



## What is going on in our churches???

### ***Welcome ...***

This is something new, and we would like your help ... but not too much effort on your part.

I am going to produce a weekly document on Facebook and on the Web Page which says what every church is doing that week.

It might be visits from local schools, community tables, Open the Book, school assemblies, fellowship groups, bible studies, mid-week services ... anything really

The idea is that everyone in the circuit knows what is going on across the circuit and can pray for those events. Also, it may be possible for people to link up when they are doing similar things and share resources ... which means less work!!!! Typically, school visits may be able to share worksheets, and Open the Book may be able to share scripts or even guest stars. And if a group is short one week for a leader, it may be possible to find someone else.

We want to think again about being a collection of churches in a circuit and not just isolated communities.

So, what can you do...?

Tell me about what your church is doing. What I want to know about is the events that you do in your communities. I can only publicise stuff that I know about, and I am perfectly happy if multiple people tell me about the same event. Larger or one-off events will continue to be written up in the monthly circuit bulletin.

Thank you

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### ***What is happening in ... Salem (Cheslyn Hay)***

Salem run a "Coffee Stop" on Monday Wednesday & Friday from 10-4 which is in the church and exists to benefit the community. They also host a successful Boys Brigade for all ages of boys, which does have a spiritual element. Please pray for Salem, the "Coffee Stop" outreach and the Boys Brigade.

### ***... Handsacre***

Handsacre have just modernised their hall into a lovely coffee shop, and are in the process of launching it into the community, and are therefore looking for ideas. They are also running a holiday club from August 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> for primary school children. This is being led by Melody Jones. Please pray for Handsacre as they seek to really push out into their community.

### ***... Penkrige***

Penkrige work closely with the Anglican church, St Michael's, and are jointly hosting their holiday club as they do every year. This is hugely popular and will be a lot of work. Please pray for all the leaders and the children, that everyone has a good time and learns a little bit about following God.

### **... Chadsmoor**

Chadsmoor do a bible study every Tuesday evening in conjunction with St Aiden's. Pray for this as it is well supported and instrumental for hearing God's word into our churches. A new contemporary worship service has been launched by Claire & Simon Parkes which is modern, exciting and gathers both folk from within and outside our church family. This is a new service and would value your prayers.

### **... Chasetown**

Looking at the Chasetown Monthly Messenger, there seems to be a huge amount going on, and yet things go quiet as expected over the summer. Chasetown also run a Boys Brigade for the primary age group, and a men's Regnal group for those who are slightly older. As Margaret Eales steps down from her role at Chasetown, please pray for the church as it moves forward.

### **... Trinity Hednesford**

Trinity, Hednesford have just started to host an "Open Table" which offers sell-by date food freely to the local community. This is actually been run by another organisation, Chase Lighthouse, but is proving very popular. The folk at Hednesford feel that this is God's hand moving to benefit the community. So let's pray and ask for God's hand to support this new venture.

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Now your church is probably not mentioned above. I would love to know what you do, and what the folk in the circuit can pray for. What we especially want to know is how you interact with your community. Have you got any visitors coming to the church? Do you have any specific prayers for your church? Are you about to launch a new project? Is there anything that maybe a couple of our churches can jointly cooperate on?