Relay

Reloaded

ChristChurch Wrexham

Autumn 2026

"Or don't you know that all of us who were baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death? We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." Romans 6: 3 - 4 NIV









Blessed to be A Blessing

Dear CCW Family,

It is good to be in Brynteg and having taken a few weeks to settle in we now want to make a real effort to connect with and be a blessing to the community. God has given us a good, secure, and beautiful place to be and He has given us an opportunity to share His love and blessing with others.



The lines have fallen to me in pleasant places;
Yes, I have a good inheritance.
Psalm 16:6 NKJV
Brynteg ~ Teg = fair / beautiful ~ Bryn = place/hill

Through His goodness and His grace, God has placed us in the midst of a new community which is a fair and beautiful place. In deep gratitude we must trust the Lord to use us to help the people of Brynteg experience the love, light and life of the Lord Jesus. We have such a wonderful inheritance in the Lord to share with this community. 'In Christ' and through Christ you are richly blessed to be a blessing to others. God is with us and for us in all He asks us to do.

My prayer is that Brynteg would be fertile and fruitful ground both for the gospel and for ChristChurch. As we increasingly establish our new home in this community, my hope and prayer is that you may know and experience even more of God's love and blessing, and that many come to love the Lord through our presence in the community.

God Bless You, Love & Prayers,
Gareth Jones <>< Senior Leader at ChristChurch Wrexham

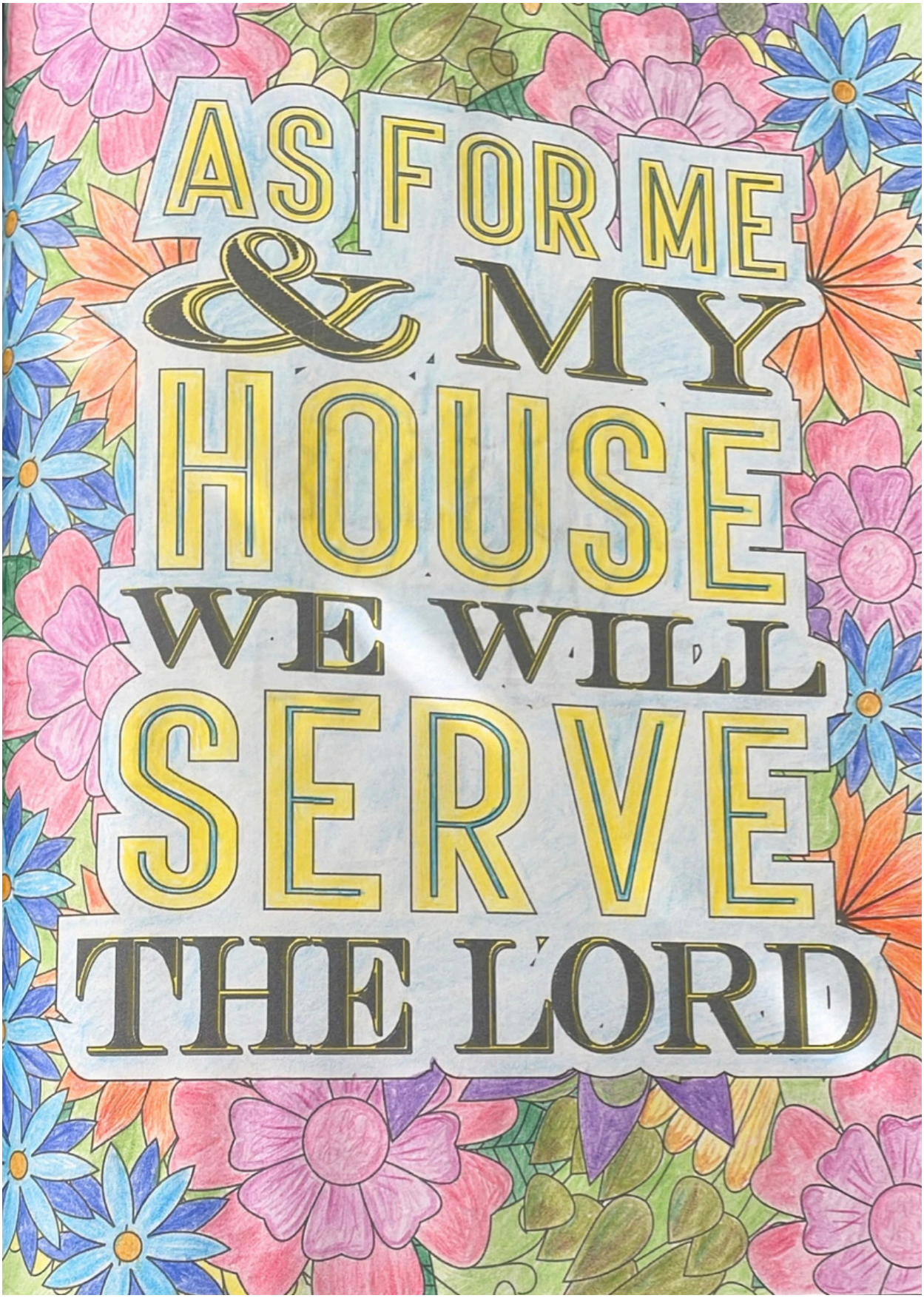
We are the Sanctuary

The boxes are packed,
the keys are turned,
we are leaving the ground
where the fire burned,
saying goodbye to Acton town
but we are not laying our Mission down!
We lift our eyes to the open road,
You're carrying us, you're carry the load,
it's more than a building, it's more than a place,
it's a living movement of Your Grace.
We've pulled up the stakes, we've cleared the rooms,
but we know Your Glory is about to bloom,
each single heart is locked in tight,
we're stepping forward into the light.
We are the temple, we are the sound,
Your presence is moving on this ground,
No distance can tear this house apart
You've built a church inside our hearts
From place to place, from old to new
Jesus our Lord, we're moving with You.
The trailers are loaded, the tech is down,
There's a holy echo filling the town,
But we don't look back with a sense of fear,
because the same God there, is the same God here!
the doors of Brynteg are opening wide,
with a single heartbeat we step inside.
You've gone before us, you've cleared the way,
we're following the cloud and fire today,
the structure shifts but the promise stands,
we place our future in your hands!
Acton behind us, Brynteg ahead,
following exactly where Your Spirit led,
We are the sanctuary, we are your church,
In our Lord Jesus Christ's Name, Amen

by Jenny Sheen | 8th August 2026



By Jenny



The Faithfulness of God ~ thoughts from Jenny

Look around ~

Everything we build has a shelf life, our phones upgrade, contracts expire, and human promises . . . well, they trend for a second, then fade into the background noise. We live in a shifting culture, where 'forever' usually means . . . '*until I change my mind*'.

But then Lord, there's You! You don't operate on our timeline, You don't check the metrics or look for an exit strategy.

