

MANOR
COURT
BAPTIST CHURCH
CIRCULAR

November 2021



THE BREAD OF LIFE · THE LIGHT
OF THE WORLD · THE DOOR OF
THE SHEEP · THE GOOD SHEPHERD
· THE RESURRECTION AND THE
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LIFE · THE WAY, THE TRUTH,
AND THE LIFE · THE TRUE VINE



***Ordinary people learning to follow
an extraordinary God!***

<p>Manor Court Baptist Church Manor Court Road Nuneaton CV11 5HU 024 7638 2577 office@mcbc.org.uk www.mbcnuneaton.org.uk</p>	<div data-bbox="748 495 1062 528" data-label="Section-Header"> <p>Don't get out of the habit</p> </div> <div data-bbox="748 551 1075 629" data-label="Text"> <p>Researchers suggest that it takes between 6 to 10</p> </div> <div data-bbox="1075 427 1326 629" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="748 640 1326 797" data-label="Text"> <p>weeks to break a habit, whether it is biting your nails or smoking, 6 to 10 weeks of not doing it will result in most people breaking that habit. Good news huh?</p> </div> <div data-bbox="748 819 1326 1245" data-label="Text"> <p>The problem arises when we have good habits that for reasons of circumstance we end up breaking. I used to run 3 times a week and absolutely loved it. I got fitter, lost weight, and thoroughly enjoyed the "me" time while I ran. Then I hurt my ankle a couple of years ago and since then it has taken so much effort and I am yet to manage to restart something I know I enjoyed. It was a good habit I got out of and is proving difficult to get back into.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="748 1267 1326 1447" data-label="Text"> <p>If you search the internet on how to start a good habit (going to the gym or reading a chapter a day to expand your mind) there are certain things you need in order to make it work.</p> </div> <div data-bbox="748 1469 1326 1738" data-label="List-Group"> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. You have to want to do it! That sounds obvious doesn't it? 2. You need to do it in small steps. If what you plan to do seems too big it is easy to give up early on, but if there are easy stages to take to eventually get there, it will be easier by far. </div>
<p>Pastor: Rev Jonathan Bugg His day off is Friday Contact: Pastor@mcbc.org.uk</p>	
<p>Church office open 9.30-12.00</p> <p>Foodbank Monday & Thursday 10.30-12.00</p>	
<p>WE HAVE 5 CORE VALUES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WORSHIPPING Jesus at the centre • DISCIPLING Every member growing • MINISTERING Everyone using their gifts • BUILDING COMMUNITY Open, honest relationships • REACHING OUT Reaching out into the community 	
<p>Please note the deadline for December magazine is 26th November</p> <p>Yvonne.mead@mcbc.org.uk</p>	

3. Have support. Have a cheerleader urging you on, or better still someone doing the same thing so o you hold each other to account - “why aren’t you coming to the gym? I’ll pick you up on the way!”

The thing is that attending church and being part of a fellowship is (at least in part) a habit, albeit a good one, and when Covid came along with its lockdowns and social distancing, what had been a good habit was broken and the bad habit of not meeting together was forged in the 18 months of restrictions (significantly more than 6 to ten weeks to form that bad habit).

The writer of the book of Hebrews says:

“Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another ...”

If you have got into the habit of not meeting, may I encourage you to ask yourself why you have not restarted. You had good reason to come before Covid so it was something you wanted to do then, so why not now?

Maybe having every Sunday free to spend with the family was a bit of a gift you now feel reluctant to give up. Why not set yourself the small step of coming once a month to start with, then when the habit is formed, perhaps set the next step of every other week. We’d rather see you once a month than not at all.

And as for having cheerleaders rooting for you and encouraging you onwards in your faith, we are here every week waiting for you, missing you , and desperate to see you again. Let us encourage you, spur you on toward love and not giving up meeting together as some are in the habit of doing.

To grow in Christ is sometimes difficult, but always a rewarding journey that is better with friends. We do hope that you’ll let us help you make a new habit. **Jonathan**



News from Mark & Ruth Cuthbert Betel UK

Founded in 1996 Betel UK is a faith based independent charity working to restore men and women whose lives have been affected by drug- and alcohol-addiction and homelessness. Free entry to Betel UK's centres Betel's centres in Alvechurch, Derby, Nottingham, Manchester, Hexham and Motherwell is offered to those wanting to recover from addiction. At each Betel UK centre, residents participate in a daily routine of worship, community activities and work.

