



**"Becoming an army of passionate disciples,  
standing for truth ..... saving the lost ..... restoring the broken."**

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## **Church Bulletin 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

### **Discipleship, Nurturing and Accountability groups**

DNAs are groups of 2 or 3 people (of the same sex) who meet together for mutual encouragement and accountability, and are running next week, so cell groups will be closed. If you are not yet in a DNA partnership, why not ask someone else to start one with you? See Christine Orr for more information.

### **Cell Group changes**

As communicated in the email sent out from David on Monday, cell group meetings will be dropping to 2 per month from April, on the second and fourth week of each month. David will be sharing more information about this on Sunday during the 2 services.

### **Discipleship Courses**

Our discipleship course and Vision and Values course will be recommencing on 14<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm in the church. If you are a new Christian, or wanting to know more about the Christian Faith, or are interested in becoming a member of our church, please chat with David or Christine about joining these groups.



### **Baptismal Service**

We are also planning a baptismal service on Easter Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> March. If you have committed your life to Christ but have not yet been baptised as an adult, why not take this important step in your discipleship journey? Chat with David or Christine to find out more.

### **Encounter**

Next week's 'Encounter' will be lunch and news from the Philippines by Pastor David, 1.15 – 2.30pm in the church. Come along and bring your friends! £1 donation requested please.



### **Paul Hudson Weekend**

Paul Hudson is the Elim Regional Leader for the North-East and Midlands and will be with us for the weekend of 16<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024. He will be sharing with all our leaders and leadership academy members on the Saturday morning 9am – 12 noon and will be preaching at both our Sunday morning services.



### **Church Weekend**

We are planning a church weekend from **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April** at Ratlingate Camping Centre. The programme will cover Friday evening, all day Saturday and breakfast on Sunday morning but our Sunday services will be at St Paul's as normal rather than at Ratlingate. Everything you need to know is on page 4 of this Bulletin and paper copies are available at the Information Point on Sunday. The deadline for booking will be **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March**. Please return completed forms to Ruth asap.

### **Phil Whitelock**

It is with deep sadness that we inform you of the passing of Philip John Whitelock last Saturday. Phil has been a member of our church for many years and was loved by many. Our deepest condolences go out to his family and friends. Please keep them in your prayers. Funeral details will be advised when confirmed.

### **Emma Jones funeral**

Emma Jones' funeral is being held on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 12:15pm at Allonby Christ Church, followed by refreshments in The Ship Hotel, Allonby. Please pray for her family and friends as they mourn her loss and celebrate her life.

## Church Database

Thanks to everyone who responded to the email sent out this week requesting that you check your contact details are up-to-date and add next of kin details if you are a regular attendee of our church. If you need a log-in for My ChurchSuite in order to do this, email [ruth@elimcarlisle.org](mailto:ruth@elimcarlisle.org) to be sent an invite.

## New Baby!

Congratulations to Hezzy and Tayo on the birth of their baby boy last Sunday, who they have named Josiah. All doing well!

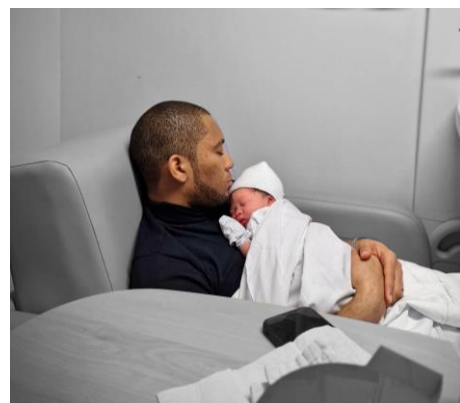
## Limitless Festival

This year there is going to be a significant change in the Limitless Festival affecting Young Adults. Young Adults can come but will need to do so as part of the Festival team or as a young leader for our youth group. This is to ensure the event is as safe as possible for everyone involved. However, it's a late announcement and we're sure this will be sad news for some of the YA who enjoy attending each year.



To be clear we really, really, want you to still consider coming and helping us with our Youth team and there will also be a special venue called The Retreat which will be put on as a hangout for any YA attending. Note that at Limitless, Young Adults are 17-30 years old.

If you have any questions about this then please contact Nick and Thea, details at the bottom of this Bulletin in the contacts section.



## Oasis Food Pantry

**Food Donations** - If anyone would like to donate food items to the Pantry, **tinned fruit, jam and breakfast cereal** would be helpful this month. Please put any donations in the trolley in the foyer on Sundays (shops own brands are fine).

## CAP Money Course

Jane Fearon & David Whiffen will be running a CAP Money course starting on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March** 3 – 5pm for 4 weeks. This teaches basic budgeting skills and a simple cash-based system that really works! If you are interested in attending or would like to know more, chat with Jane or David or contact 07598 157994.



## Abaana New Life Choir Prayer Points

Please continue to pray for Mark Nabula and Shamim Nanyonga, both aged 9 who are part of the **Abaana New Life Choir**, who will be with us in May. The concerts are going well so far with great responses from the audiences, and some new sponsors signed up. Specific prayer requests for the choir are:-

- For healing for 2 of the choir children who have itchy skin, for which the cause is currently unknown.
- That the Irish visas needed to visit Donegal on 8<sup>th</sup> March would come through on time.
- For the chaperone team as they work long hours with the children – it's tiring being on the move all the time.
- that some of the churches the choir are contacting will host the choir and that safe homes for the choir can be found during this part of the tour.



