#### 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

12.00noon: Meet & Eat

7.00pm: Tuesday Night Youth
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: There is no early morning

prayer meeting until 5th April

10.00am: Drop-in

Parish Nursing

11.00am: English Language Group

12.30pm: Chair Aerobics

3.00pm: John Scaife's funeral

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:

10.30am: Good Friday Service

**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
Web: www.mcfchurch.co.uk
Tel: 0114 237 5700.

### **Graham & Steph Reed:**

"Reed All About It", the latest news from Graham & Steph Reed in Sachibondu, Zambia, is in the foyer. Although it is dated February 2017 it is actually March 2018—cut & paste strikes again!!

#### **MCF Overseas:**

- Mike Thompson and Carl Edmands, are in the Philippines with Chrissy Perillo and the POCM team;
- 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.

Please pray for all of them as they serve God in different parts of the world.

#### **Billy Graham Quote:**

God proved His love on the Cross. When Christ hung, and bled, and died, it was God saying to the world, 'I love you.'

# **Weekly News Next Week:**

Contributions by Wednesday evening please to <a href="mailto:news@mcfchurch.co.uk">news@mcfchurch.co.uk</a>. Please don't use a personal e-mail.

#### The MCF Website:

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

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

# Meadowhead Christian Fellowship

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When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals – one on his right, the other on his left. Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.'

Luke 23: 33-34

# **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 leading and Neill Wilson is speaking from Luke 9:28-45, The Transfiguration & healing a boy with an evil spirit. This is the passage we were due to look at last Sunday. John Raby will now be speaking on 22nd April.

#### Out and About

Ray Booth is at Living Waters Christian Fellowship, Darnall; Mike Thompson and Carl Edmands are in the Philippines with Chrissy Perillo and the POCM team.

#### **Next Sunday:**

It's an Easter celebration and we have an all age service with John & Maria O'Brien speaking.



#### **Good Friday at MCF**

A 1 hour reflective service with communion starting at 10.30 am

Several people will be sharing about some of the people around the cross when Jesus was crucified

# **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.

#### **Prayer for the Philippines Team:**

Please continue to pray for Mike Thompson and Carl Edmands in the Philippines. They touch down in Manchester on Thursday 29th March at 7:50a.m.

#### John Scaife:

John Scaife's funeral will be on Thursday 29th March. There will be a short committal at Hutcliffe Wood Crematorium at 2.00pm followed by a celebration of his life at MCF, Unit 3, at 3.00pm.

There will be family flowers only but donations can be made to St Luke's Hospice.

Please continue to pray for Grace at this time of bereavement and loss.

<u>Help with catering</u>: Please sign up today if you can help with baking cakes, preparing sandwiches and other food on Thursday morning and serving refreshments after the service. Alternatively, you can e-mail **karen.ince1@amail.com**.

# **Harry Sharpe:**

Harry Sharpe has been involved with MCF for some years, more recently through the Wednesday service at White Willows. Sadly, Harry passed away on Thursday 1st March.

His funeral will take place on Monday 26th March at Abbey Lane Chapel at 2.30pm followed by a committal at the graveside. After the service, the family are gathering at the Hilton Double Tree and all are welcome to join them.

### The Real Easter Egg:

The Real Easter Egg range uses Fairtrade chocolate and also includes the Easter story in the box. You can find out about the range at <a href="https://www.realeasteregg.co.uk">www.realeasteregg.co.uk</a> and you can also buy from that site. Even better, you can get it from the CLC shop in West Street or, if you can't make it into town, from Tesco, Waitrose, Morrisons and Asda.

#### MCF E-mail List:

If you would like to receive Weekly News, prayer requests and other information electronically please speak to Heather Butters or send your e-mail address to **news@mcfchurch.co.uk**.

#### MCF Week of Prayer:

The MCF Week of Prayer will be from 8th to 15th April. There will be opportunities to pray at Unit 2/3 every day and we are asking people to meet in groups of 3 or 4 to pray together where ever it is convenient on Wednesday 11th. Most small group activities will be cancelled.

A leaflet with the full programme will be available shortly.

#### The Story of Painted Fabrics Ltd 1915-1959:

There is an exhibition from Thursday 31st March to Tuesday 17th April discovering the origins and development of the Painted Fabrics Company.

The exhibition is at the The Art House, 8 Backfields, Sheffield, S1 4HJ.

Although today Painted Fabrics is a sheltered accommodation block where MCF holds services and coffee mornings, originally it was a rehabilitation centre for injured servicemen.

#### **The Cross Outside City Hall:**

During Holy Week , this has become an annual event organised by the City Centre Churches providing an opportunity for the people of Sheffield to engage in the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. The point of this activity is to collect people's prayers and not to overtly evangelize. But if an opportunity arises though their questions we can share about our faith . There are Gospels available to hand out too. The churches have a great relationship with the council who fully support the event.

There will also be services at the cross.

Click **here** if you would like to sign up to help.

#### Holiday Club at Easter on 9th April:

We are planning a 'one day' Holiday Club in the Easter holidays on Monday 9 April. More details will follow but the day will include stories, games, crafts, songs, quizzes, prizes and other fun stuff.

If you are able to help out on that Monday (from around 9am until 4pm) please can you let Jill or Pete know by today, Sunday 18th March.

# **Looking Ahead:**

- 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;
- Civic event at Unit 3: May 24th —inviting local MP and councillors, police, NHS organisations and others to see what MCF provides to the local community and to explore options for working together in the future.
- 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.
- Holiday Club: The Summer holiday club is from 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> July.