Psalm 36:5 says, '*Your love, Lord, reaches to the heavens, your faithfulness to the skies.*' I used to think that was just poetic exaggeration, beautiful Hebrew hyperbole, when all along I knew the sky doesn't have an end! And neither Lord, does Your grace. it's vast, it's panoramic, it's an open-ended kind of loyalty.

We talk about history like it's a graveyard of forgotten names, but You have been the exact same shelter for thousands of generations. The same wings that covered David in the wilderness - '*I will take refuge in the shadow of your wings until the disaster has passed,*' ***Psalm 57:1***, are the exact same wings hovering over my mess today.

You are a shield, not a fragile wall of glass we have to protect, but a heavy-duty battle-tested rampart. And when the doubts start piercing my mind, You don't tell me to be strong, You just tell me to step behind you.

My track record is a mess of borden resolutions. I slip, I waver, I look at the storm inside my head, instead of the storyteller above. Timothy wrote it quite clearly in ***2 Timothy 2:13***, '*even if we are faithless, He remains faithful for He cannot disown Himself.*' Faithfulness isn't just something You do, it is *who You are.*

So let the ground shake, and the fires burn, the headlines scream, and the seasons do what they do and change. For my life isn't built on my own ability to hold on, my foundation is buried deep in the unchanging, unyielding character of God, unshaken, unmoved, and still here.

~ *Jenny Sheen*



A Letter from God



To: YOU
Date: TODAY
From: THE BOSS
Subject: YOURSELF

Reference: LIFE

I am God. Today I will be handling all of your problems. Please remember that I do not need your help. If life happens to deliver a situation to you that you cannot handle, do not attempt to resolve it. Kindly put it in the SFGTD [*something for God to do*] box. All situations will be resolved, but in My time, not yours.

Once the matter is placed into the box, do not hold onto it by worrying about it. Instead, focus on all the wonderful things that are present in your life now. If you find yourself stuck in traffic, don't despair. There are people in this world for whom driving is an unheard-of privilege.

Should you have a bad day at work, think of the man who has been out of work for years. Should you despair over a relationship gone bad, think of the person who has never known what it's like to love and be loved in return. Should you grieve the passing of another weekend, think of the woman in dire straits, working twelve hours a day, seven days a week, to feed her children.

Should your car break down, leaving you miles away from assistance, think of the paraplegic who would love the opportunity to take that walk. Should you notice a new grey hair in the mirror, think of the cancer patient in chemo who wishes she had hair to examine.

Should you find yourself at a loss and pondering what life is all about, asking "*What is my purpose?*" - be thankful. There are those who didn't live long enough to get the opportunity. Should you find yourself the victim of other people's bitterness, ignorance, smallness or insecurities, remember, things could be worse. You could be one of them! Should you decide to send this to a friend, you may touch their life in ways you will never know.

I don't know the origin of this, it was given to me by my late dear sister-in-law, Lorraine, many years ago. ~ Shirley Morriss

Faith

From Angela

Come Holy Spirit
Flow through me
Washing away the toxins as you go
Rid me of pride
Purge me of arrogance
Flush my heart with your grace
Let the tide break the grip
Of the tendrils of darkness
That seek to choke my soul
Instead, pour your light into me
Make me a vessel of your love
Fill me to overflowing
So that through me
Your spirit of hope
Can reach a desperate world

Love personified

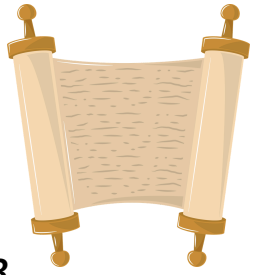
He is the personification of love
The boundless love of God
Crammed into the body of a man
Both fully God and fully human
Eternity squeezed into 33 years
A man of suffering who took on our pain
Who suffered the punishment that was rightly ours
Freeing us to return to the father
And bask in in his love and life

I saw a glue stick, the kind everybody uses in school. In order for the glue to rise up and fulfil it's purpose, the end must be turned repeatedly. If you feel like you're spinning out of control, it's very easy to not see any reason for the turmoil. God wants to reassure you that the life changes that have made you dizzy are still part of His plan. They will lead to you being raised up to fulfil your true, Godly purpose.

From Roy

The story, which I have abridged, goes like this; in ancient Jewish culture education began at 6 years of age. Jewish boys would enrol at the local synagogue school called Bet Sefer - meaning "house of the book'. According to tradition, the very first class the boys attended, the Rabbi would give each boy his writing slate nicely daubed with honey.

They were allowed to lick the honey as they memorised these words from ***Psalm 119:103*** ~ '*How sweet are Your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth.*'



After four years they could recite the Torah!

Blessings, Roy Whitney
Featured in Word for Today on Thursday 15th July, published by UCB.

A Request from Karina of the Good News foundation in Orgovany, Hungary

Hi ChristChurch Wrexham, how are you? 😊 I'm going to have a "gap semester" in February / March - July 2027, and I would love to work somewhere abroad (preferably in a Christian environment). I'm currently looking at my options and asking around - I wonder if you know of anything I could to during these 6 months?

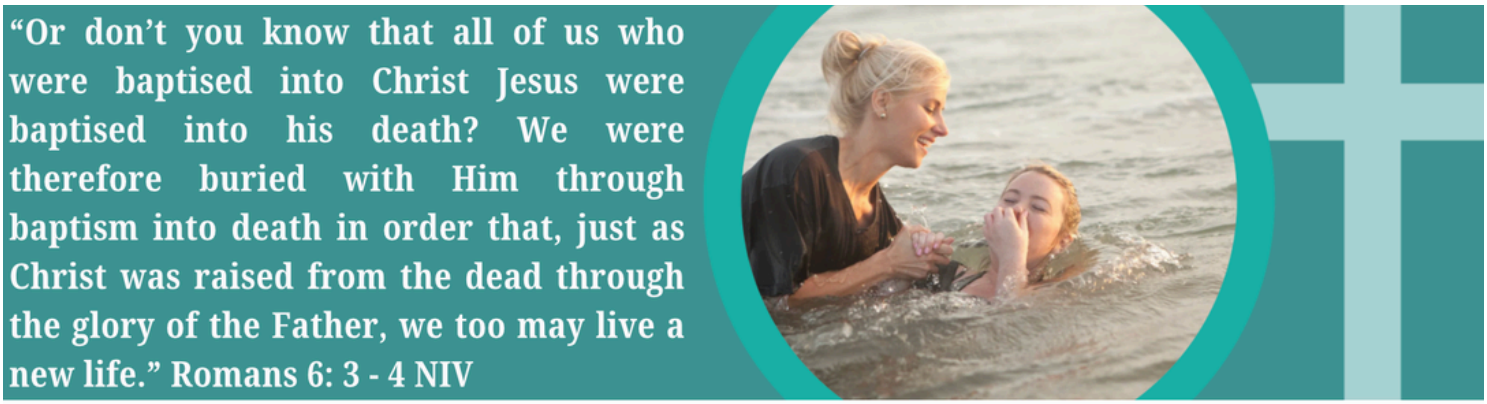
Maybe someone needs a full-time babysitter, or lots of people need a babysitter for shorter amounts of time? Or maybe a secretary position, or something like that - almost anything really. I would love to do volunteer work, but financially I'm not in the position to be able to do so - I'd like to start building my own little life. 😁

I'd be grateful if you kept an open eye for me.

