

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

The MCF Website:

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

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

Then use these links:

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Looking Ahead:

- * Easter Impact special: 9th April
- * Summer holiday club: 23rd-27th July

Parish Nursing:

The Parish Nursing Drop-in is now every Thursday morning from 10.00am at Unit 3.

On the 2nd Thursday of the month after the Drop-in clinic, Parish Nursing will provide a free healthy light lunch before Chairobics at 12.30 pm with a question and answer health discussion.

Sunday Fellowship Lunch:

The next Sunday Fellowship Lunch will be on 18th February, there isn't one in January.

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 returned to work in Sachibondu, Zambia, on 17th January. 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. Please don't use a personal e-mail.

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:

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Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade.

1 Peter 1:3-4

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:

Jonathan Dunning is leading and Rick Lewis is our guest speaker. Rick is from Sydney, Australia and he is a good friend of MCF. Rick provides advice and guidance to the Elders of MCF.

This Evening:

There is a meeting for all MCF leaders at 7.00pm in Unit 3.

Out & About:

Kathryn Wilson is speaking at Lansdowne Chapel;

Next Sunday:

Jonathan Dunning is speaking from Luke 8: 1-15, The parable of the sower.

There is a prayer meeting at 7.00pm in Unit 2.

Church Meeting Thursday 15th February

There will be a meeting for everyone who attends MCF on Thursday 15th February at 8.00pm at Unit 3. One of the main topics will be the next steps on the building extension.

Core Communities are cancelled on that date.

MCF Week of Prayer 8th to 15th April:

We have another MCF Week of Prayer from Sunday 8th to Sunday 15th April. It will follow a similar format to the Week of Prayer last September and most small group activities will be cancelled. Please note the dates.

Short Term Service Opportunities:

The 2018 edition of SERVE short-term is now available from Global Connections. It includes a comprehensive listing of short-term mission opportunities - gap year programmes, career breaks, church mission trips, summer teams, tailor-made opportunities and more - for all ages, individuals, couples and families.

The user-friendly, easy-search format allows opportunities included in the magazine to also be searched online where much more detailed information on each programme can be explored.

Click [here](#) if you would like a copy.

MCF Women:

- * There is a Women's breakfast on Saturday 3rd February when Katy Lee will be sharing. Venue to be confirmed but book the date now.
- * Week commencing 14th March there will be a visit to Painted Pots in Greenhill. Expressions of interest are needed now so we can decide on the best night. Please see Janet Shaddock or Linda Beal to express your preference.

Baz & Linda Gascoyne:

The Star is doing a double feature on Baz & Linda next Wednesday, including full coverage on South Yorkshire Chaplaincy & Listening Services (SYCLS) - who they are, what they do etc, plus their logo, 4 or 5 photos and contact details.

Jonathan and Chris Booth are both on the Trustee Board of SYCLS.

Drop In Church:

Please pray for the Drop In Church in Unit 2 at 7.30 on Tuesday evenings which is for the people who go to the Thursday Night Drop In. Also please pray for Phil France & the team.

CLC Bookshops - sale & stocktaking:

CLC Bookshops biggest ever sale has loads of bargains at up to 75% off. Stock is still being added to the sale, but many items are single copies. Sale items include Bibles, CDs, gift items... everything! And even used books under £10 are half price. Don't miss out!!

Note that due to stocktaking on Wednesday 31st January, the shop is open from 9.00 to 2.00pm only. The sale continues as usual after stocktaking.

CLC Bookshops, 103 West Street, S1 4EQ; T: 0114 2724663
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Hilson's Continued Quest to Africa:

Firstly, Thank you to those who have supported us so far. Our sponsored swim in December went well and now it's time for our bike ride.

We are hoping to do this on Sat 3rd February, it will start from our home and we will bike along the Sheffield canal route which starts at the city centre to Meadowhall and return. This is about 10 miles in all. Any sponsorship/gifts will be welcomed towards the cost of our mission trip to Africa with Dare2Dream in August. God Bless,

Naomi and Aaron

Geoff & Pauline Williams write:

"The visit to The Fracture Clinic, resulted in the consultant telling Geoff that they would remove the plaster cast as the injured ball in the shoulder was healing. Although it would take possibly a whole year before one would have full use of the arm, they are now of the opinion not to operate, Hallelujah!

The consultant was a Tamil gentleman from Chennai, who knew of our CLC/ELS shop in the city.

We next visited the Physio Department and Geoff was introduced to three simple exercises, to do frequently each day, to help the shoulder/arm to full mobility, PTL. It's a great relief to have the plaster off, and looking forward to a shower!

Pauline has made good progress, and with help from grand-daughter Abbie, made a shopping trip to Sainsbury's. Walking better, with reduced pain, but still needing rest and painkillers. Thank you for continued prayer.

Finally, grateful thanks to the Lord and his people, for all the practical help including meals shopping etc., all deeply appreciated. Praise the Lord,
Geoff and Pauline"

Where Is It Most Dangerous To Be A Christian?

Open Doors recently launched the [2018 World Watch List](#), their annual ranking of the 50 countries where Christians face the most extreme persecution.

Christians from many of the countries on the list are risking everything to follow Jesus - even their lives. And yet, they believe that He is worth the risk. Their faith tells us something about the God that we serve - that He is truly the 'pearl of great price' (Matthew 13:46).

The World Watch List helps us to see where our persecuted church family are in most need of our prayers and support. Click these links to find out how you can [pray](#) and [give](#).

You can also use [this short video](#) to inspire your prayers for our church family in the five countries where Christians face the most extreme persecution.

North Korea is still the most dangerous place in the world to be a Christian. And yet, the church there is growing. Read the stories of North Korean Christians [Hannah](#) and [Kim](#).