Since we last wrote, there have been so many things to celebrate and many celebrations of life. Thank you for your prayers for the opening of our Anchor Point Church and our Anchor Point enterprises, a new multi-purpose venue in Chester Street, Aston. The former magazine distribution warehouse houses a range of social enterprises, an arts performance suite, a dance studio, conference and meeting facilities, a community outreach centre, a cafe with soft-play area and a resource library.



We are slowly seeing new people visiting the Church and our social enterprises which is fantastic. The toddler group has a few families coming from the local community which is such an answer to prayer. Please continue to pray.

Baptisms

We, Betel Birmingham and Anchor Point Church celebrated the lives of 14 men and women who chose to get baptised. It was a wonderful day full with dry weather, friends, families and a bbq for 150. It was special to hear the

testimonies of how God has changed lives, brought healing, shown forgiveness and is ever-faithful, and fantastic that their families and friends were able to hear these testimonies too.

Dan was one of those who got baptised that day and we would love to share his story with you.

"My dad left shortly after I was born and my mum had an injunction on him to stop him seeing us. He was an emotionally abusive alcoholic and my mum was an addict and prostitute. I was placed in care from a young age where I would see my mum at weekends. I then moved in with my aunt, and in the meantime my dad had tracked me down and wanted me to live with him and his new family. Life was cramped with 5 of us living in one bedroom, until we moved into a larger house, at which point I was returned to care. My dad had used me, a child, to clear his debts and to get a bigger house; I wasn't wanted. My life started to spiral out of control with drinking, smoking and really challenging behaviour at school. At 18 I thought I'd found love with a lady who was older and had two kids of her own, but this was messy with deception and hurt for me. I was filled with rage, anger and hate, which I self-medicated through drink; an addiction that went on for 10 years. I was largely homeless, sleeping in bin sheds, car parks and going days without food when I couldn't find food in bins. I had alienated everyone around me and had no one I could trust.

Miraculously I found myself in Betel, and this is where things started to change. Don't get me wrong, for the first 14 months I wanted to leave every single day- but I was so intrigued by what I could see in the lives of those around me. I'd never seen such freedom before! Over time I have seen God give me freedom from areas in my life I never thought possible, and now I want to help others meet the God who can break them free from addictions and give them new life through Him."

- Please pray for Dan as he continues to allow God to work in his life and be transformed by the love and acceptance of the Father.



DEACONS

Leading through Serving.

Following the recent Deacons elections, please see below the MCBC Deacons hubs and areas of responsibility:

Administration	Discipleship/outreach	Spiritual direction/ strategy
Deacons/trustees Terry Salter Roy Shooter Vernal Constantinescu	Deacons/trustees Pam Gadsby Lynne Salter John Gordon	Deacons/trustees Roger Gadsby James Stevens Isaac Olinipekun
Administration	Home Groups	Corporate Worship
Office Administrator	Pastoral Care	Preaching
Communications	Tuesday Fellowship	Teaching
Finance	Nurture	Prayer
Governance & Policies	Christianity Explored	Prophecy/Healing
Safeguarding	Sew & Grow	Technical Team
Caretaker	Little Treasures	Welcoming
Buildings Maintenance	Children's Ministry	Overseas Mission
Buildings Development	Youth Ministry	Women's Ministry
Health & Safety	Court Jesters	Men's Ministry
Others —Oversight of CAP Ministries - Pam Gadsby Liaison with Food Bank - Lynne Salter		

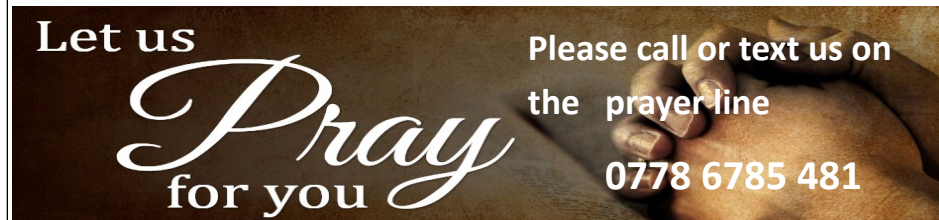


Prayer points for November are :




- The Bugg Family - pray for Daniel's ongoing treatment especially that pain and sickness will be kept under control. Wisdom for the doctors involved in deciding on plans for his surgery.
- Pray for strength and peace for Jonathan, Catherine and Ethan.
- Pray for Greg and Miriam in their sadness and loss.
- Pray that a warehouse may be found in Nuneaton for Foodbanks to be able to store their food donations.
- Give thanks for the good numbers of people, including family and friends, who attended the recent baptismal and infant dedication services.