Love, Karina

Karina is Lilya's eldest daughter. Lilya is one of Donat's sisters, she is on the Good News Foundation Leadership Team (The Big 4) & is also the church and charities administrator.

Veronica's Baptism Testimony



I want to share a brief summary of my life, and what Jesus has personally done for me. My name is Veronica. and I have lived in Wrexham since I was 2. At around 9, I started going to a youth club at the Wrexham Baptist church and loved it. I encouraged my Mum to go to the same church, and she started to become a Christian, she has continued in her faith ever since.

My Mum and I went to Spring Harvest once when I was young, and whilst there I heard Jesus say to me, "I am true." I have never forgotten those words. My childhood wasn't an easy one, in fact, a troubled one. My Dad was the rock of our family, and remained so right up to when he passed away. My dad and I prayed together in the last month. before he died, and he told me he had seen Jesus and that he had spoken to him, that gave me great reassurance and still does.

When I was 11, I got meningitis, but thankfully the Lord healed me. At 15, I developed severe anxiety and panic attacks caused by trauma and became agoraphobic for 4 years, which led to being home-schooled. However, the Lord healed me again. There is power in prayer.

One of God's greatest gifts to me was Glen, who became my rock and my husband. He helped me through my panic attacks, and looking back, I realise the Lord was loving me through Glen. The Lord blessed us with 2 wonderful sons, Dale and Rhys, becoming a mum gave me so much pleasure, and slowly the panic attacks, eventually went. And they too are starting their faith journeys.

Through everything I have gone through, Jesus has always been by my side, waiting for me to reach out and be guided by Him. Jesus willingly went to the cross for my sins—for every fear, failure and wrong choice. He died so we could be forgiven and rose again so we could have new life.

I have been through an awful lot, too much to write, but I want this testimony to encourage others, that there is power in prayer.

I hope you can relate to my life, and maybe your life is missing something at the moment and you'll know what I mean when I say that, then please consider giving your life to the Lord, he doesn't change you... he creates a better version of yourself, he'll remove those negative traits that the enemy wants to keep you chained up in, like worry, depression, fear, bitterness, jealousy and anger, to name a few.

But that hole that you feel now in your life will slowly be filled with joy, with security, with peace and a friend you can depend on. Life is still hard sometimes, but I know I'm not walking it alone. I have Jesus. His love is never-ending, and that security means everything to me.

On 19th May 2025, I experienced the baptism of fire by the Holy Spirit. It was amazingly pure, beautiful and indescribable, and it strengthened my relationship with the Lord even further. It reminded me that He is one hundred percent real, and no one can convince me otherwise.

This water doesn't wash away my sins, as Jesus has already done that through His death and resurrection. My baptism is my public declaration that I choose to have a relationship with Him and follow Him for the rest of my life. I am petrified of water as I cannot swim, but as I step in, I will trust the Lord. Today, I'm not being baptised because I'm perfect. I'm being baptised because Jesus is.

Thank You, Lord, for creating me, for always being my loving teacher, and for walking beside me through every season of my life.

~ Veronica Edwards 23/8/26



Michele's Testimony

"Or don't you know that all of us who were baptised into Christ Jesus were baptised into his death? We were therefore buried with Him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." Romans 6: 3 - 4 NIV



I was raised as a Christian and baptised in the Catholic Church as a child. I never really lost my belief in God, but as I got older, I realised that I didn't fully understand my faith or what it truly meant to follow God.

My experiences within the Catholic Church eventually pushed me away from religion. But a couple of years ago, Drew and I started becoming curious about Christianity, and we began that journey together, trying to understand what it really meant to be a Christian.

During that time, there seemed to be constant little signs and reminders telling us to listen and pay attention to God. It felt like we were being drawn towards something, and it reignited something in me. I wanted to understand my faith for myself rather than simply believing because I had been brought up that way.

We eventually joined ChristChurch, and being part of the church helped me understand my faith even more. I began to realise that being a Christian isn't simply about religion or following rules. It's about having a relationship with God and choosing to follow Jesus.

I know I haven't always followed God as I should. I've made mistakes, I've made choices I'm not proud of, and there are parts of my past that I want to leave behind.

Now, I feel ready to put that past in God's hands and move forward with Him. I want to continue growing in my faith, trusting God more and making Him a bigger part of my life.

I'm still learning, and I know I always will be, but for the first time I feel that my faith is truly my own.

Michele Jones 23/8/26

The Alpha Course at CCW

Alpha is one of the main ways we are seeking to be evangelistic at CCW. Over the last three years, Alpha courses at CCW have seen people come to faith, have their lives powerfully touched by the Lord and deepen their Christian faith. Consequently, we will be running a fourth Alpha course, hosted once again by Gareth & Jean, starting on Sunday 25th October.

Alpha is an 11-week introductory course to the Christian faith that provides a safe, low-pressure space to explore big questions about life and human existence and meaning. The course is built around three core elements and each weekly session will contain:

FOOD - weekly desserts and drinks and the odd meal or two will be included too.
TALKS - A video talk with questions and discussion breaks will be provided and each session will have a specific theme.
DISCUSSION - An opportunity to share thoughts and ask questions. There is no pressure to contribute or follow any specific conclusion—every perspective is welcome. Session 8 is the Alpha weekend to focus on the person and work of the Holy Spirit and this is often the most popular part of the course.

Please pray in the next weeks leading up to the start of the course, about who the Lord is asking you to invite and come along to the course with. This is our chief form of friendship evangelism at CCW and wouldn't it be amazing if we could all bring along one person. To run the course, we will need hosts and helpers to be present at each fortnightly session.

Hosts will welcome people and serve the drinks and desserts (or meals) each time Alpha meets. Helpers will be part of the group on the course and take part in the question time and discussions at each session. We will also need support from those who can provide occasional meals and the desserts which will be served each time. Alpha also relies upon faithful and committed prayer support so we'll need a team of intercessors lifting the course before the Lord.

Please seek the Lord to find out if He is calling you to help in any of these ways. If so, please speak to ***Gareth & Jean.*** Alpha is always a great adventure where faith is stimulated and strengthened, whilst new friendships are formed.

We look forward to you joining and partnering with us!

