

MANOR  
**COURT**  
BAPTIST CHURCH  
**CIRCULAR**

September 2021



Way Maker  
Miracle Worker  
Promise Keeper  
Light In The Darkness

*My God*  
**THAT IS WHO YOU ARE**



*Ordinary people learning to follow  
an extraordinary God!*

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| <p><b>Pastor:</b><br/> Rev Jonathan Bugg<br/> His day off is Friday<br/> Contact:<br/> Pastor@mcbbc.org.uk</p>  | <p>There will be another opportunity to come together for prayer on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August. Daniel's treatment will continue for around 11 months. It is going to be a marathon rather than a sprint, so we will need to keep praying and supporting them in whatever way is needed, for many months.</p>  |
| <p><b>Church office now open</b></p> <p><b>Foodbank</b><br/> Monday &amp; Thursday<br/> 10.30-12.00</p>   | <p>I preached on the subject of "fear" last Sunday when we thought about the account in Matthew's gospel chapter 14 of Jesus walking on water, and of Peter initially walking but then sinking as he took his eyes off Jesus. We reflected on the fact that Jesus is with us in every minute of our lives and that looking at Jesus and looking to Jesus in every moment of our lives is what can keep us going through every circumstance.</p> |
| <p><b>WE HAVE 5 CORE VALUES:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>WORSHIPPING</b><br/>Jesus at the centre</li> <li>• <b>DISCIPLING</b><br/>Every member growing</li> <li>• <b>MINISTERING</b><br/>Everyone using their gifts</li> <li>• <b>BUILDING COMMUNITY</b><br/>Open, honest relationships</li> <li>• <b>REACHING OUT</b><br/>Reaching out into the community</li> </ul> | <p>I think that looking at Jesus and looking to Jesus for our help, comfort and strength is vital for the Bugg family and for us all in the church family in these next months.</p>   |
| <p>Please note the deadline for October magazine is 26th September</p> <p>Yvonne.mead@mcbbc.org.uk</p>  | <p>Thank you all for standing with Jonathan, Catherine, Ethan and Daniel through this difficult time.</p> <p>Roger</p> <p>Dr Roger Gadsby, Church Secretary</p>   |



# Let us pray TOGETHER

—JAMES 5:16 (NIV)  
THE PRAYER OF A RIGHTEOUS PERSON IS POWERFUL AND EFFECTIVE.

You may be aware that September will be the 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Jonathan coming to MCBC as our minister. We thanked God at the time for bringing him to us and we continue to thank God for Jonathan's faithful ministry to us over these 6 years.

We pray God's blessing on him, Catherine, Ethan and Daniel, and pray that at this time they will especially know God's Love and strength and that Daniel especially will know God's peace, strength and healing.

Please pray also that the chemotherapy will not cause too many unpleasant side effects.

## **Other prayer points for September.....**


- Our children and young people returning to school and college, especially those changing schools or starting at college or university.
- All who work in schools as the new term begins and adjustments are made to changes in covid restrictions.
- Little Treasures and Tuesday Fellowship as they restart meeting. Pray for enough helpers, and that folk attending will feel comfortable and welcome.
- Pray that the planned preaching programme at MCBC will be maintained by those stepping in to preach at this time, and that the church family will continue to be discipled and grow in faith.

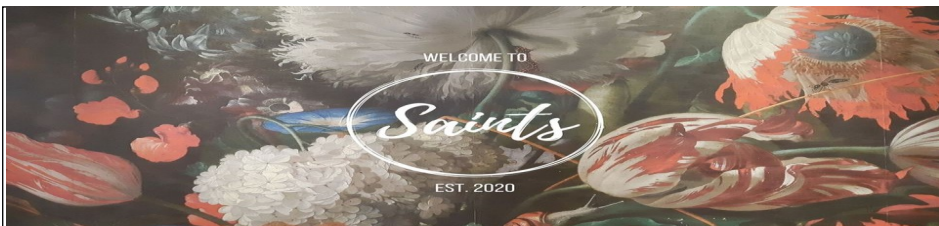
Let us

*Pray*  
for you

Please call / text us on the  
prayer line

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## Saints Nuneaton update



Saints are planning to fully reopen in the near future when all the renovation work is completed, but for now they have been hosting their Staycation events in partnership with YWAM at the beautiful Kings Lodge during August



With 13 acres of green space, and loads of fun outdoor activities to do, including meeting some sheep and goats, getting stuck in with some drama activities, crafts, sports and circus fun, and having a bounce on the inflatables! It looks like everyone has been having a fun filled time.





