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Welcome to CoCoChu.....





Click the link to see a recent testimony by Steve (Tims dad) about a friend who he has prayed for over many years coming to Christ during lockdown! Awesome!

All the latest news @ CoCoChu.....

Good Afternoon CoCoChuers,

Intercession

Have included a video this week that Tim's dad, Steve recorded for St Peters Baptist

Cnurch recently. Its a testimony of a very close friend, coming to Christ during the lockdown period. A reminder that God changes hearts in His time but prayer makes a huge difference.

Pete Greig is someone who is known for The Prayer Course Online which you can watch for free online. It very practically breaks down the Lord's prayer and I love what he says about "your Kingdom Come" -Intercession.

One of the famous verses for intercession is **2 Chronicles 7 v 13-14** "When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain or command locusts to devour the land or send a plague among my people. If my people, who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from my wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land".

In this section of the course its clear that intercession is not for the spiritual giants. This is for people who are filled with the Spirit of God and for people who care about people they come into contact with and the world around them and therefore choose to lift those things to God. Afterall, what else is there to do?

We can plead with God for the needs of the world because we care and because we love him. Pete says there is a link between how we pray and what happens in the world. Which is pretty EPIC!



Becoming an intercessor does not just happen overnight. We have to allow the things that God thinks and feels to affect our own hearts. He quotes an American evangelist that wrote a famous prayer. "Let my heart be broken for the things that break your heart, God". That is the heart of an intercessor. The man's name is Bob Pierce and he went on with such a broken heart that he founded World Vision that now has

Pete Greig gives 4 practical ways to do this

- 1. Get Informed on local and worldwide matters
- 2. Get Inspired about who God is, what His promises are and the possibilities
- 3. Get Indignant, God wants some things to happen and they are clearly not happening. Intercession means we bridge that gap.
- 4. Get together with other Christians and intercede and pray together

We are so fortunate at this church to have a community of people who get involved and pray on all sorts of levels. Maybe God is nudging you to join in? Maybe God is wanting you to intercede for all kinds of situations that you care about?

You are only one prayer away from becoming an intercessor and seeing changes happen for real!

What's been going on at CoCoChu virtual office

- We have employed a new cleaner at the church. Its Mel from Laboratory Cottage who will be keeping the building clean. Please give her a warm welcome if you see her.
- We are beginning to get a number of enquiries about building usage from September. We will keep you posted on building use and when we begin to open things up again. But first we must carry out some Risk Assessments etc...
- I have been sorting some filing at the church from when we moved back in January! It was lovely to be in the building again and see some real people :-)
- Jill has been having a good clear of some of her children's work stuff in the filing cabinets and we are trying to make the building space "better" and more usable for young people and make it safe so that Alice isn't having to carry around heavy stuff.
- Alice is preparing for face-to-face youth work, sometime in September and has been considering how that might work with limited numbers.
- I have received my first "Getting to know you" back from David J THANKYOU. Please see notice below and either write or video some information about you. Its a lovely way of getting to know people better when we are not meeting in person. I have found out lots about David that I didn't know before. Will start sharing these from September:-)

Other notices

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Sylvia Darby's 80th

A very big and wonderful Happy Birthday to Sylvia who celebrated her 80th Birthday on Tuesday. With all our love at CoCoChu. XXXX

June Allen's Funeral

June's funeral will be taking place on **Monday 24th August @ 10 am.** Marcus is happy for anyone to attend online via a web link which can be provided. Please contact Katherine if you would like the details by phone or e-mail.

Next Sunday

There will be no online service on Sunday 30th September. Our next service after that will be 6th September via ZOOM.

Last Sunday

Jill continued in our series on Psalms for people under pressure. Psalm 42/43 - It's here if you missed it Psalm 42/43 by Jill.

This Sunday

ASLAN kids groups @ 10 AM

Aslan Time in August

Kids time during the summer holidays will be a little different. It seems like a great opportunity to enjoy what other churches have been preparing for their children so we will be streaming kids services from Gas St church in Birmingham. They are a 20-minute slot packed full of fun, worship and teaching. So log on as usual at 10.00 and enjoy. The Bible focus will be Parables of Jesus.

Maechelle is leading Aslan time this Sunday.

There will be no Zoom kids time on August 30th (5th Sunday no service) but we shall be back together with our autumn programme on Sept 6th.

ZOOM @ 10.30 AM

Ruth is hosting this Sunday.

Paul is making his debut appearance this week and will be sharing from our "Psalms for people under pressure" series. Psalm 91 - God's protection.

We are really looking forward to it...

Heres the Zoom Link for Sunday:

<u>https://zoom.us/j/841926331</u>

To dial in by phone: 0203 695 0088 and enter the meeting ID

followed by the #

The meeting password is: 290236

Loads of pictures below from Alice, Amy and Aron (The A-Team)

Lots of CoCoChu Love xxxx

Loads of fun @ the Colwall Youth Project!







I would like to start a new newsletter series in September called 'getting to know you'. As we are not meeting in person, I thought we could get to know each other better by answering a few questions, with a different person each week and learn a little about peoples walk of faith, what keeps them close to Christ.

I would love as many people to take part as possible. If you would like to take part please can you reply to this email over the next few weeks with a picture of yourself and the answer to all of these questions. I think this would be a great way of getting to know new and old school members and to build community.

Here are the questions:

- Name
- Occupation
- Favourite food (as always at CoCoChu)
- Hobbies, how you enjoy spending your free time
- How you became a Christian?
- What keeps you close to Christ?
- Favourite verse?



Conections ...

We would like everyone in the church to feel connected and loved. If you would like to chat to someone or need some help please do get in touch with David and Mary Jarratt who will be our first point of call for pastoral needs on 01684 540882.

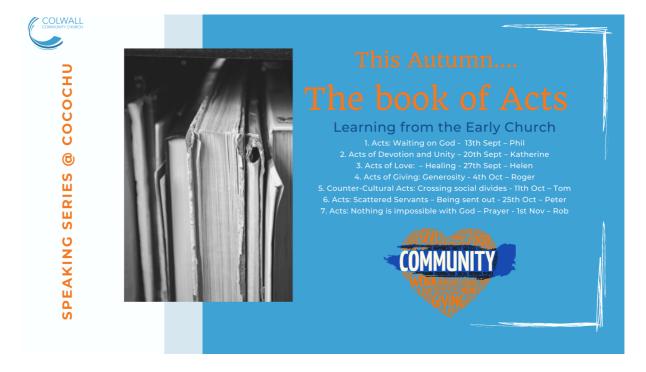


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Bank details if you need them are: Colwall Community Church 09-01-54 73133709.

By everything I did, I showed how you should work to help everyone who is weak. Remember that our Lord Jesus said, "More blessings come from giving than from receiving." Acts 20:35

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