Many thanks, blessings,
Gareth & Jean <><

CCW ALPHA COURSE

Sundays from 7 - 9pm

starting on

Sunday 25th October

For more information:

CHURCHLEADER@CHRISTCHURCHWREXHAM.ORG.UK

Sessions / Themes:

Sunday 25th October	Is there more to life than this?
Sunday 8th November	Who is Jesus?
Sunday 22nd November	Why did Jesus die?
Sunday 6th December	How can I have faith?
Sunday 13th December	Why & how do I pray?
Sunday 10th January	Why & how should I read the Bible?
Sunday 17th January	How does God guide us?
Friday 29th - Sunday 31st January	Alpha Holy Spirit weekend
Sunday 7th February	How can I resist evil?
Sunday 21st February	Why & how should I tell others?
Sunday 28th February	Does God heal today?
Sunday 14th March	What about the church?

ChristChurch Wrexham

Small Groups at CCW

ChristChurch (CCW) is committed to being a church, people and family on a missional journey and developing disciples through both Sunday Celebrations and midweek Small Groups.

There is great flexibility in what each CCW Small Group might entail and they are all intended to facilitate us as missional disciples. Small Groups at ChristChurch are anchored around the three core relationships of life – UP to God, IN to family and friends, and OUT to the wider society which they seek to be a blessing to. UP, IN and OUT emphasise a balanced life centred on relationship with God (UP), the family and community of believers (IN), and reaching out to others (OUT).

UP: Focuses on our individual and corporate life with God. Aiming to cultivate a deep and abiding relationship with God through prayer, worship, bible reading and study, and seeking His guidance. It's about prioritizing your relationship with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

IN: Focuses on building strong, loving relationships with other believers within a community or church. It's about fostering friendship, fellowship, support, and accountability within the Christian community.

OUT: Focuses on sharing the good news of the gospel with those who are not yet Christians, serving others both within and outside the church, and advancing God's kingdom of justice, joy and peace. It's about actively engaging in mission and making a positive impact and difference in the world.

Each Small Group at CCW is unique and works out its own rhythm of 'Up, In & Out'. They meet together in homes, larger spaces or outdoors. At times, when necessary, the gathering may move online. The intention is that in them and through them we are increasingly becoming 'disciples who make disciples.'

2nd & 4th Mondays: Annette's Small Group from 1 – 3pm

2nd & 4th Tuesdays: Small Group at Gareth & Jean's at 7:30pm

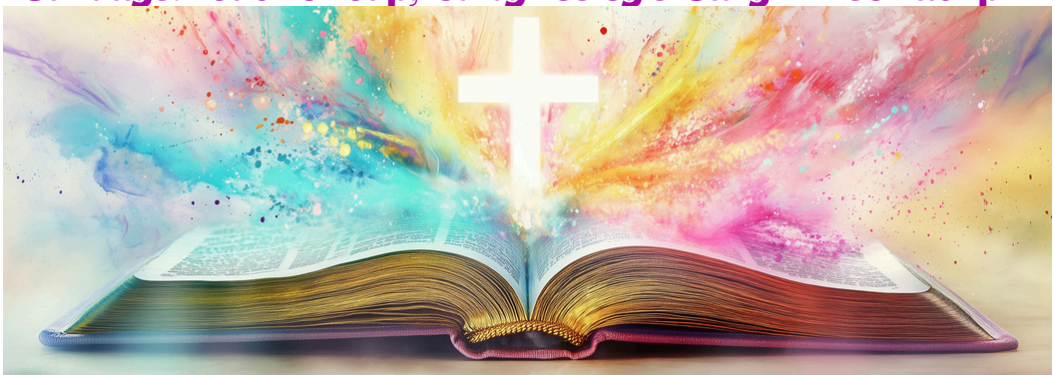
Wednesdays: Bible Study Group with Lesley & Sue at 1pm

Bible study group with Huw at 7pm

1st & 3rd Thursdays: Fellowship group with Lucy & Ffion at 7pm

Fridays: Jenny's creative small group from 1 – 3pm ~ reflecting on a Bible passage and responding to it creatively

Sundays: Youth Group, led by Lesley & Sally Ellinson at 7pm



An update from Y Bont Wrexham

Unfortunately, due to staffing and volunteer capacity and not being able to secure substantial grants, we as a team have taken the sad decision to close Y Bont as from October 2026. This decision has been made with heavy hearts; we have been in talks with PCN and looked at other options but can't find a suitable outcome. We appreciate your prayers while we navigate these next few months and support the clients on our waiting list. *Blessings from all the Team*

Giving at CCW

In September, CCW has given away;

£650 to ***Tearfund for Nepal floods***

£500 to ***World Vision for the Colombia earthquake***

£500 to ***World Vision for the Indonesia earthquake***

£262 to Ichthus to assist the ***Aanandit fellowship in Nepal***

A total of **£1,912**

***You can find out more about giving at CCW here*.**

Receiving Information at CCW

Please see below the ways in which you can receive information at CCW. If you've got any questions, ***please get in touch.***

- ***MailChimp emails*** - Most of you will be subscribed to CCW emails via our email platform MailChimp. If you're not yet subscribed and would like to receive emails, please ***contact Huw*** or ***Honor***. You're able to opt in or out of different catagories of emails at any time - at the bottom of each email you'll see the option to change your preferences, if you wish. Please don't hesitate to ask if you've any questions!
- ***CCW WhatsApp group*** - you can also receive brief updates on what's going on and prayer requests etc. via our WhatsApp group too - just ***ask Honor*** if you'd like to join.
- Our ***CCW Facebook page can be followed here.*** Do share on some of our posts to your friends!
- ***CCW Community Page*** - this is a private group for our congregation. It's a place where you're welcome to share / ask for prayer / connect with others from church.
- ***Thought for the Day*** - TFTD is a great source of spiritual nourishment & encouragement, in the form of short week-day reflections shared by our Senior Church Leader Gareth, and others. They can be found under the 'Media' heading on our website.
- Our ***Sermons*** can be located under the 'Media' heading on our website.
- ***ChurchSuite*** - Honor is in the process of helping people gain access to and use ChurchSuite; she will send you a link to join, if you wish to. The benefits of being on the ChurchSuite App / accessing it via the web is that you're able to set your own preferences of what personal details you are happy to share with the congregation, so they can contact you. Due to GDPR we cannot hand out the CCW database anymore, so this is a useful and secure platform for being able to contact each other. You can also indicate your availability for ministry rotas for teams you might be serving on.
- Our CCW ***Instagram page*** can be found here.



12:12 Concise Prayer Pointers for October

1. Give thanks for the blessings, favour, life and freedom we have 'In Christ' and pray about what the Lord is calling you and CCW to in this season. Pray for new opportunities to share your faith with family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues.

2. Give thanks for all that the Lord is doing in, and through, ChristChurch. Pray for opportunities to introduce Christ and CCW to others during this month and throughout the Autumn.

3. Continue to pray about the start we have made in Brynteg. Pray that our influence and impact will grow and that we would connect and engage well with the community.

4. Pray for the leadership team, staff, small group leaders, ministry team leaders and trustees, for godly wisdom and wise stewardship throughout this year, and especially in this new season.

5. Pray for God's continued blessing upon our ministry, mission and finances and that they would all be directed to honour Christ and make Him known.