The Message bus is a Together for Change initiative who obtained funding through the Warwickshire Churches team and King Henry 8<sup>th</sup> trust to give a grant to the Message Trust to enable them to commission a Message bus for the young people of Warwick and the surrounding areas.

After 4 years of planning...the bus has now been built the driver recruited and the project has gone live !!!! **See saints facebook page for job vacancies**

The bus has been stripped to make way for the installation of state of the art technologies including; Xboxes, karaoke machines, plasma screens, iPads and also a kitchen that will serve hot food. There will also be an outdoor space with seating, outdoor plasma screens, a parasol and food hatch. The bus will be based in Warwick and used to support young people in that area, but it can also be hired out across the diocese when it is free, with the main objective being to launch new Christian youth groups and support existing youth groups and schools work.



The message trust say *"When they step on board, young people will find a safe place to go as well as somewhere packed full of stuff to do with their mates. Each bus is different but they'll find things like games consoles, nail bars, climbing walls, slides, gaming PCs and much more."*

*"But the buses are about more than just this. Every young person also gets to hear about how loved they are by Jesus and have a chance to explore this for themselves with our teams. As we park up and spend time in communities we see lives transformed."*



Thank you very much for all the work and prayer you have put in to be in a position to nominate members to stand for the diaconate. It will be good if we can get people elected onto the diaconate so we can have a larger leadership group to spread the workload amongst a bigger number of people. All the extra work that Covid has brought has been quite tough when spread between the 7 elected deacons we have recently had.

I am very pleased to say that so far I have received completed nomination forms for 6 nominees as follows:-

**Vernel Constantinescu** nominated by Maggie Showler and Rosemary Hands

**Pam Gadsby** nominated by Maggie Showler and David Bond

**John Gordon** nominated by Carole Sparkes and Yvonne Mead

**Isaac Olanipekun** nominated by Godfrey and Rosemary Hands

**Lynne Salter** nominated by Carole Sparkes and Pam Gadsby

**Terry Salter** nominated by Charlotte Jasper and Roger Gadsby

Nominations close after the service on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Sonja Wilson comes to the end of her present 3 year term of office and she has indicated that she doesn't want to offer herself for nomination at this time.

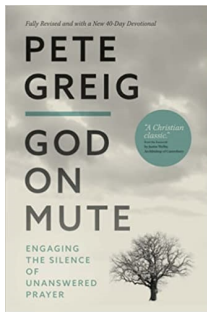
I am away on holiday for both the 29<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of September so Roy Shooter has kindly said he will have spare nomination forms and will collect any completed nomination forms if further members are nominated.

Brief biographical details of each nominee will be circulated after the 5<sup>th</sup> September.

Voting will be at the AGM on Thursday 23 September which will be held as a face to face meeting. Postal voting slips will be available, on request from me, for members who are unable to attend the face to face meeting.

Thank you again for your help and support.

Roger



## Book review

### God on mute—engaging the silence of unanswered prayer

By Peter Grieg

Pete Greig is the bewildered founder of the 24-7 Prayer movement which has reached more than half the nations on earth, and Senior Pastor of Emmaus Rd, a church with congregations in Surrey and Hampshire.

**24/7 prayer**([24-7 Prayer International](#) | [About 24-7 Prayer](#) ) began by accident in 1999 when a simple student led prayer vigil in a warehouse on the south coast of England went viral. A poem scribbled on the prayer room wall suddenly took on a life of its own. Within weeks the vision had reached 100,000 underground churches in China, and 400,000 young people in Washington DC.

Today that first prayer room has touched more than two million people in more than 10,000 prayer rooms in most denominations and more than half the nations on earth. Today they are still praying non-stop, night-and-day, from the slums of Delhi to a brewery in Missouri ...oh, and in churches and cathedrals too.

*Red Moon Rising* is the story of how that movement continues today--and how each of us can be a part of the miracles God is doing through a new generation.

*God on Mute* : The most powerful theological books are not written from a distant theoretical viewpoint, but from the battlefield. They're authored by a writer who has wrestled intensely with their theme in the gritty, raw realities of this life. That is precisely why Pete Greig's book on unanswered prayer is so very powerful and profound. For anyone wondering why God seems absent and why heaven seems silent, *God on Mute* has some extremely helpful, and healing, things to say. This book has already impacted many thousands, and I know it will impact you. --Matt Redman, Worship Leader



## **Prayer Tool: How To Prayer Walk**

### **What?**

Prayer walking is stepping out and praying for your community as you walk. This prayer tool will help you to get started.

### **Why?**

*"There is not a square inch in the whole domain of our human existence over which Christ, who is Sovereign over all, does not cry, 'Mine!'"* Abraham Kuyper

### **Bible Reference:**

*"I am giving you every square inch of the land you set your foot on."* Joshua 1:3

## **A quick introduction to Prayer Walking**

One of the most effective forms of spiritual warfare is prayer-walking.