Thanks to all those who came to the prayer meeting at church on 21st Oct when 'Mary' from BMS visited and spoke about her work. She gave us a fascinating insight into the country she had, until recently, been working in, and we were able to spend time praying for her. She said she had been encouraged by our welcome and prayers.

She left us with some leaflets and information in case any feel they want to support her personally or receive her prayer letters. Please see Roger or Pam if you are interested.



November 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31st 10.45 Morning Service	1 10.30 Food bank 11.00 Kick start 7.30 YDG 7.30 YWAM celebration 8.00 AA	2 9.30 Littles treasures 2.00 Tuesday Fellowship 6.30 Nun Choral Society	3 2-3.30 Barbera's Home group 7-9 Janet & Andy's home group	4 9-5 CAP office 10.00 Sew & Grow 10.30 Food bank	5 9.30 Littles treasures	6 5.30pm Civic Bonfire Jubilee Fields
7 10.45 CAP 10 year celebration Speaker Katie Johnson	8 10.00 Holy Dusters 10.30 Food bank 8.00 AA 7.30 YDG	9 9.30 Littles treasures 2.00 Tuesday Fellowship 6.30 Nun Choral Society	10	11 10.00 Sew & Grow 10.30 Food bank 7.45 Prayer Meeting :	12 9.30 Littles treasures	13
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Flower Rota November

Flowers provided this month by:

7th Nov - Roger & Pam Gadsby

14th Nov - Geoff & Vivienne Hudson

21st Nov - Rena Fisher

28th Nov Peter & Evelin Bandi



Please see Pam Gadsby if you would like to join the Rota and be a part of this very worthwhile ministry.

Tuesday Fellowship

The Tuesday fellowship extend a warm welcome to join them on a Tuesday afternoon at 2.00pm for an hour of praise and fellowship plus fascinating speakers November dates :

2nd Margaret Bissekar

9th Yvonne Mead

23rd Patrick Boyle

30th Anthony Thacker Advent



Tuesday Fellowship are delighted to announce the return of

Food For Thought Tuesday 16th November 12.45-3.00

Speaker Jacqui Wells"

Please come along and enjoy a 2 course home cooked meal for just £4.00 and hear from Jacqui as she shares her thoughts on the topic.....

" I will stand with Christian brothers and sisters around the world."

Please see Maggie Showler for more information and to book a place



"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 1st November - "Anxiety and Worry"

Numbers limited so please book by call or text to :

07890 592985 or E mail - terrysalter@capuk.org

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



The Vine Christian Bookshop

The Borough

Hinckley

News from The Vine - thank you for bearing with us during our recent closure, we hope it wasn't too inconvenient. The advice this year is to buy early for Christmas, so do drop in and stock up with everything you need for advent and Christmas. We are also happy to take special orders, and have catalogues for Traidcraft and Leprosy Mission available for you to look at. The Real Advent Calendar is now available but flies off the shelf as quickly as we get it so do, please place orders with us if you would like any of these. Our special offer books for children have now arrived and include some lovely Christmas titles and some new general titles. We are in need of some more help at the moment - we need volunteers who are willing to do food handling, particularly for Wednesdays, and are also continuing to look for a paid supervisor for Saturdays (or alternate Saturdays and Fridays). Please be in touch via phone (01455 612345) or email (thevinehinckley@btconnect.com) to discuss these positions.



Exciting News The Poppy Run is back for 2021

1st October—30th November

Every person, every step, every poppy counts

You choose how you will support ...