6. Pray for our Sunday celebrations and midweek small groups that they would be effective in supporting, strengthening and stretching the faith of all who attend and also fruitful in sharing faith with others.

7. Pray for God's peace and prosperity in our city (*Jeremiah 29:7*) and that the city gates and people of Wrexham would increasingly welcome King Jesus and His Kingdom.

8. Pray for greater (wider, deeper and broader) unity across the churches of Wrexham (*Psalm 133*).

9. Pray for God to continue moving powerfully by His Spirit right across Wales and the UK, so that the spiritual awakening that is happening will gather strength and pace. Pray that God would call people back to Himself and for them to find a spiritual home at CCW.

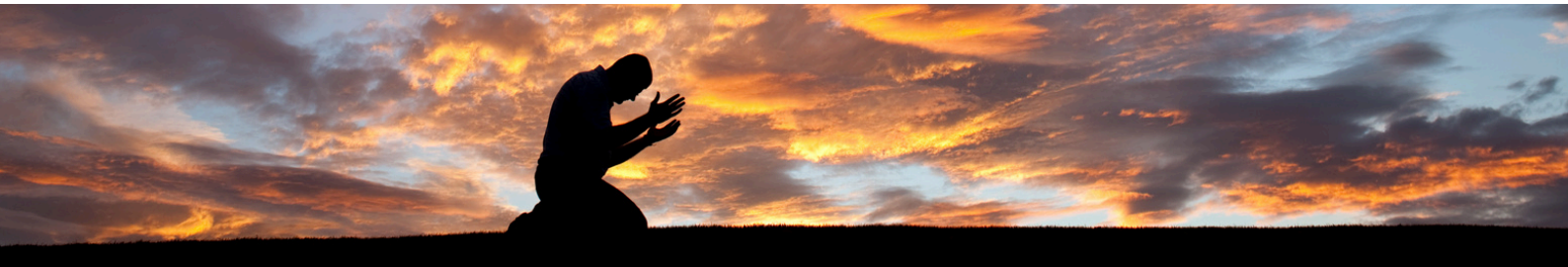
10. Pray for the UK government and also for the devolved governments of the home nations, that they would make greater room for God's kingdom in our nation.

11. Pray for the persecuted church around the world, that they would find strength from the Lord to stand strong and steadfast, persevering in the faith. Pray particularly *for Christians in sub-Saharan Africa* where persecution from militant extremists groups is intense.

12. Pray for peace in our war-torn and deeply divided world, and especially for the Middle East, Sudan and Ukraine.

"Prayer is the greatest power God has put into our hands for service." – Mary Slessor

Kneel in prayer, Rise in power.



Prayer Diary for October

1 Pray that everything will run smoothly on our Launch day coming up on Saturday, pray for the teams running various parts of the event, for *Xplore!* visiting us with harvest activities and for everyone involved. Pray God's blessing and protection over the day and over all who come to visit us.

2 Pray that seeds of hope and love would be sown in the community of Brynteg and God's love and grace would be known. Pray for growing relationships with the centre staff and other user groups and tenants. Pray that God would prepare the hearts of the people we will meet, that they would be open to the gospel and to God's love. May they see God's love in all we do and say.

3 Pray for our public launch day at Brynteg, our worship and fellowship together and that the Lord would bring new people in to visit us in the afternoon. Pray for every new person who walks through the door, that they would find God's hope, beauty and love in this place.

4 Pray for our Sunday Celebration today with creative zone: Sue will be sharing with us. Give thanks for and pray for Lesley and the Tiddlers group, and for the Youth Club and Junior Church teams. Pray for them, for volunteers to help, and pray for new people coming along.

5 Pray for God's Kingdom (salvation, healing, deliverance, justice, joy, peace) to come in greater measure in our City and Borough, and for God's peace and prosperity in Wrexham. ***Jeremiah 29:7*.**

6 Pray for the leaders & staff as they meet tonight for the CCW Tabernacle & Worship Review.

7 ***Join us at 7pm to pray on Zoom*.** Pray for the Venings in Panama and the Kahwagis in Lebanon - for the Lord's presence and power to be the hallmark of their ministries. Pray for Jo Dunbar as she ministers in HMP Berwyn with Message Trust Wales.

8 Give thanks for and pray for George our Financial Administrator, and Richard who helps him.

9 Pray for God's kingdom (justice, joy, peace) to come & for His will to be done in and through our lives, in our city, in this land of Wales, across the UK and right across the globe. *Your Kingdom Come, Your will be done.*

10 Pray for greater unity and togetherness in our church and across the Wrexham churches. *'A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.'* ***John 13:34*.** Pray for our CCW trip to Powys Castle today.

11 Pray for our Sunday Celebration today: Gareth will be sharing with us - *Predestined to Sonship*. Pray for ***Christians Together in Wrexham***. Pray for God's guidance as we prayerfully seek God's will and way forward, and how we can most effectively share God's love with the City of Wrexham. Pray for the provision of a new Chair for CTiW. Pray for the Leaders' Business meeting this afternoon.

12 ***Take part in and lift before the Lord our 12:12 day of prayer***. *Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.* ***Romans 12:12***.

13 Pray for those who are grieving, that they would know God's presence and His comfort. Pray that they would know the Hope that comes from Jesus. 'The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit', ***Psalm 34:18***. 'He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds'. ***Psalm 147:3*.**

14 ***Join us at 7pm to pray on Zoom***. Pray for our Leadership Team [Gareth, Rob G, John, Andrew & Elizabeth. Pray for wisdom, strength and spiritual resilience.

15 Give thanks for and pray for Andrew and Elizabeth as they support a number of people pastorally; alongside their extended family. Pray for peace, strength, wisdom and grace for them.

16 Pray for our CCW Trustees; Frank, Gareth, Rhys, Richard and Elizabeth, as they take care of the many responsibilities of running a charity. Thank God for His faithfulness in providing for us and pray for His continued blessing upon our finances.

17 Pray for and thank God for those who give up time and energy to serve and minister at ChristChurch in

varied roles on a Sunday. ***Pray about whether God is calling you to a particular ministry within CCW.***

18 Pray for our Sunday Celebration with communion today. ***Pray for one or more of our global links.*** Pray for Ukraine, Iran, Sudan, Lebanon, and other nations in the midst of war and conflict in these days. Pray for the governments of the UK and home nations, that they would make greater room for God's word, will and ways in our nation.

19 Pray for ***Wrexham Foodbank.*** Foodbank distributed around 9600 parcels in 2025 to those struggling to afford basic essentials and donation levels coming into the Foodbank warehouse have depleted. Pray for those working hard to help people in our community, for more volunteers and for desperately needed donations of food and finances. ***You can find out more here.***

20 Pray for the ***Alpha Course*** starting on Sunday 25th October and for Gareth & Jean leading it, and those who will be attending. Prayerfully consider if the Lord is leading you to invite someone along and attend with them.

