

CHRISTMAS IS COMING.....

CTNA (Christians Together in the Newbury Area) have organised a 'Community Christmas Event' on Christmas Day for about 4 years now. They present Christmas lunch to those who otherwise would have Christmas on their own. CTNA are looking for someone they can 'liaise' with about this, as a new team has already been established to run the event. CTNA just need one person to be on this new team who can be their link to ensure the event remains as a CTNA event, and maintains its Christian focus rather than just being a community lunch. If you think you could be that person to work alongside a team and represent CTNA on the team, then please chat to Mark Broadhurst (who is on the CTNA Executive) for more information. Thanks.

Forward notice of date: CTNA AGM on Monday 29th November, at 7.30 p.m. at Newbury Baptist Church, all welcome.

ANOTHER DATE FOR YOUR DIARY – Saturday September 11th – Newbury churches prayer walk – more details nearer the time!

IMPORTANT: DO YOU WORK WITH CHILDREN / YOUTH / VULNERABLE ADULTS HERE AT KCC?

If yes, you will need to complete a new-style CRB form following the introduction of ISA (Independent Safeguarding Authority). We have so few current / valid checks now that we are asking ALL applicants to renew at this time, please. You will need to bring specific ID with you - please check your email or the list on the Y-Church notice board (special notices). You will be assisted completing your form and may have your ID checked anytime during one of these open drop-in sessions: **Sunday 12th September from 1pm to 3pm or Monday 13th September (7pm - 9pm).**

At these times our KCC Safeguarding team will be on hand to help you, outside of these times you will need to arrange a personal meeting with Elaine (though the idea is that we all attend, please, some time on the Saturday morning or Monday evening). Thank-you! Any questions chat to Otilia, Elaine, Ian or Mark.



Newsletter

KEEP LOVING OTHERS BY RECHARGING EMOTIONALLY

"Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Lovenever fails." 1 Corinthians 13:7-8 (NIV)

You cannot love people the way God loves you without God's power in your life because human love runs out. If you feel that nothing seems to be worth the effort, or life seems to be futile, or you find yourself blaming God for your problems -- "Why did you let this happen to me?" - these are warning signs of spiritual burnout.

1 Timothy 4:8 says: "Take the time and trouble to keep yourself spiritually fit." (Phillips) How do you stay spiritually fit so you can love people? By building habits into your life that keep you spiritually renewed.

A daily quiet time -- *"This is the reason we never lose heart. Our body does suffer wear and tear but every day the inward man receives fresh strength." (2 Corinthians 4:16)* Outwardly our body suffers wear and tear, but inwardly we can be spiritually renewed every day by spending time alone with God. I don't know what could help your life more than to begin the habit of a daily time with God. Start out with just ten minutes a day. Find a place where you can be by yourself - the car, your bedroom or living room, the backyard, even your office. Then pick a book of the Bible and read a chapter a day. Read it, think about what you've read, write some things down. That's a habit that will make a difference and keep you spiritually renewed.

Small group -- A Christian without a small group is an orphan. You need a small group. *"Let us encourage one another daily."* You need to get together in a small group at least weekly where you can share needs and problems, where you care and pray for each other.

Worship - Praising God will renew and rejuvenate you. *Psalms 59 "I will sing of your strength in the morning and I will sing of your love for you are my refuge in times of trouble."* You need that emotional release and that recharging that comes from singing. Put on a Christian tape or CD and sing along and see how God restores your soul.

OFFERINGS FOR SUNDAY 1st August

Amounts banked on 2nd August 2010

9.00am	£12.71	10.30am	£8,222.82	6.30pm	£464.80
TOTAL		£8,700.33		Praise the Lord!	

In preparation for this week's homegroups

please read Luke 10 v 1 – 20. The following week (wc 15th) will be a free week when you can plan your own programme. We will pick up on our studies in Nehemiah after the school holidays have finished so that everyone has the benefit of the full series



If you want to join a homegroup please talk to Ian or Rose.

DETAILS OF OUR HOMEGROUPS CAN BE FOUND ON THE NOTICEBOARD AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Pastor Ian will be on holiday from 12th – 28th August.

For any emergency pastoral needs in the first instance please contact your homegroup leader. If this is not possible please contact one of our deacons or failing that, you can ring Pastor John Richards at the Elim Christian Centre, Lane End, High Wycombe – phone 01484 881999. You could also contact Pastor Billy Fenning at the St. Saviours Christian Centre, Berkeley Avenue, Reading – phone 0118 950 5661



Speakers at services while Ian is away

Sunday 15th August 10.30 am and 6.30 pm - Nigel Butler

Sunday 22nd August am 10.30 am and 6.30 am – Mark Broadhurst

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO 9.00AM SERVICE FOR THE REST OF AUGUST. THIS SERVICE WILL RE-START IN SEPTEMBER.

There will also be NO bible study on Friday 13th August.

Studies will be led by Rose on 20th and 27th August.

Our Administrator, Rose will be on holiday from 9th to 17th August. If there are any urgent admin matters please contact Graeme Stewart on 01635 866942

Thank you!

POLITE NOTICE TO OUR CONGREGATION

If a first aider is attending to a casualty in a service (or at any time), please remain in your seat and pray for the casualty from there. (The good Lord will still hear your prayer!) It makes it difficult for the first aider if they have to start 'crowd control' as 3 or 4 people come over and try to lay hands on the casualty, which may also cause further pain. Our trained first aiders will lay hands on the casualty themselves, after their initial assessment, so please respect the casualty's privacy and help our first aiders in their role by only coming over if the first aider in attendance asks for help. Thank you so much. Our list of First Aiders is displayed at the back (and around) the Church.



CURRENT FIRST AIDERS

It is essential you email Mark Broadhurst a copy of your first aid certificate, or bring it in for us to photocopy. Without this on file you will not be able to serve as a first aider either in our main services or in the youth activity you serve in. A new list of first aiders is being put up 3 September, make sure you are on it! PLEASE help Mark maintain these records by emailing / bringing in your certificate. Thank you.

CALLING NEW FIRST AIDERS!

Would you like to train and serve as a first aider, or just have this life saving knowledge for your family? Mark Broadhurst is running the next 'Heart Start' Emergency Life Saving First Aid Course on Wednesday 18th August 2010. It is only a 2 hour course. There is a daytime and evening workshop, so you may attend whichever suits you best: 1pm - 3pm or 7pm - 9pm (Wed 18.08.10). Just give Mark your name and turn up for this FREE life skill training.

EXCITING ADVANCE NOTICE.....

Day trip on Saturday 2nd October to Caerphilly (South Wales) to help Caerphilly's Elim Church tell their town about Jesus. No experience necessary.

Keep Saturday 2nd October free. Ian will be doing some evangelism teaching on Sunday evenings 12th and 19th September.

For more details see Marion Gardner or call her on 01635 42077