*New Life*  
CHOIR

### Church Contact details – 01228 523991

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**Room bookings & general enquiries:** Contact **Ruth Whiffen** (Administrator) at the Church office or mobile (Mon – Thurs 10 am – 3 pm) [ruth@elimcarlisle.org](mailto:ruth@elimcarlisle.org) (07964 544893)

**Lead Pastor: David Allen** (07753 906727) [david@elimcarlisle.org](mailto:david@elimcarlisle.org)

**Assistant Pastor: Christine Orr** (07905 139107) [christine@elimcarlisle.org](mailto:christine@elimcarlisle.org)

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

**Oasis Pantry:** 07838 349561 or contact **Caroline Lunny** (07799 634601)

**Family & Children's Ministry (ages 0-11):** **Jean Ranson** (07896 999887)

**Youth Ministry (ages 11-16):** **Nick & Thea Weston** (07923 212 107)

**Finance:** **Jane Wood & Ojima Adio** (07531 828289) [elimfinance@outlook.com](mailto:elimfinance@outlook.com)

### FINANCE

**GIVING TO THE CHURCH** can currently be done in 3 ways:-

1. By standing order to the church bank account – NATWEST Bank A/c Name: Elim Foursquare Gospel Alliance (UK), A/C no 28080254, Sort Code 60-05-16
2. By placing your offering in the boxes available at our Sunday services
3. We also have facilities to give one off donations by Debit or Credit Card (although this costs us more as bank charges are higher than with other ways of giving).

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES ABOUT GIVING OR GIFT AID, CONTACT DETAILS FOR OUR FINANCE TEAM ARE ABOVE.**

### EASY FUNDRAISING

Please support Elim Community Church, Carlisle on #easyfundraising today and raise FREE donations with your everyday online shopping at Tesco, eBay, M&S, Expedia, Just Eat and many more! Once you raise your first £5, easyfundraising will double it! Sign up here:

<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/elimcarlisle/AQ7Z28/c2s/SUOTITV7/CE794/facebook/>



### Safe Families Supporter Events

Safe Families have a number of events planned throughout the year for current supporters and anyone who would like to know more about the work they do. The dates are:-

- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 7 – 8.30 pm Sharing stories and an opportunity to pray/reflect (light refreshments provided)
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 12 - 2 pm Lunch time drop in (food provided)
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 7 – 8.30 pm Sharing stories and an opportunity to pray/reflect (light refreshments provided)
- Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 4.30 – 6.30 pm Teatime drop in (food provided)

All events will be held at 108 Botchergate, Carlisle, CA1 1SN.



# Church Weekend

**26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**At Ratlingate Scout Camp (CA5 6DW)**

This year's church weekend gives the opportunity for camping, limited bunk bed accommodation and day visitors. It will run from Friday evening through to Sunday morning before returning to church for our usual Sunday morning services. Day visitors can attend on the Friday evening and/or all-day Saturday.

**For those wishing to stay in dorms, these will be allocated on a first come, first served basis, and will be shared due to limited space** (you will need to provide your own sleeping bags and pillows).

**The programme will include:**

- **Bonfire and smores on Friday evening**
- **Teaching from a guest speaker with separate children's and youth activities on Saturday morning**
- **Various activities on Saturday afternoon**, eg rounders, tug of war, football, archery, crafts, board games
- **Evening meal on Friday, breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday, breakfast on Sunday (for those staying over)**

**How much?**

**Camping / staying in dorms for 2 nights**

- Adult: £50.00 (12 years and over)
- Child: £30.00 (Age 5-11)
- Under 5s FREE

**Day visitors (Friday evening & Saturday – price is for both days combined not per day)**

- Adult: £20 (12 years and over)
- Child: £10 (Ages 5-11)
- Under 5s FREE

## **ADVANCE BOOKING required by 17TH MARCH AT THE LATEST**

To book return the booking slip below to Ruth with your payment. If paying direct to our Bank Account use the following details: Sort Code **60-05-16** Account No. **28080254** Account Name: **Elim Foursquare Gospel Alliance (UK)** Ref: **"Church Weekend"** and send a copy of your booking form to Ruth by email [ruth@elimcarlisle.org](mailto:ruth@elimcarlisle.org) or take a photo and send via whatsapp (07964 544893).

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**NAMES OF ALL ATTENDING:** \_\_\_\_\_

**I / We would like to: camp / use bunk bed accommodation / attend as day visitors** (please delete as appropriate)

**Day Visitors:** I will be attending on Friday ☐ Saturday ☐ (tick as appropriate)

**PHONE/MOBILE NO** \_\_\_\_\_

**EMAIL** \_\_\_\_\_

**No. of ADULTS** \_\_\_\_\_ **No. of CHILDREN AGED 5 AND OVER** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL COST** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

Payment included / paid into bank account (delete as appropriate)