21 *Join us at 7pm to pray on Zoom*. Pray for family and friends that have drifted away from the Lord, to be drawn back into the heart of Christ's love, light and life. Pray for those we know who are currently studying at Universities, especially those in their first year at Uni.

22 Pray for those who are struggling with difficult ongoing situations. *"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart".* ***Jeremiah 29:11-13.***

23 Give thanks for and pray for Gareth our Senior Church Leader, and Jean as she supports him. Give thanks for and pray for Huw, our Digital Ministry Coordinator, and for Lesley and the family who support him.

24 Pray for those recovering from or awaiting operations and medical procedures. Pray for those in our church family who are not currently able to be with us on a Sunday morning. Pray for those feeling isolated, that they would feel able to open up and allow others to support and lift them up. Pray about who you can reach out to and encourage today.

25 Pray for our Sunday Celebration today: Gareth will be sharing with us about God's abundant grace. Pray for the Father's heart of compassion to be poured out through the Compassion Ministries in our city and borough. *'The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness'.* ***Psalm 103:8.*** Pray for the start of our ***Alpha Course*** tonight.

26 Pray for the nation of Wales. Pray for another nation (or nations) that the Lord lays on your heart and for the persecuted church. Pray for Martina & Tony in this difficult season of their lives.

27 Keep praying for healing, grace and strength for those dealing with ongoing health problems and difficult situations. Pray for those who care for others.

28 *Join us at 7pm to pray on Zoom.* Pray a blessing upon each church in Wrexham, that the Lord would bless and establish the work of their hands and do more in them and through them, than they could ever hope or imagine. Pray that each church would have a powerful witness in the area they worship in.

29 Pray for John and the worship team as they minister to us. Pray for the Holy Spirit to move amongst us during our times of worship. *'Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs… enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise, … for the Lord is good and his love endures forever… '* ***Psalm 100.***

30 Pray for Kori & Sylvi and the church they lead in Abony, Hungary and also their work with the Apostolic Church of Hungary.

31 Give thanks for and pray for Honor our administrator, and for Rob who supports her.

The Vital Ministry of Prayer as a Church Family

➡️ Our monthly ***12:12 day of prayer*** - "Rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer." ***Romans 12:12***. ***You can sign up here.***

➡️ Our prayer time together at 10am, before our Sunday celebration

➡️ Our 1st Sunday prayer - 15 minutes prayer walking around the neighbourhood near Brynteg Memorial Centre, following our Celebration

➡️ Our CCW Wednesday night ***prayer meeting via Zoom***

➡️ Our ***monthly prayer diary***

➡️ Our ***prayer pointers*** on the website to help guide you in your prayers

➡️ There's a digital version of the ***Wrexham City Prayer Diary*** on the ***Prayermate app.***
You can choose which feeds you follow (there are loads of resources on there including ***Operation World*** and ***Open Doors prayer diaries***), and set the reminder to suit you. When you get the reminder, click on the notification and it will give you your daily prayer lists.

True prayer is a way of life, not just for use in cases of emergency. Make it a habit, and when the need arises you will be in practice. - Billy Graham



Summer Camp Adventures

This summer I went to two different camps as a service crew member, that means I helped out wherever I could but also served meals and washed up afterwards. I enjoy this very much because I find it a very rewarding experience serving other people and being able to see God work through adults and children alike, on family camps and junior camps.

There are a lot of places where you can see God work and I think camp is one of the places where you can see it most prominently. It's an environment where everyone is encouraged to interact with God frequently and it's a safe space for people who have been Christians for the majority of their lives, or people who are beginning to explore their faith or for those with no faith at all.

But I've also seen this in myself during these camps, personally I've found camp very helpful when exploring my faith, from the fun bits to the deep bits where you may find it difficult. There are so many people who are there to support you and chances are somebody has been in the same position you have been in.

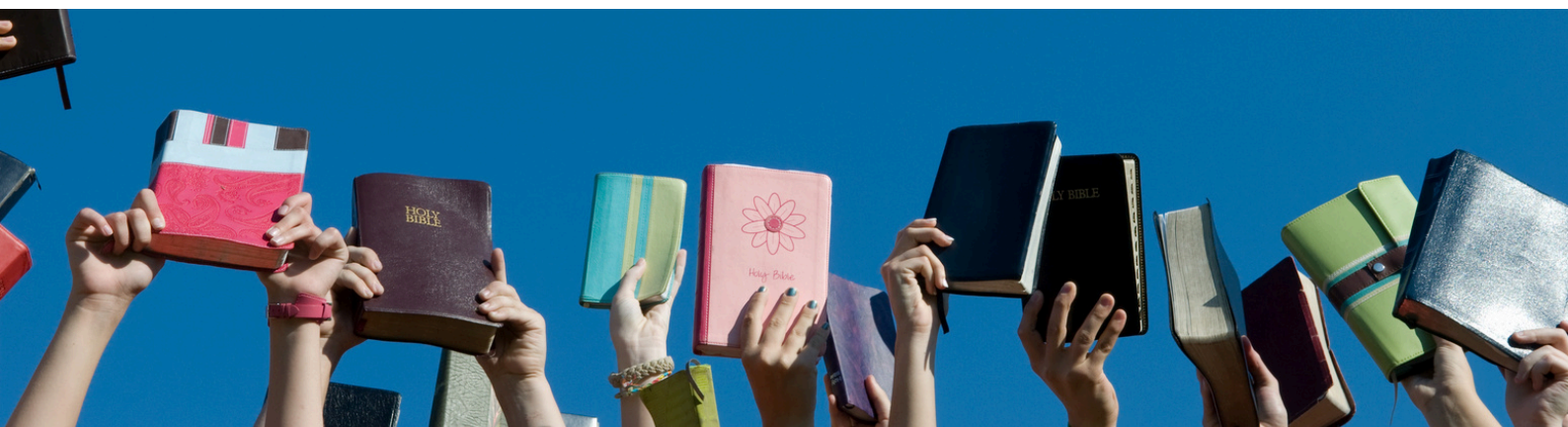
I've been going to camps for a few years now and I can honestly say that it has changed my life. It's amazing to me that I might be able to change other people's lives and see it happen through the amazing work that's happening from God through these camps.

~ Sion Ap Dewi

Another year, another Family Camp! This year it was full of fun with just the right amount of chaos. Families joined in with the activities, games and worship with joy and some much needed competitive spirit!

There were plenty of shared meals, chatting and in depth praying, with everyone seeming to be having a good time. One of my personal highlights was our talent show. The comedy, card tricks, singing, dancing gorilla, ear dancing, gargling and yodelling were only a few of the talents on display and our families did us proud. Overall, Family Camp 1 was a memorable camp and I'm grateful to God for all He did whilst there.

Lesley Ap Dewi - CCW Youth & Children's Pastor



Our Summer Series





No Greater Life





embracing God's design forwhole-hearted love



The 'greatest life' begins with the 'greatest love' and there is no greater love than that of the love of Jesus. Our response to His love and sacrifice must be at the heart of everything we do.