Inspired by God's promise to Joshua, we can walk the victory of Jesus into every part of our neighbourhoods, cities and nations.

In faith we walk, believing that as the soles of our feet hit the ground, we are appropriating the work of Jesus over the principalities and powers influencing the atmosphere and shaping the narratives of our city.

Each step we take in Jesus' name, we weaken something of the enemy's grip in the Heavenly realms and subvert the systems of evil and injustice.

Prayer walking thrusts us out of our church buildings, forcing us to resist the temptation to stay inward-focused, stirring us to keep the mission front and centre. It engages all our senses, rousing us to cry out to God - as we walk with defiant hope into every crack and crevice of our cities.

While we walk in victory, and therefore pray in victory, let us remember the way that victory was won – sacrificial, self-emptying, love.

## **Prayer Tool: How to Prayer Walk**

As we prayer-walk, let's not get so consumed with the forces of darkness and our own adrenaline rush of triumphalism that we get our eyes off Jesus. Let us kneel in our streets in a posture of humility, repentance and unity, and let us declare that Jesus' sacrifice is more than enough for the redemption of all peoples and places.



**Do it: How to Prayer Walk -** This uses **WALK** as an acronym, and contains 4 simple steps:

**W – Worship**

As you set off walking begin with your eyes on Jesus. Say the name of Jesus; recite a Psalm; hum a worship song; speak quietly in tongues – basically anything that helps declare the Lordship of Jesus over the streets you walk on.

**A – Ask**

Flowing from your worship begin petitioning God for His Spirit to fall on the streets you walk on, the homes, businesses, schools and other churches you walk past. Begin to get specific and pray for people and situations, the ‘people of peace’ you know God has brought you into contact with, who are opening up doors of opportunity for the gospel within your community.

**L – Listen**

As you worship and pray, leave space to listen to what God might want to say to you - then pray that back. Often God may give you promises from scripture or prophetic words and pictures; listen for promises and literally walk these promises all over your community.

If you are prayer-walking in twos, listen to one another’s prayers and you will find yourself sparking off one another’s words and thoughts.

**K - Know your Land**

Get (and keep) yourself informed around the area you are prayer-walking; research some of its history; some of its ongoing problems; so you can pray for breakthrough.

Get to know some of the current situations that require persevering prayer and also celebrate the particular graces that rest on the area, asking God to make your area a blessing beyond I

• *“Prayer Walking: Praying on site with insight” – Steve Hawthorne and Graham Kendrick*

***If you have been inspired and would like to become a prayer walker then please do come along and join the Prayer walking team who go into our local community every Sunday morning during the service.***

***please contact Pam Gadsby for more information and details about the Rota.***



**Mary Martin 21<sup>st</sup> Oct 1936 – 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021**

Mary was an active member of Manor Court Church for many years and maintained a strong Christian faith throughout her life.

She fell at home on 31<sup>st</sup> July and was admitted to George Eliot Hospital. She had successful hip surgery on 2<sup>nd</sup> August, however she had a sudden heart attack on the ward and died there on 5<sup>th</sup> August.

Mary's husband Graham was a partner at Red Roofs Surgery, Nuneaton from 1973 but sadly he died following a fall off his bicycle in 2014.

Graham and Mary met on the mission field in Ethiopia. They married and worked there for around 3 years but came home to the UK to have their first baby Andrew, who sadly was born with physical and mental disabilities. They did not return to Ethiopia but Graham trained for working in General Practice.

They adopted their daughter Michelle as a baby in 1979.

Mary and Graham moved to Wolvey after Graham retired and continued to attend Manor Court. After Graham's death Mary continued to live in Wolvey but found driving, particularly at night, difficult and finally gave up driving. She then began to attend Wolvey C of E church but kept her membership at Manor Court.

Mary was a faithful member of Tuesday Fellowship for many years and also supported the work of our Prospects Group for those with learning disabilities.



She was a wonderful caring Christian lady who will be missed by her family and all who knew her.



**"Kick Start" Coffee Morning & Cake open to all at**

**Manor Court Baptist Church 11am till 12 noon**

**Bitesize video sessions here to help you or a friend manage your money**

**Monday 6th September - "Making your money go further"**

**Monday 4th October - "Handling habits"**

**Monday 1st November - "Anxiety and Worry"**

Numbers limited so please book by call or text to :

07890 592985 or E mail - [terrysalter@capuk.org](mailto:terrysalter@capuk.org)

This event is part of MCBC community programme and therefore is free of **charge**



**Holy Dusters!**

Come and join us on any Wednesday morning 10-11 am for fellowship, friendship and a little light cleaning to keep our church in tip-top condition. This will involve dusting, hoovering, and cleaning in the sanctuary, halls, reception, toilets and kitchen. If we have enough volunteers it won't need to be a weekly commitment as the more helpers, the less we each have to do.

