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standing for truth saving the lost restoring the broken."

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Bible Reading Texts and Emails – **RESPONSE NEEDED BY TOMORROW**

These will not be sent by text after the end of August unless you opt in to receive them. We have had some issues sending out bible reading texts recently and so will be moving to sending daily bible readings by email rather than text by the end of August. **If you still wish to receive texts, you will need to opt in and let us know before Friday 27th August.** If you wish to start receiving them by text or email let us know also.

Annual Fellowship Meeting & Vision Day

On **Sunday 5th September** we will be holding our AFM, which was postponed earlier in the year due to covid. Please bring sandwiches that day and stay through after the morning service (tea & coffee will be provided). The AFM will start at 12.30 pm until 2 pm latest and we will be considering the question "Where are we going post-Covid?". If you are unable to attend in person, it will also be available on zoom but participation will be limited to text messages / phone calls. Our monthly prayer & praise meeting will be incorporated into the AFM.

Help Needed

- We need around 6 people to help **set out chairs** for Sundays each Saturday evening from 5.45 – 6.15 pm. Please let Alan know if you can help. Text 07775 666869.
- We are planning to re-commence **servicing tea and coffee** after the Sunday morning meeting from 5th September. Groups will be put on a rota to do this, but it would be great if any not in a group would volunteer to take a turn either preparing tea and coffee from 10 am or clearing up at around 12 noon. If you can help, let the office know or text 0785 199 2060
- There are still opportunities for volunteers to get involved in various capacities in the **vaccination centre** - contact Alan/Ruth to be added to the WhatsApp group if you have any availability on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays or Saturdays and can help, or contact the office for more information.

Sunday Services

We are now fully open on Sundays at 10.30am for you to join us in person in addition to the broadcast going out on our YouTube channel. We are allowing for social distancing where desired and there are still seats available so do come along. Children are in for the first half of the service before leaving for their classes and creche is once again manned. **Please wear face coverings** when moving inside the building and when singing out of concern for the safety of others. No masks needed when seated and not singing.

This Sunday Neil Cameron-McIntosh and Karl Duncan are being baptised in water. Come along and celebrate their new lives in Christ with them!



NEW GROUPS: BIG CHURCH READ



We are planning to start the Big Church Read in September. This can be done in your DNA groups, or possibly in some Cell Groups, or by joining a new Group (in addition or instead of your current cell group)

Alan will be leading this new group which will commence on Wednesday 8th September for 10 weeks, as we read together through Patrick Regan's new book on mental and emotional resilience entitled 'Bouncing Forwards'. Whether you do it **in cell groups, instead of cell groups or in DNA partnerships**, we have a few copies of the book available for free or for a donation as you are able, for anyone interested. Others will need to buy the book themselves to participate. **FIRST COME FIRST SERVED!** See Alan for more details.

<https://thebigchurchread.co.uk/bouncing-forward>

NEW GROUPS: Cell Group over Zoom

We are considering forming a new cell group for any who wish to meet exclusively over zoom rather than meeting in person, as cell groups begin to resume in-person meetings. If you would prefer to meet in an internet group rather than your existing group let Alan or John Ranson know.

More dates for your diary



Monday 6th September – Leaders Meeting for all Departmental and Cell Group Leaders and deputy-leaders in the church foyer at 7.30 pm.

Sunday 12th September - Discovery Group for 16s – 30s. More details to follow.

Monday 13th September – An informal opportunity for those who have recently started attending to meet the Elders and have any questions answered.

Wednesday 15th September – Oasis Fellowship will be recommencing in September on a monthly basis. Dates planned for the rest of the year are 13th October, 10th November and 15th December.

Tuesday 28th – Thursday 30th September – Engage Prayer. Details on next page.

Missions Boxes

Missions Boxes will be emptied and counted again early September. Please bring in your missions boxes by the end of August and give them to Ruth Whiffen or Jane Wood.

Easy Fundraising

Elim Community Church, Carlisle has been paid £21.42 by #easyfundraising! Thanks to everyone who's helped make a BIG difference during this difficult time by raising donations for us. If you're not supporting us yet, please sign up now. It takes 2 minutes & 5,900+ shops will donate to us for free every time you shop with them! Visit: easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/elimcarlisle/payments/60fffa399aabe05bbf235517/

Cumbria Adult learning

Cumbria County Council have various courses available for anyone aged 19+ both at local venues and online. Courses they offer include Employability, Skills for Life, Maths, English, Health & Wellbeing and Digital Skills (see adultlearning.cumbria.gov.uk for a full list of courses). If a group of people are interested in a course they are also willing to create something bespoke to meet their needs in a covid safe environment. If you are interested contact Alan or the office.

