



Meetings planned

Sunday 2nd
 10.00am Sunday School & YP
 10.15am Prayer meeting
 11.00am Morning Service
 ~ John Kerr
 6.00pm Fellowship meal & communion
 ~ Matt Gamston

Monday 3rd
 9.45am Toddlers ~ 'I am the light of the world'
 6.00pm Pins and Needles

Tuesday 4th
 10.30am Women's meeting
 ~ Hilda Gamston
 7.00pm GN ~ Tasos Karafotias

Wednesday 5th
 6.30pm JF ~ Christmas challenger

Thursday 6th
 9.30am Prayer time for evangelism
 10.30am International Living Room
 3.15pm Calton Bible Club
 7.30pm Discussion groups

Friday 7th
 7.30pm International Living Room

Saturday 8th
 4.00pm Christmas Tea

Sunday 9th
 10.00am Sunday School & YP
 10.15am Prayer meeting
 11.00am Morning Service
 ~ Phil Jones
 6.00pm Evening Service
 ~ Matt Gamston

Preaching Away



Today

- Matt Gamston at Coopers Edge Baptist this morning
- Phil Jones at Southgate Evangelical Church this morning

9th December

- John Kerr at Matson Baptist in the morning



Welcome Visitors!

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If you are visiting us today, we give you a very special welcome.

- Please pick up a **welcome card** and **welcome leaflet** from the back of the church or by the front door.
- We have a **staffed crèche** during the morning sermon for pre-school children. The services are also relayed into the entrance hall.
- A sheet for children (or adults!) to fill in during the morning sermon is available to pick up from the back of the church.
- We do video our services for members who are unable to meet with us. The DVDs are not for general use.



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Things to note

Thursday @7.30pm

This week we will be dividing into **small groups** to think more about this morning's sermon and then to pray. Pick up a copy of the discussion questions from the table in the entrance hall or find them on the church website. **Everyone is welcome.**

Christmas Tea

Invitations for the Christmas Tea on **Saturday (8th) 4-6pm** are now available on the table in the entrance hall. Who could you invite?

Special Church Meeting

A Special Church Meeting will be held here on Thursday **13th December 7:30pm** to consider applications for **baptism and church membership**. This will be followed by a General Church Meeting. Both are for church members only.

Funerals

A Thanksgiving service for the life of **Maureen Billingham** will be held here on **Friday 14th December at 11.30am.**

A Thanksgiving service for the life of **Bertie Uzzell** will be held here on **Thursday 20th December at 2pm.**

Carols by Candlelight.

Christmas is approaching with great speed! We're busily preparing for the two carol services to be held on **Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd December at 6pm.** Invitation cards are now available and we're also advertising the services on social media so please invite people to come. Please pray for the necessary preparation for these services, for many to come and hear the Good News and that God will be glorified as we celebrate the birth of His Son.

Gloucester City Mission Christmas hampers for the homeless

Any of the following items can be put in the boxes in the entrance hall to contribute to this (before Monday 3rd December): Soap, flannels, shampoo, shaving cream, deodorant, razors, small jars of coffee, small bags of tea bags, drinking chocolate, chocolate and soft sweets, packets of soup, Pot Noodles, small packets of sugar, mince pies/cakes, scarves, hats, gloves, socks, Christmas crackers.

NOTICE BOARDS

When did you last read the reports, etc. on the notice boards in the entrance hall! There is always lots of useful information displayed. It seems that most **notice boards** in organisations, including churches, are passed **unnoticed!**

There are a number of **missionary prayer letters** on the boards, and currently three acknowledgements of **gifts** for our encouragement. There is a letter from **Barnabas Fund** that is worth a read, as well as a good report and a photograph of the **October Drop-in-Camp.**

The "Drop-in-Team" write: "We, the entire Drop-in team, are grateful for your unceasing support and prayers. This year's camp would not be possible if not of God's providence in using you as our partners!"

And the officers from **David Mukhia's** church write: "This is an acknowledgement for the gift of **376,046.25 Indian rupees** towards our church construction project. We, as a church family, would like to thank you for your prayer, encouragement and generous gift. (This) has made us enable to take our **construction project** into the next phase."

So why not make a point of checking each week what is new on the boards and on the tables? If there are any letters you would like to have, you can always ask one of the Welcome Team to photocopy them for you.

Philippe and Morgane have their last Sunday with us today, before returning to France this week. **Both** received a certificate from **Redcliffe College!** Check the Notice Board in future for news of them, God willing, in Cameroon!