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Keeping you informed @ Elim Worcester

March 2012



Induction of our new minister

We look forward with great anticipation to the induction of our new minister, Peter Read, & his wife Gill on Sunday morning 1 April. Peter's long-standing pastor & friend David Playle will be with us to preach & be part of their commissioning into their new ministry. There will be welcomes on behalf of us as the local church & the Elim region. Unfortunately it will not be possible for our regional superintendent Gordon Neale to be with us but he'll be sending a senior representative. The service will start at our normal time of 10.30am, and afterwards we would like everyone to stay behind for a 'bring & share' lunch. Do take advantage of this special opportunity to celebrate together & get to know our new minister, his wife & our visitors. Please bring along 'ready to serve' food contributions for the buffet. There will be no Sunday evening service that day, so please make every effort to come along on the Sunday morning to be part of this great occasion.



Leadership Team changes

We're pleased to welcome Lee Curtis onto our church leadership team, having been elected at our annual church business meeting on 14 February to serve as a deacon. Lee is already closely involved in the life & work of our fellowship, particularly in music & technology, & we look forward to his further contributions to the church's development & growth. As previously announced, due to pressures & demands of other commitments, Roger Petheram decided not to stand for re-election this time, & we express appreciation to him for his service in the team over the past 4 years. Ewan Gear, Maureen Mucsi & Trevor McAvoy were re-elected.



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John Smith

We express our loving concern to Leah & her family on their loss of John, whose interment & thanksgiving service took place on Thursday 1 March. We thank God for John's life, & will continue to pray that they will know the love, comfort & peace of God in their time of grief.



City centre evangelism

Darren Edwards & his Encounter team of RTC student colleagues continue to work from time to time in the city centre, reaching out to those in need. Their next Sunday evening evangelistic/healing service takes place in the Crown Hotel, Broad Street, on Sunday 18 March at 7.30pm. Please do pray for them, that they will know God's empowering, wisdom & strength, that needs will be met, & the Gospel clearly presented.



Big Spring Clean

Once again this year we're holding a Saturday morning BIG SPRING CLEAN, on 31 March from 9am to 1pm - ideal for smartening the place up a bit for the induction service & Easter. We need everybody who can to come along & help for as long as you can - just an hour if that's all you can manage. There'll be lighter & easier jobs to do, as well as heavier & more demanding ones, so something for everyone - tea/coffee makers specially welcome!



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If you have internet access, don't forget to visit our YouTube channel at <http://youtube.com/elimworcester> to enjoy hearing/watching some of our recent speakers. Also visit our website from time to time at <http://elimworcester.org.uk>



Conferences

Although too late now to take advantage of the church's block bookings, there's still time to book for the ENABLE conference for men on 10 March at Telford & the ROSE conference for women on 28 April at Stourport. More details from Lee/Jan, who will do what they can to help, but you would now have to make your own ticket (& possibly travel) arrangements.



Active Kids

If you shop at Sainsbury's and don't already have somewhere to donate their Active Kids vouchers, these are being collected for our Poppets baby & toddler group; please put any you have in the box in the refreshment area.



Prayer Times

Don't miss our special prayer times this month; Sunday 4th at 5pm, and Tuesday 6th at 7:45pm.



Finance Officer

After more than 10 years in the role, Pauline Richards has now relinquished responsibility for the church's financial affairs, and we express great appreciation for her diligence & commitment in that demanding role for such a long time. Roger has now taken on the finance officer role, & we thank him for his readiness to serve in that new capacity.



Tithes & Offerings

Thank you so much for your faithful giving in support of God's work. Please don't forget that the church tremendously benefits from giving through the government's Gift Aid scheme; if you give to the church & pay income tax but don't use that scheme, please do speak to Roger.

5 February	£662.70
12 February	£3,842.60
19 February	£697.62
26 February	£1,079.06



Programme for March 2012

Thursday 1st	Bible Study & Prayer Trevor McAvoy - 7:45pm
Sunday 4th	Nelson Makukula - 10:30am & 6pm Special Prayer Time - 5pm
Tuesday 6th	Special Prayer Time - 7:45pm
Thursday 8th	Bible Study & Prayer Ewan Gear - 7:45pm
Sunday 11th	Geoff Richardson - 10:30am Hannah Dawson & RTC Students - 6pm
Thursday 15th	Bible Study & Prayer - Missions focus Maureen Mucsi - 7:45pm
Sunday 18th	Gordon Graham - 10:30am & 6pm
Thursday 22nd	Bible Study & Prayer Trevor McAvoy - 7:45pm
Sunday 25th	Philip Thompsett - 10:30am Matt Town - 6pm
Thursday 29th	Bible Study & Prayer Ewan Gear - 7:45pm



Poppets Easter Party

Poppets Baby & Toddler group are having a Bouncing Bunny Easter Party on Thursday 29th March. This is a ticket-only event, costing £1.50 per child. Tickets are available from Jo Curtis. Please pray for this event, as a great opportunity to spread the true message of Easter.



for your information...

Building facilities...



The main church is equipped with a **hearing aid loop**. Please switch your hearing aid to the "T" setting to make use of this facility.



The main **toilets and baby changing facilities** are located near the rear entrance. A further toilet is located on the second floor, for use by Impact! and Little Treasures. A unisex toilet is also available; please ask a member of the welcome team if you need this facility.



We have limited on-site **parking**. Please be aware that if you have parked on the Aldi car park, this is limited to 90 minutes, and you are liable to a fine after this time. If you are a regular attender it is possible to purchase a permit to park on Lowesmoor Wharf, please ask a member of the welcome team for details.

For children & families...

Crèche facilities are available for **children aged 0-5 (pre-school age)**. This is manned during Sunday morning services, and you are also welcome to make use of the facilities at other times. **Little Treasures** is located on the first-floor landing

Children aged 5-12 (school age) are welcome to join **Impact!**, our children's time, which runs during Sunday morning services. Impact! is located on the second floor.

Families are encouraged to enjoy the beginning of the service together, before children go to their own groups.

Refreshments...



Please stay for free refreshments which are served at the end of the service on a Sunday evening.

weekly activities

Sunday	10:30am	Worship & Communion Little Treasures & Impact!
	6:00pm	Evening Celebration
Thursday	9:45am	Poppets Baby & Toddler Group
	7:45pm	Bible Study & Prayer

other regular activities

Sunday	5:00pm	Prayer Time (1st Sun of month)
Tuesday	7:45pm	Prayer Time (1st Tues of month)
Wednesday	10:00am	Lifelink (2nd & 4th Wed of month)
Saturday	3:00pm	X:ALT Dance & Drama (2nd Sat of month)

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