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Room bookings & general enquiries: Contact **Ruth Whiffen** (Administrator) at the Church office or on her mobile (Tues – Thurs 10.30 am – 2.30pm) ruth@elimcarlisle.org (07964 544893)

Minister: Alan Meyer (07775 666869) alan@elimcarlisle.org

Debt Advice: Christians Against Poverty (0800 328 0006) or our Debt Centre Manager **Jill Wheatley** (07812 524849)

Oasis Pantry: 07838 349561 or contact Gail Meyer (07801 991204)

www.yourlocalpantry.co.uk/find-a-pantry/oasis-pantry/ **Facebook page:** [@ylpoaisicarlisle](https://www.facebook.com/ylpoaisicarlisle)



Ministry Coordinators contact details:

Family Ministry: Jean Ranson (07896 999887)

Youth Ministry: Helena Cowling (07868 595726)

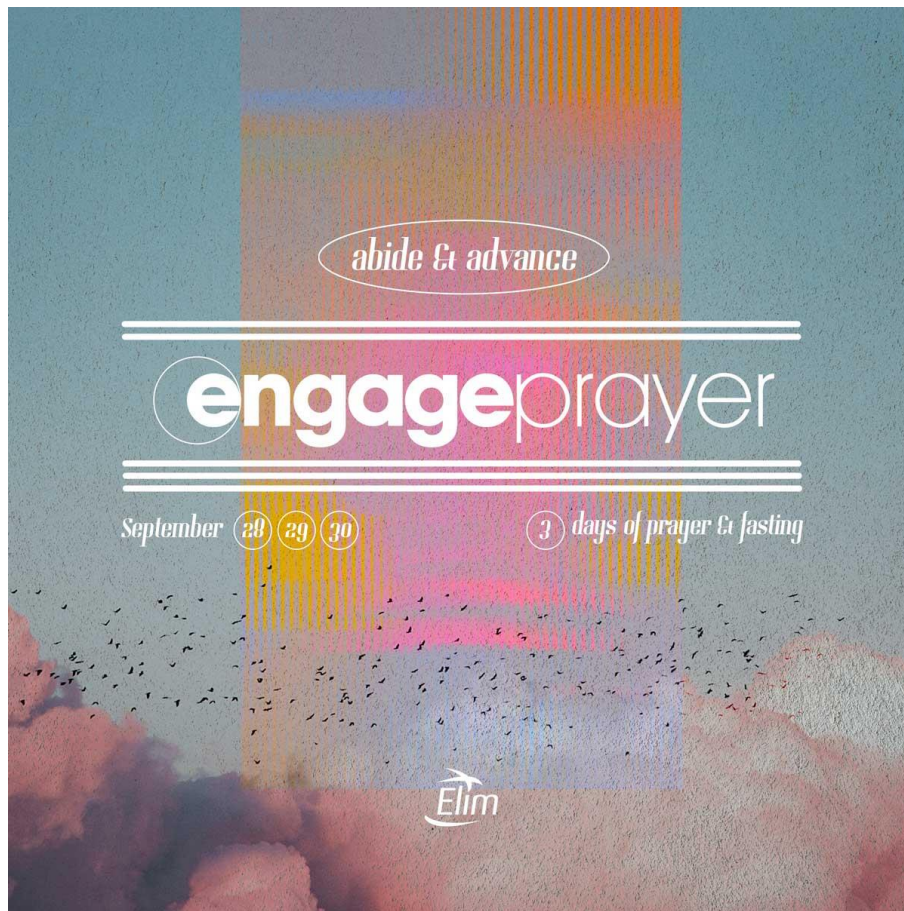
Discipleship: Christine Orr (07905 139107)

Cell Groups: John Ranson (07428 590847)

Giving to the Church can be done in 3 ways:-



1. By standing order to the church bank account – details from the church office
2. Online using our secure online giving facility. Check out our website for details: www.elimcarlisle.org/giving
3. By texting CC004 to 64647 and following the directions.



Engage Prayer – Elim Event

Elim invite us to set aside three days in September to pray, fast and worship together as one movement of many churches across the nations. From Tuesday 28 - Thursday 30 September 2021, there will be various ways to participate together and engage in prayer.

- daily morning prayer and devotions
- engage prayer conversations for equipping
- a live prayer and worship online event at 7.30 pm

There will also be a free downloadable 7-day Bible and prayer plan to encourage everyone to pray together throughout the whole week.

By bringing all our Elim churches together for these three days of prayer, we will have the opportunity to come before God in united purpose and spirit, praying for His Kingdom to come and His will to be done.

Engage Prayer is an opportunity for the whole Elim movement to join together in prayer, fasting and worship. For more information see www.elim.org.uk