Written on the No Greater Life collage, by our Church Family

Be helpful
Enjoyment and fellowship
Family - it's all about love
God's love is all around us
Choose life with Jesus every day
Jesus is made of Love
Don't complain, love God, accept change, pray and listen to Him
It's all about love!
Love your enemies
It's somehow important for us to be broken
before the beautiful perfume is released
Life with Jesus, fellowship with others
Love your family and friends
Choose Jesus in every moment
Pass the message on
A blank cheque
My desire is to tell others about Jesus and
encourage and pray that they come to Him
I can always choose optimism because Jesus is with me.
Choose life with Jesus
Continue with our caring responsibilities
because that is what God has called us to do.
Connecting more with others and reading the Bible
Choose life with Jesus every single day
Love God with all my heart
Think before I speak; God first
Be bold and tell people about Jesus
The people had to do something different to get to Jesus
[Mark 2:1 -12, the paralysed man - Paige]
The woman with the jar of perfume gave everything to Jesus
Jesus is enough

"I am the way and the truth and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6


You must LOVE the Lord your GOD
NO GREATER LIFE
with all your HEART
HEART
SOUL
notes
Jesus is enough
Enjoyment and fellowship
Jesus told him: "I am the way, the truth and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.
-John 14:6
notes
Leave inadequace behind
all your SOUL
My desire is to tell others about Jesus & to encourage & pray that they come to him
I can always CHOOSE OPTIMISM because Jesus is with me
CHOOSE LIFE WITH JESUS
JustPark
Be bold & tell people


all your
MIND
life
abundance
Be bold & tell people about Jesus
STRENGTH
Jesus is mad & Love
Love your enemies
MIND
& all your STRENGTH

Mark 12:30

Gareth & Jean's Adventures in Hungary with Kori & Sylvi & their family
24th - 28th September

Thank you for all your prayers while we've been in Hungary. Everything has gone well, including the travel and we are on our return journey now.

Highlights have been spending time with Kori and his family and the wider leadership team over food, during ministry, for teaching and prayer times.

We also really enjoyed the youth on Friday and the English camp students. It was such fun to play mafia and bingo with them and also to share testimonies and pray with some of them after.

We enjoyed worshipping with two churches on Sunday and praying with folk after the services. We've already heard of people that were healed at the healing meeting on Saturday night,





so that gives us great encouragement, and even greater joy that one person was saved that evening too. We had a special time with a family from the Abony Church this morning. The husband is unable to leave the house due to a neurological, life limiting disease and we shared communion and prayed with him and his wife. It was a very special time.

It was sad to say goodbye to Kori and Silvi and we look forward to returning next year.

Many thanks, blessings,
Gareth & Jean <><

ChristChurch Wrexham Overseas Mission Partners

Kori & Sylvi Pinter ~ Abony, Hungary



We met and partnered with Kori and Sylvi in 2015 and have been working with them, and the church they lead, ever since, by sending over short-term mission teams (normally at least once each year).



Kori is an ordained pastor with the Apostolic Church of Hungary and he leads a church In Abony. Kori also ministers in other Apostolic Church churches and he has some responsibilities with their theological training.

The church in Abony is growing steadily and they are seeing people respond to the gospel in encouraging ways. They recently moved into new larger premises which is evidence of this.

Fouad & Julie Kahwagi, Ichthus missionaries in Lebanon



Fouad and Julie moved to Lebanon in 1994 setting out from Camberwell, an Ichthus Congregation in London. For the first few years they were seconded to an Assemblies of God church while they found their feet. They started a meeting in their home in the Beqaa Valley.

They then moved to Beirut and started an Ichthus Church in their home there. The Church is called *Jesus Prince of Peace Church* and after more than 30 years they have managed to establish two main congregations in Beirut and Zahlé and have workers in other parts of the country too. They have worked for many years with widows and refugees and their focus is very much on the poor and marginalised. There is also an active youth ministry.

Leading a church in Lebanon right now is deeply challenging due to all the unrest and conflict in the Middle East.

Mark & Sue Vening ~ Missionary Work, Panama



Mark and Sue are missionaries with YWAM and have been serving since 1995. They spent over twenty years in Wrexham setting up and leading a YWAM base there before following the call to serve in Panama.

Since 2022 they have been living and serving with YWAM in Panama - which is an amazing privilege. The country is a gem amongst the nations of Central America and the people, with their variety of cultures and languages, are a blessing to serve. They are working with the indigenous population of Panama and also hosting different YWAM teams. Although it is a challenge to live by faith, we can honestly say that the Lord has never, ever let us down - just ask us for some incredible testimonies!

Open Doors ~ Arise Africa Campaign

Violence against Christians in Sub-Saharan Africa is unprecedented – and it's driving people from their homes. Open Doors estimates 16.2 million Christians are displaced. Many are persecuted for their faith. The very survival of the church is at risk – unless we act. Your support is urgently needed. ***Take part in the prayer campaign and sign the online petition.***

Violent persecution in Sub-Saharan Africa is on a scale never seen before. Christians are being murdered, raped and kidnapped. Islamic extremists target believers and want to destroy the church. Churches in Sub-Saharan Africa are calling upon the body of Christ around the world to stand with them, as one, to stop the violence and start the healing.

Our goal is to join them in raising a million prayers and petitions to strengthen African Christians and bring the world's attention to the violence suffered by followers of Jesus in Sub-Saharan Africa.

tearfund

ChristChurch are long-term supporters of Tearfund and our regular monthly gift to Tearfund is directed to supporting the ***Tearfund Team in Nepal***. This helps to resource work through Tearfund church partners in different Nepalese communities. Tearfund is also the first Christian humanitarian charity we would look to in responding to any international emergency appeals.



From Jo Dunbar, working in HMP Berwyn with The Message

INSIDE STORIES

As I reach the one-year mark of starting my role as a prison outreach worker with ***The Message***, I am deeply grateful for all God has done in that year.

I'm also deeply grateful for those of you at ChristChurch who are part of that story because of giving financially and praying for me and the prison.

And I'm grateful to you for allowing me space to share testimonies, stories, and works from the men – I hope that as I do, they will build your faith and encourage you as they do for me!

"I can't believe I'm doing this.
Like, actually reading this out loud for you to hear it.
It's ... crazy what God has done."

