

**Pray this month especially for:**

**Around the Fellowship:**

Mike & Trish Caswell & family, David & Sarah Chalmers, Paul & Terri Clements & family, Alan & Chris Cowley, Bernard & Christine Crabbe

Please also pray for Gemma Parsons and Greg Thomas, who will be married at the Free Church on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February

**Around the Neighbourhood:**

Stockwood Road, Shops & Library, Puxley Close, Beale Close, Meardon Road, Marne Close, Gillebank Close, Binley Grove, Maple Close, Christ the Servant Church

**Prayer Walk** around this area on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February**.

Meet at Linda & Giovanni's, 20 Stockwood Road at 6.30pm

**Lance's Labours**

My diary is already full-ish, so it looks like my focus will be on:

1. Various events for children and young people
2. More networking opportunities, mainly local this month
3. Prayer - I listened to my own sermon for once!

**Where is Lance?**

Carol and I intend to be around this month

**Dates for your Diary / Advance Notices**

**Members Meetings**

15<sup>th</sup> March, 24<sup>th</sup> May (AGM), 19<sup>th</sup> July

**Craft Afternoon**

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March (1-5pm), £2 for adults (children come free, but must be accompanied by an adult). See Joyce for more details

If you'd like something included in the next newsletter, please email Sam (samantha.powell7@gmail.com) by **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February**

# Stockwood Free Church Newsletter February 2018

So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image

*2 Corinthians 3:18 (New Living Translation)*

**We meet every Sunday morning at 10.45am**

*(Prayer from 10.15am)*

With Youth Church, Adventurers, Crèche, Refreshments. Communion is generally held on the first Sunday of the month



## WEEKLY PROGRAMME

We mainly continue our series - "The Jesus Model" this month - in which we seek to let The Holy Spirit challenge us all to grow in our faith and practice

### SUNDAY:

Jan 28 <sup>th</sup>	Ted: Bible Reading (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
4 <sup>th</sup>	Martin: Local Mission (Isaiah 6:8) (includes Communion) 6.30pm - Eden Event at Counterslip
11 <sup>th</sup>	Lance: Talking about Jesus (Romans 10:14-15)
18 <sup>th</sup>	Team Builders (All Age service)
25 <sup>th</sup>	Ted: International Mission (Acts 1:8)

### MONDAY:

11.30am	<b>Lunch Club</b>
7.00pm	<b>Puppet Practice</b> (5 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> )
7.30pm	<b>Ladies Circle</b> - Social Evening & American Supper (26 <sup>th</sup> )
7.45pm	<b>Leaders Meeting</b> - Is there anything that you would like us to consider? If so, please let one of the team know (12 <sup>th</sup> )
7.45pm	<b>Fellowship Group</b> at 70 Ladman Rd

### TUESDAY:

1.00pm	<b>Toddlers' Group</b>
7.00pm	<b>Weigh &amp; Pray</b>

### WEDNESDAY:

2.30pm	<b>Wednesday Fellowship</b> (7 <sup>th</sup> February onwards)
7.30pm	<b>Fellowship Group</b>

### THURSDAY:

1.00pm	<b>Toddlers' Group</b>
7.45pm	<b>Fellowship Group</b> at 50 Bifield Rd (not 15 <sup>th</sup> )

### FRIDAY:

7.30pm	<b>Intercessory Prayer Meeting</b> at Carol & Lance's home (9 <sup>th</sup> )
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### SATURDAY:

8.00pm	<b>G1 Group</b> - As usual those in the Sixth Form plus age group meet at Lance's and Carol's home. Note the change in date for the second meeting (3 <sup>rd</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup> )
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## NEWS & EVENTS

**Holiday Club: "TeamBuilders"** 13<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> February, 10am-12.30pm for children in Reception to Year 6. Please pick up a prayer bookmark if you don't have one and pray that many children will come. Planning meetings are 8pm on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> at Clare's home, 12 Warman Close

### **Lent Bible and Prayer sessions – 17<sup>th</sup> February onwards**

By way of doing things differently this year, I propose that each Saturday in Lent, ie from 17<sup>th</sup> February until Easter, those who want to meet for an hour at 7.30am on the church premises. Each week we will meditate together on an appropriate Bible passage and then spend time praying together. A sacrifice - yes! A blessing - certainly!! [Lance]

### **Connect!**

Another new venture. You are invited to a very informal time of praise and worship at 4.30pm on Sunday **25<sup>th</sup> February**. The theme for our first session is "Joy". Some of our musicians will lead the meeting, but the emphasis will be on everyone feeling that they can take part. There will be opportunities for personal prayer and ministry

### **Extension Latest**

In case you hadn't yet heard, church members have agreed to go ahead with the new build subject to having all the finances in place by the end of January. Praise God they are now! More details to follow in due course

### **School assemblies**

There are now four dates this month when church folk will be presenting in school assemblies. Thank you for all your prayers ... but please pray on for the team!

### **Easter**

Currently very little is planned for Easter Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> March. Is there anything that anyone would particularly like the church to arrange?

### **Riding Lights**

This Christian theatre company is celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary by going on a nationwide tour over the next few months. They will be performing "Where Adventure Begins - faith in the family" in Clevedon on 22<sup>nd</sup> February and Bath on 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Do talk to Lance or Carol if you want to know more details. *Brace yourselves as bold church leaders plunge headlong into the dizzy world of young discipleship. Gasp as perplexed parents hang on for the white-knuckle ride of the teenage years. Watch in amazement as overworked, relentlessly positive Youth Worker Ryan, negotiates a string of minor disasters on the famous camping trip to Wales*

### **Moldova**

We have had a few replies so far. Do let Lance or Carol know if you still have it in mind to visit Andrei and Eugenia sometime