#### Pray this month especially for:

Around the Fellowship: Roger Jones, Pete & Pauline Kelly, Frank Kohler, Sylvia Langley & family

#### Around the Neighbourhood:

Holsom Road, Holsom Close, Warman Road, Warman Close, Stockwood Lane, The Concorde, BS14 Club & Community Centre, Pomfrett Gardens

**Prayer Walk** around this area on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April Meet at Roger & Pauline's, 60 Bifield Road at 6.30pm

**Transforming Lives for Good (TLG)** is a Christian organisation that works with children and teenagers who are excluded from school or in danger of being excluded. If you are interested in finding out more, please speak to Carol

#### Lance's Labours

My priorities for this month will be:

- 1. Mission I need to listen to more people in Stockwood
- 2. Local networks it takes time to foster good working relationships
- Wider networks I am trying to find ways for us to work with other Bristol churches

#### Where is Lance?

Carol and I will be off for a break in Dawlish from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> until Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April. Apart from this we should be around all month

#### Dates for your Diary / Advance Notices

#### Music Evening at Christ the Servant

 $12^{th}$  May – if you are interested in singing, please speak to Clare. If there is enough interest, singing practices will be on Friday  $20^{th}$  & Monday  $30^{th}$  April

Members Meetings 24<sup>th</sup> May (AGM), 19<sup>th</sup> July

**Weymouth** Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June (£12 Adults, £6 Children)

#### **Summer Outside Events**

We already have invitations to help at the Waycroft Summer Fair on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June and Stockfest on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July (tbc). Nearer the time we will ask for some help!

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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 will be finishing our series on the <u>Jesus model</u> first and then starting a short series on the <u>Fruit of the Spirit</u> (Galatians 5:22-23) in mid-April

#### SUNDAY:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Lance: Easter Sunday (8am Communion)
	6.30pm - Film Night - God's not Dead 2
8 <sup>th</sup>	Pete Kelly: Sabbath (Exodus 20:8-11)

- 15<sup>th</sup> Lance: Introduction Why be fruitful? 4.30pm - **Connect** - Informal worship and prayer led by Howard & Eddy
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Lance: Patience, self-control
- 29<sup>th</sup> Ted: Love, joy, peace

# MONDAY:

11.30am	Lunch Club (not 2 <sup>nd</sup> )
7.00pm	Puppet Practice (16 <sup>th</sup> & 30 <sup>th</sup> )
7.30pm	Ladies Circle - Gentle Exercise with Linda Cornish (23rd)
7.45pm	Leaders Meeting - Please let any of the leaders know if there is
	something that you would like them to discuss (9th)
7.45pm	Fellowship Group at 70 Ladman Rd

## TUESDAY:

1.00pm	Toddlers' Group
7.00pm	Weigh & Pray

#### WEDNESDAY:

2.30pm	Wednesday Fellowship
7.30pm	Fellowship Group at 83 Stockwood Rd (not 4th)

#### THURSDAY:

1.00pm	Toddlers' Group
7.45pm	Fellowship Group at 20 Stockwood Road

# FRIDAY:

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7.30pm Intercessory Prayer Meeting at Carol & Lance's home (20<sup>th</sup>)
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# SATURDAY:

7.30amMonthly Bible Meditation (7th)8.00pmG1 Group - As usual those in the Sixth Form plus age group<br/>meet at Lance's and Carol's home (14th [note 6pm start] & 28th)

Roger & Pauline Bingham are running the 2018 London Marathon for Mercy Ships. If you can, please sponsor them by going to Justgiving.com/fundraising/pauline-bingham2. There will also be a sponsor form available for those who don't want to give online



# **NEWS & EVENTS**

#### **School Assemblies**

The team is leading assemblies on 9<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> April. Please pray that we will be able to explain the Resurrection well to the children

#### **Home Groups**

There are three home groups running on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. They provide a great way of growing together in faith as well as getting to know a smaller group of people a bit better. Do talk to Lance if you are interested in joining one

#### **Small Prayer Groups**

Have you ever thought about regularly praying in a small group of two or three? This can be a very supportive and encouraging experience. Please talk to Lance if you would like to be linked up with someone

## Extension

The builders will be moving onto site on <u>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April</u> and are likely to be with us for about <u>15 weeks</u>. As you would expect, disruption will be kept to an absolute minimum, but do be aware that we will lose some of the parking spaces at the far end and we will also not be able to walk along the path by the kitchen for obvious reasons. Please communicate with members of the building group if you have any concerns; Terry Nichols will talk directly to the builders. Thank you, in anticipation, for your patience!

## **Event Management**

As you know our church relies on the goodwill and very hard work of volunteers. They are very busy with their jobs and families and can only give so much time to church. If you want to arrange an event that might involve any form of technology, musicians, catering, setting up furniture, etc, please check that help is available before you book the event. If you are not too sure who to go to, then please speak to me and I'll point you in the right direction [Lance]

## **Behind-the-Scenes Help**

On this note, if you could help with anything at all in church (eg: church cleaning, washing up on Sundays - but not limited to this), please also have a word with me. We are always grateful for any extra helpers! [Lance] In the same vein, Tina needs more volunteers for the Adventurers Helpers rota (especially men), please let her know if you are interested

## AGM & Leader Elections

If you attend/belong to a group, please start thinking about your presentations which need to be in PowerPoint format and sent to Clare a few weeks before.

Sam Powell, Linda Pitarella and Mike Caswell are up for re-election and are prepared to stand again. Nominations forms need to be returned by  $6^{th}$  May and will be available from Clare