

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
- 7.00pm: Tuesday Night Youth
- 7.30pm: Ranmoor Core Community

Wednesday:

- 10.30am: Painted Fabrics Coffee Morning
- 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
- 1.30pm: Jordanthorpe/Batemoor Daytime Core Community
- 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

Prayer on the Precinct starts again on 27th January and will then be every 2 weeks.

Weekly News Next Week:

Contributions by Wednesday evening please to news@mcfchurch.co.uk. Please use this e-mail address because the item may be missed if you use a personal e-mail.

The Following Newsletters are in the Foyer:

- * Reed All About It from Graham & Steph Reed;
- * Highlights from Hannah Hilson. (You can also follow Hannah on her Facebook page [here](#))
- * Malawi December 2017 from Olivia Butters—There was no opportunity to circulate this before Christmas.

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 return to work in Sachibondu, Zambia, on 17th January. Among other things, they are involved in building a hospital. For more information see their newsletter in the foyer and you can click [here](#) for a link to the website of the organisation doing the building project;
- * Hannah Hilson is teaching English in South Korea.

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.

The MCF Website:

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Meadowhead Christian Fellowship

Encountering God;

Transforming Communities;

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For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. Jeremiah 29: 11-13

Happy New Year

and

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 Andy Hollingum is speaking from Luke 7:18-35 - Jesus and John the Baptist. We are Breaking Bread together.

This Evening:

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

Next Sunday:

We are looking at Luke 7:36-50, Jesus anointed by a Sinful Woman, and we are receiving the missions offering.

New Year Quotes

- * *Instead of making a New Year's resolution consider committing to a biblical solution* -Mary Fairchild
- * *Renewal is rooted in faith, not in resolutions! They are made for the New Year and forgotten on average thirteen days later, say the surveys. Faith is the result of a decision about Christ. I cannot make a new me or a new you, but Christ can make you new and me new, as well, if we decide for Him.* -Frank Harrington

Thanks for Help in 2017 and Over Christmas:

Just before Christmas Day Jonathan Dunning wrote:

"I just wanted to send you a quick email to say a BIG thankyou for all your hard work and support in 2017 in helping to make MCF what it is, and to wish you and yours a very Happy Christmas.

The problem I face in sending this is that it just scratches the surface of the very many volunteers and workers at MCF. Lets celebrate a wonderful team of committed people serving one another and the community in often very sacrificial ways. I'm sure none of us take this for granted whether at Unit2, unit3, white Willows, Painted Fabrics or the Library.

This Christmas we have reached out to more people than ever with events in schools, pubs, sheltered accommodation, the open air as well as our own buildings. We've served meals, sang songs, shared gifts and food with many people and also raised funds for Homeless and Rootless at Christmas in Sheffield, Open Hands Charity in Sheffield and POCM in the Philippines. And as I write its not over yet with people involved in 3 more events on Christmas Day.

As a dear beloved saint I knew in my Holybush days would have said, "Isn't Jesus wonderful"

God bless us everyone, Jonathan

Carpets at Unit 3:

The carpets at Unit 3 were deep cleaned on Saturday 6th January. Can we please ask people to clean up anything they drop, especially biscuit on a Sunday morning, as soon as possible, otherwise it gets trodden in and ruins the carpet.

A dustpan and brush is available in the kitchen so you only need to ask the people serving behind the hatch. Many thanks.

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.

Parish Nursing:

The Parish Nursing Drop-in will recommence on Thursday 11th January, and will be weekly from then on. On the 2nd Thursday of the month after the Drop-in clinic, Parish Nursing will provide a free healthy light lunch before Chairotics at 12.30 pm with a question and answer health discussion.

Men's Prayer Breakfast:

Chris Simpson says that the men's prayer meeting continues to prosper and serve each Saturday morning - come rain or shine. Attendance is generally around 7-10 and meetings continued throughout December.

The prayer breakfast is at Alan Parrett's house, 76 Hemper Lane, every Saturday at 7.30am. Speak to Alan if you would like to know more.

Freedom in Christ:

Two Freedom in Christ courses, a day time one and an evening course, will be starting shortly, probably the week of the 15th January. They should finish 2 weeks before Good Friday.

If you are interested in attending a course, or in finding out more, please speak to Cindy Irving on 07904 753767 .

People who do not attend MCF are also very welcome.

Click [here](#) for a short video and much more information about the course.

MCF Offerings Over Christmas:

The offering at the Carol Service on 17th December came to £429.60 and this was divided equally between Chrissy Perillo's work with POCM in the Philippines and Open Hands, a local charity providing accommodation for refugees in the S8 area.

The carol singing in 3 pubs raised £203 and the pub owner matched this making a total of £406 for Homeless and Rootless at Christmas (HARC).

Sunday Morning Opening Up—More Help Needed:

We have an excellent team of volunteers who set out and put away the chairs on a Sunday morning but we could do with a few more people getting involved. It means being at Unit 3 about 9.00am about 6 times a year.

The more people involved the lighter the load for everyone so, if you can help, please let Graham Ince know so you can be added to the next rota which will start soon.

From Roy & Jenny Ramble

Our dear MCF family,
Another historic step for Rajministries!! As we take another step by faith and dedicate the boys home we praise our loving and faithful God.

We did a marathon travel of four days to Jharkhand and had the dedication of the boys home. It's a very basic structure of bamboo and we have three tribal boys. And there is no bathroom! So we are praying that we can help build a basic bathroom.

It will have to be a "field" job till then !!