No need to sign up, just turn up, we will be pleased to see you.

Any questions I can be reached at [Teresa@mcbbc.org.uk](mailto:Teresa@mcbbc.org.uk) or 07305080314



Friends & Craft



The sew and grow group

The Sew & Grew group have resumed their meeting's at MCBC in the hall

Thursday mornings 10.00-.12.00

Bring along any craft project to work on and enjoy a coffee and chat

Meetings will move to Saints Nuneaton once they re-open.



Finally we are open again and Sunday services are getting back to normal...but we need your help...a lot goes on behind the scenes on a Sunday morning and it would not happen without a faithful team of volunteers... ..could you offer maybe one Sunday a month ?

There are jobs to suit all ages and abilities:

- Meeting and greeting on the door
- Propresenter ( projecting the words for the songs )
- Sound desk
- Live streaming camera and sound
- Making and serving tea and coffee
- Childrens ministry
- Prayer walking
- Flower rota



## Flower Rota for September

Thank you to all who responded to provide flowers this month, a rota will be in place for next month.



Great news Little Treasures are back

Tuesday and Friday mornings

**Starting 14th September**

Please contact Ruth Shooter if you would like to be involved in this wonderful ministry

# here2help

**"Christian love shown through action"**

**Do you want to use your practical skills to help the local community?**

Then why not join the volunteers at "Christians Here 2 Help"

Join us for induction training on :

**Sat 2nd Oct at Manor Court Baptist Church Nuneaton**

9.30am till 12.30pm

To book: Please phone Janet Down on 07947 898220  
or email [Janet@here2helpcharity.co.uk](mailto:Janet@here2helpcharity.co.uk)



# *WELCOME BACK!*

**Tuesday fellowship are back on 14th September 2.00pm**

Tuesday fellowship extend a warm welcome to join them at 2.00pm on Tuesday afternoons at MCBC for an afternoon of praise and fellowship



Speakers for September and October to be advised

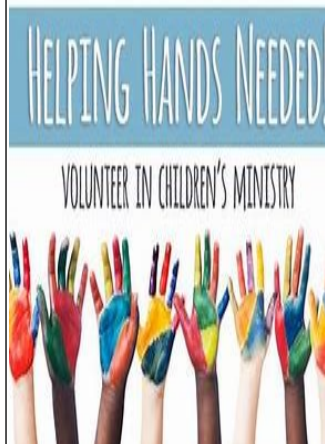
For more information speak to Maggie Showler or Sonja Wilson



**Junior Church are meeting again during the morning Service 10.45-12.00**

there is no Crèche at present and in the short term the young people are going straight through to their groups and staying there for the full service to reduce unnecessary mixing.

Bev advised they are in need of more helpers which would also then allow more children to attend.



Also if anyone felt that rather than be a regular part of the team they could be available as and when to cover any members of the of team that have been " pinged" that would be great.

**DON'T  
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**WORSHIP  
WITH US**

**ALL CHURCH  
PRAYER  
MEETING**

**SUNDAY  
WORSHIP  
SERVICE**

**ANNUAL  
GENERAL  
MEETING**

**Please join us for our twice monthly Worship and Prayer meetings .**

There will be an opportunity to come together in a time of worship from 7.00-7.30pm

This will then lead into a time of prayer from 7.30pm

2nd & 16th September ( dates to be confirmed)

**\*\*Meetings will hopefully be “hybrid” i.e face to face and on Zoom ( technology permitting)**

**Services starts at 10.45am**

WE are fully open for worship no need to book just come along

services will continue to be Live streamed from MCBC

And are available live or catch up on Facebook and YouTube

Please note the change of date from 16th September

**To:23rd September**

Thursday at 7.45pm

To include Deacons elections

The last Church meeting for the year will be

Thursday 18th November

# COME FOR COFFEE

## IT'S FOR MACMILLAN

**Where :** Manor Court Baptist Church Nuneaton CV11 5HU

**When :** Saturday 25th September 10.00am—12.00

**Why :** So everyone facing cancer can have a Macmillan team in their corner. Please come along and help raise funds for this amazing charity.

**All donations of cake will be gratefully received**

**No time to bake ? Shop bought is great too!**

**Please tie in with Maggie Showler**

**There will also be other items for sale such as jams, knitted goods and also wooden items made by Showler's Shed**