Choose a location and date and sign up:[Step 1 Sign up today:](#)

Get family and friends involved to run, jog or walk this October and November – Poppy Runs are open to all ages and abilities, including four legged friends. It's a great chance to have fun, and challenge yourself, all whilst doing something amazing for our Armed Forces community. Our 5k events are taking place at locations across the country this Autumn, so all you need to do is pick a date, time and location that works for you

Or Choose My Poppy Run :

If you'd rather run at a time and place to suit you to take on [My Poppy Run](#), where you choose the distance and location This gives you the choice to run, walk or jog however it works for you. It could be in the local park, around your local town, or on a treadmill. You can choose how to take part and raise funds to support the 2021 Poppy Appeal and we will still support you all the way. We'll keep in touch with tips and to celebrate your achievements. You'll be joining a community of runners who will 'virtually' be there for you.

Let's do this together, you might run by yourself but you're not alone.

<https://mypoppyrun.britishlegion.org.uk>



CHURCH MATTERS

**NOMINATIONS
NOW OPEN**



NOMINATIONS FOR CHURCH SECRETARY & CHURCH TREASURER

In the past, under our old constitution, the deacons brought a recommendation to the church of a deacon for the position of church secretary and another deacon for the position of church treasurer.

At the last members meeting we discussed that, under our new constitution, it is the church members that have to nominate individuals for the office of church secretary and church treasurer. This new process has been discussed at the church meeting, has been outlined in the church magazine and has been announced at Sunday morning services. Nomination forms have been available for several weeks.

Completed nomination forms for church secretary for Roger Gadsby proposed by Sonja Wilson and seconded by Stuart Perkins and for church treasurer for Terry Salter proposed by Martin Biggs and seconded by Beth Showler have been received.

These nominations will come to the face to face church meeting on 18 Nov 2021 and will be voted on then.

If there are members who wish to vote but are unable to attend the face to face meeting on 18 Nov postal votes will be available from the church office, which must be returned there before the start of the meeting on 18 November.

Roger Gadsby (Church Secretary)



IT'S BACK THE BIG CHURCH DAY OUT

3rd –4th June 2022

Wiston Estate West Sussex

For many it has been a great disappointment that for two years running BCDO was cancelled

Big Church Day out “ Together again” is an amazing festival where people from all walks of life, different church backgrounds can get together and experience God’s presence through fun, fellowship and amazing worship.

For more information visit [Buy Tickets | Big Church Day Out](#)



Saints Nuneaton are Reopening on 9th November

Opening times ...9.30am -3.30pm Tuesday-Saturday

It's the moment we have all been waiting for... we are so thrilled to announce we are finally reopening our doors to the public on Tuesday 9th November at 9.30am!

It's been a long time coming, with many unforeseen obstacles and a rather pesky pandemic getting in our way, but we can't wait to see you all again

Keep your eyes peeled for more updates coming soon about the exciting activities and events we have planned.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



CAP Kick start course

Monday 1st November 11.00am



Zoom Church Prayer meetings 7.45pm

Thursday 11th & 25th November



CAP 10 year celebration service

Sunday 7th November 10.45am

Speaker Katie Johnson



Church Members Meeting

Thursday 18th November 7.45pm



First Sunday of Advent service

Sunday 28th November 11.45am



Crib Service

Sunday 19th December 11.45am



CAP Job Club (8 week seminar)

Thursday 3rd February 2022 10.30am

THE SAINTS NUNEATON

Christmas market

Saturday

27th November

and Saturday

4th of December

9.30am-3.30pm

Christmas Market

Browse stalls run by local
businesses with beautiful
handcrafted gifts and
decorations .





**YWAM THE KING'S LODGE
OPEN WORSHIP**

GIVE THANKS!

**MONDAY, 1ST OF NOVEMBER
AT 7:30PM**



YWAM The King's Lodge

Save the date ...Open House

Advent Celebration

Saturday 4th December at 4.00pm

Family activities , music, food, fellowship



Community events



Saturday 20th November

4pm-9pm

Polesworth Memorial Hall

Christmas tree light switch on,
food and drink stalls arts and crafts

A choir and brass band

Community events



ROUNDTABLE

PRESENTS:

NUNEATON CHARITY BONFIRE & FIREWORKS

SATURDAY 6TH NOVEMBER

Saturday 6th November

5.30pm

Jubilee Sports Field Arbury Road Nuneaton

Do you live in Birmingham, Coventry and
Warwickshire and work with families in your
church or local community?

If **Yes** then join us online on 10th November at
12pm for an hour of inspiration and
information on charities and resources to help
you empower families across your region.

visit www.thenpi.org.uk/events
to register for a free ticket.

npi the national
parenting initiative

transforming family life