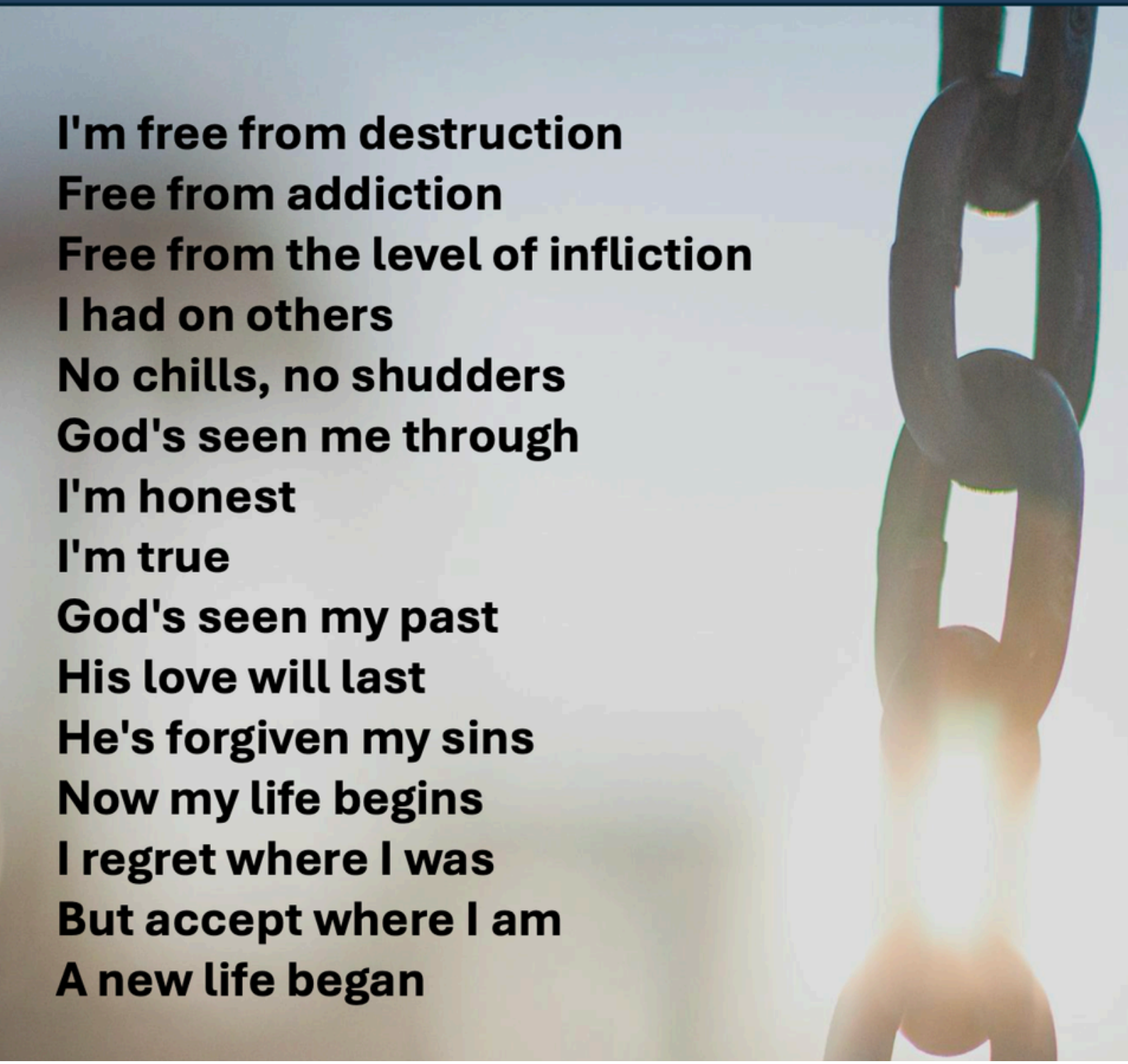
Seven months ago, O couldn't read much more than Key Stage 1 reading. Biff and Chip for the win! During our Spring Alpha though, he responded to a word I had about God healing people of learning disabilities like dyslexia and giving people the ability to read who hadn't had opportunity to learn, or who had struggled with school.
O was one of the seven men who was healed / given that gift (wild, right?!)

He began to enjoy reading for himself, but lacked confidence to do it aloud. Last Thursday though, I met him for a one to one Bible study and mentoring.
He independently found all the Bible verses and asked if he could read each passage aloud for himself, instead of me reading them for us.
Part way through one passage he stopped to say he couldn't believe he was voluntarily reading out loud, and gave thanks to God.

It's a real joy to see not just that initial miracle, but the ongoing healing of the wounds, fears, and ungodly beliefs surrounding his abilities, and to see him delighting in reading and speaking out scripture and desiring to live for Jesus.



INSIDE STORIES



ABOUT THE SPOKEN WORD:

I met D on the wings earlier this year and have had the privilege of watching him come to know Jesus, get baptised, engage in discipleship, sing with the choir I run, and make massive strides in recovery from addiction. I've been walking with him through some bumps and ups and downs.

On the outside he likes to participate in freestyle events, and he tells me he has a YouTube channel with his rap music on it. This is a short spoken word testimony he wrote in one of my groups celebrating what God has done. He'll be thrilled when he knows it's appeared in a church magazine! ~ *Jo Dunbar, The Message*

Read Jo's latest newsletter | ***subscribe to Jo's newsletter***

Supporting Wrexham Foodbank

90,345

The number of three-day meal parcels provided to ensure no one in our community goes hungry since our opening in 2012.

31,185

number of children fed since we opened in 2012.

54%

Households visited our food bank just once during 2025/26.

Wrexham Foodbank are committed to ensuring everyone has access to fully nutritionally balanced food parcels. Your generous support is crucial and makes an incredible difference. Together, we can continue to provide for those in need and make a positive impact in our community.

Wrexham Foodbank would appreciate any support with the following donations below. ***You can bring your food donations to church on a Sunday. CCW will need a new volunteer to take them to the Foodbank once or twice each month from OCTOBER onwards.*** You can also drop donations off at Tesco, Asda, Sainsburys and Morrisons or at the Foodbank warehouse on Tuesday and Fridays between 10-3pm. They are at Unit 3, Edwards Enterprise Park, Rhosddu Industrial Estate, Wrexham LL11 4ZA (the entrance to enterprise park is opposite Howdens).

Help Foodbank expand their reach and raise awareness by following them on their Instagram account.

To find out more please email ***info@wrexham.foodbank.org.uk***

Items Needed:

Tea & coffee
Tinned soup
Tinned fish
Tinned rice pudding
Tinned tomatoes
Tinned meat [spam / corned beef]
Tinned vegetables
Biscuits
Weetabix
Long life milk
rice & pasta

Pet food

Non-food items:

Shampoo
Deodorant
Soap
Toilet roll
Nappies size 3, 5, 6 & 7
Toiletries for children
Household cleaning products
Washing detergent [pods are best]
plastic bags

Everything donated makes a massive difference. Thank you for your continued support. ***You can check what is needed every week via Wrexham Foodbank Facebook Page.***





Richard celebrated his 80th birthday on 21st September!



Happy Birthday To You!

The Big Quiz Night



In aid of Tearfund

Saturday
14th November
7 - 9 pm at
Brynteg Memorial Centre

£10
per team
(max 6
people)



tea, coffee and
cake provided!

For more information please visit
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