Class

### **Tuesday:**

10.00am: Drop-in, Foodbank & Citizen's Advice  
12.00noon: Meet & Eat  
7.00pm: Tuesday Night Youth  
Freedom in Christ course  
7.30pm: Drop In Church (Unit 2)  
Ranmoor Core Community

### **Wednesday:**

10.30am: Painted Fabrics Coffee Morning  
1.30pm: Jordanthorpe/Batemoor Daytime Core Community  
2.00pm: White Willows Service  
6.00pm: Batemoor Core Community—Unit 2

### **Thursday:**

7.00am: Prayer meeting—Unit 2  
10.00am: Drop-in  
Parish Nursing  
11.00am: English Language Group  
12.30pm: Chair Aerobics  
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

### **Friday:**

12.45pm: Community Bible Study

### **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.

## **Looking Ahead:**

- \* **Women's Conference:** At the Spires Centre, Arbourthorne with Erica Lugg on 17th March;
- \* **Impact:** Easter Impact special is on 9<sup>th</sup> April;
- \* **MCF Week of Prayer:** This will be from 8<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> April. Most small group activities will be cancelled;
- \* **Holiday Club:** The Summer holiday club is from 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> July;
- \* **Church on the Precinct:** On 24th June we will be having the service outside on the precinct and putting on fun activities for the local community.

## **MCF Overseas:**

- \* Olivia Butters is in Malawi undertaking safe water projects with Fisherman's Rest. You can find out more about Fisherman's Rest [here](#), although Olivia is not specifically mentioned;
- \* 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 of the organisation doing the building project;
- \* Hannah Hilson is teaching English in South Korea.

## **Weekly News Next Week:**

Contributions by Wednesday evening please to [news@mcfchurch.co.uk](mailto:news@mcfchurch.co.uk). Please don't use a personal e-mail.

## **The MCF Website:**

To use the hyperlinks in Weekly News view an electronic copy on the MCF website at:

<http://www.mcfchurch.co.uk/weekly-news>.

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## *Meadowhead Christian Fellowship*

Encountering God;

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## *MCF Weekly News 25<sup>th</sup> February 2018*

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

## **Welcome to Meadowhead Christian Fellowship**

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 know the presence of God. Please stay to chat with us over a drink after the service.

The children and youth leave for their own sessions at 10.30am or soon after. The service usually finishes about 11.45am.

### **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:**

Andy Hollingum is speaking from Luke 8:40-56—A dead girl and a sick woman.

### **Out & About:**

Ray Booth is speaking at Charis Church.

### **Next Sunday:**

Jonathan Dunning is speaking from Luke 9: 1-17—Sending out the 12 and feeding the 5000.

We will be Breaking Bread together and praying with the team going to the Philippines.

The youth are away for the weekend at Whiteley Wood from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup>. There are 18 young people going and 6 leaders. Please pray that they will encounter God and also for a safe fun time.

## **Ladies Curry night—5<sup>th</sup> March:**

Calling all ladies – young and old (and anywhere in between). You are invited to join us at the Kashmiri Aroma (in Woodseats) on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm for a relaxing evening - and a curry!

Feel free to bring your friends.

If you would like to come please let Jill Bodey or Helen Bellamy know by **28<sup>th</sup> February.**

(PS The cost of the (unlimited) buffet is £14.50 not including drinks.)

### **MCF Women—Conference 17<sup>th</sup> March:**

The women's conference is on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March at the Spires Centre, 600 East Bank Road, Arbourthorne, Sheffield S2 2AN from 9.30am to 2.00pm. Leaflets are available from Janet Shaddock and Linda Beal. The cost is £10.00 including lunch and drinks. Please book in asap with Janet or Linda.

Erica Lugg, Aiden's Mum, one of the key leaders at Mexborough Life Church, will be speaking on "Life is a Promise".

Erica was born in Ghana and lived there until she was 13. She visits Zambia regularly to oversee a charity and, with her husband Nick, still supports the many churches they planted there.

### **Free Health Event Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March:**

There will be lots of stalls and activities at this FREE health event on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March from 11.00am to 2.00pm at Unit 3.

There's FREE lunch and raffle!

Kate Booth is running a Parish Nursing stall for blood pressure checks etc....

### **Baptism Service 6<sup>th</sup> May:**

We are having a baptism service on 6<sup>th</sup> May.

According to the New Testament, all Christians should be baptised once they have decided to follow Jesus, it's a very important step in our Christian life.

Please see Jonathan Dunning, Andy Hollingum, Roland Panek or Graham Ince if you would like to find out more about baptism.

### **Cricket:**

Last year some folk from MCF went to a couple of T20 cricket matches in Chesterfield and Leeds and had a very enjoyable time.

Please let Dillon Butters know asap if you would be interested in going to see:

Derbyshire against Yorkshire on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> July at Queens Park, Chesterfield starting at 2.30 pm; and/or

Lancashire against Yorkshire at Headingley, Leeds on Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> August 2018 starting at 7.00 pm.

Dillon will then investigate ticket prices. Friends are welcome.

### **Retired or Approaching Retirement?**

Then follow this link for an exciting new initiative from CARE called "AfterWorkNet: Click [here](#).

AfterWorkNet will grow into an interactive community – especially through the Facebook group - where you can tap into the conversations and wisdom of others, raise questions and make contributions of your own. So if you are retired, or almost there, do join the [Facebook group](#).

### **Olivia Butters:**

Olivia's latest newsletter is in the foyer. It doesn't include information about her recent accident so the text from her covering e-mail, which does include the accident, is given below:

"Firstly I want to thank so many of you for your prayers and support. Looking back over my prayer requests in my newsletters it has been amazing to see areas of my life where God has been answering them. As some of you may have heard, last Saturday I was involved in a car accident. A vehicle driving on the other side of the road to me hit a pedestrian knocking him into the path of my vehicle, and shattering my windscreen. Fortunately I was not injured and by God's grace I was only a one minute drive away from the local hospital where I took the injured pedestrian. My memory of the incident is a little blurry and so I was very blessed to have picked up two honest eye witnesses who had captured the registration plate of the other driver who had hit and run. The man hit by both vehicles has now been discharged from hospital with nothing but a few bruises.

Obviously I was and still am very shaken from the experience but I have been informed by the police that they consider me to be an innocent party. Your prayers for me have clearly been answered and God's hand has protected me from what could have been a very different outcome. I know a lot of you have prayed for safety on the roads and this incident has really brought home to me how quickly life can be taken when accidents occur. I would be very grateful if you can be praying for a sense of peace about the situation and a heart of thankfulness that no one was seriously injured or killed.

The support network both at work and friends has been incredible and my Malawian "parents" took me in for the weekend and accompanied me both in the police station and hospital.

A huge thank you again for your kind messages, prayers and support. They are a real encouragement.

Love, Olivia

### **The Noticeboard in Unit 3:**

At long last the big noticeboard near the windows in Unit 3 is being developed for the purpose for which it was intended—information about the leaders at MCF so visitors and new people know who to speak to. We are very grateful to Sheila Wingrove for taking on this task.

If you need to display something in Unit 3 please ask Steve Bodey about the appropriate place. We are looking at how information is displayed in general but Steve is your best point of contact for the immediate future.

### **Catering Teams Still Needed:**

We still need volunteers to help with organising catering at events such as bring and share meals.

Please see Karen Ince or e-mail her at [karen.ince1@gmail.com](mailto:karen.ince1@gmail.com) if you are willing to help.