

Pray this month especially for:

Around the Fellowship:

Mike & Trish Caswell & family, David & Sarah Chalmers, Paul & Terri Clements & family, Martyn & Elaine Clements & family, Alan & Christine Cowley, Bernard & Christine Crabbe, Barbara Dore

Around Stockwood:

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

Prayer Walk – 6.30pm on **10th February**. Meet at Dave & Barbara's home (11 Maple Close), to walk around this area

Intercessory Prayer Meeting – 7.30pm on **27th February** at Carol & Lance's home

Lance's Labours – there is plenty to keep me out of trouble(!), but I will focus on:

- The increased opportunities to engage with the local community
- Organising our trip to Burlacu in September
- Prayer for all of this (yes – I have to remind myself too!)

Where is Lance?

I should be around all this month. Thank you all, by the way, for giving me some space on Fridays each week; it has transformed my life!

Christians against Poverty

This organisation has seen over 9,000 people commit their lives to Jesus as a result of their work around money management and debt counselling. After a lot of hard effort, it looks as though we will at last get a debt centre off the ground in South Bristol. Let's get involved. In the first place I really need one person to step forward and volunteer to lead on our part in the project for the Free Church. Are you interested? If so, please have a word with Lance

Stronger Together (9th March)

This one-day conference, at the Elim Church in Jamaica Street, will explore "wellbeing of body, mind and spirit". [Book by 27th February!] Lance will probably go. More details are on the noticeboard

Creationfest in Cornwall (3rd-9th August)

Lance and Carol are thinking of going this year. Are you interested? See.... creationfest.org.uk

Next Newsletter Deadline : 20th February

Stockwood Free Church Newsletter February 2019

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Jesus Christ

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

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

This month we continue our series looking at Genesis, the first book in the Bible, particularly focussing on its message for our own day and age

SUNDAY:

3rd Ted: Ch12,15,17 – Covenant (Abraham) (includes Communion)
10th Neville: Ch21 & 22 - Sacrifice (Abraham and Isaac)
6.30pm – Prayer Walk
17th Lance: Ch 24-26 Succession (Isaac)
4.30pm - Connect
24th Holiday Club leading, followed by a Fellowship Lunch
March 3rd Martin: Ch 28 & 31 – Dreams (Jacob) (includes Communion)

MONDAY:

11.30am **School Assemblies** – please pray for the team (4th, 25th)
Lunch Club
7.45pm **Fellowship Group** at 70 Ladman Rd
7.45pm **Leaders Meeting** (11th)

TUESDAY:

7.00pm **Weigh & Pray** (no meetings this month)

WEDNESDAY:

9.30am **School Assembly** – please pray for the team (6th)
Toddlers' Group
7.00pm **Puppet Practice** (no practices this month)
7.30pm **Fellowship Group** at 83 Stockwood Rd
7.30pm **Intercessory Prayer Meeting** at Carol & Lance's home (27th)

THURSDAY:

1.00pm **Toddlers' Group**
7.45pm **Fellowship Group** at 50 Bifield Rd

FRIDAY:

8.00pm **Holiday Club Planning Meeting**

SATURDAY:

7.30am **Monthly Bible Meditation**
Starting at 7.30am and lasting for just an hour (9th)
8.00pm **G1 Group** at Lance and Carol's home (2nd & 9th)

PostiviTea (every Monday from 4th February)

Why not pop along to the Library sometime on Monday afternoon, enjoy a cup of tea, and talk to others in Stockwood who want to make connections with one another? This new initiative is being organised and hosted by a (Christian) friend of Lance's who is now working in the local community

NEWS & EVENTS

Holiday Club - Backpackers

Tuesday 19th February and Wednesday 20th February from 9am to 3.30pm, for children **5 to 11 years**. Children staying for the day will need to bring a packed lunch. Planning meetings for leaders will be each Friday at 8pm, from 4th January at Clare's home. Please save your small glass jars for a craft session (give to Hilary please)

Prayer for Holiday Club

Folk sometimes say that they can't help with the Holiday Club. However, we can all pray! Please could you consider committing to pray for the club particularly at the start of both days? And maybe meet with others to do this? The team would be very grateful if you could!

End of Holiday Club lunch (24th February)

Lance would be delighted if you could join the fun for lunch at the end of the Holiday Club week also to help him celebrate a significant move into further maturity. Or not as the case may be. [He will just have turned 60!]

Festival of Transformation (9th February)

This is an all-day event at the City Hall aiming to "inspire and encourage action for a sustainable and hopeful world." If you want to know more, just look up: eventbrite.co.uk/e/festival-of-transformation-tickets-50127664193

Bob Woodward Service of Thanksgiving (21st February)

The service for this phenomenal servant of God will be held in Bristol Cathedral at 2.30pm - I am sure that some of us will want to go along

Library engagement meetings (26th February & 2nd March)

There are two identical morning sessions, at The Park in Knowle West, designed for us to be able to shape the future use of the library, both the building and the service. Lance has agreed to help facilitate these sessions. Please come if you are interested. There is a notice on the board or, for more information, please refer to: news.bristol.gov.uk/news/bristol-libraries-new-ideas-created-together

Burlacu (Moldova) visit (mid-September)

Andrei has given us the green light. Lance and Carol will be booking the air tickets some time during the week beginning 11th February. Last calls....!

Transforming Lives for Good – Early Intervention scheme

Four of us have had a great time coaching four children for an hour each week at Woodlands School. Do you want to join the scheme next year? If so, please have a word with Carol (or Lance!)

Fire Alarm System – this is now fully installed. If you become aware of any issues (or it goes off), please contact either Rob or Lance