

Serving at CHBC

Thank you for all the ways that you serve at CHBC both seen and unseen. As we plan our ministry rotas for next few months please let Helen Thomas know if there are any dates from April - June that you know you're not around so we can create the rota with as few clashes and gaps as possible.

Fairtrade fortnight is now on! Please make a special effort to buy Fairtrade products and support workers and farmers to get a fair price for their produce.



Prayer survey - hopefully you'll have received a link by email about our prayer survey. This is your opportunity to give your comments, thoughts and ideas about prayer at CHBC. Please speak to James if you've not received the link.

Free tickets to the Big Church Day out! CAP are looking for volunteers to help out at their coffee stands at either the 27-28 May or 2-3 June event. If you know of anyone who'd enjoy this music festival and might be interested in this opportunity please call 01274 760720

Happy Birthday!

Janet Aveling – 2nd March, Rabi Molta -3rd March
We hope you had a good time 😊

Praying for each other during this week:

6 th March	Natoyo Johnson
7 th March	Justin Joseph
8 th March	Simon Joseph
9 th March	Beatrice Kambasha
10 th March	Laurel King

Welcome

Welcome to our Service.

Our service today will be led by William Mwaura and our Pastor James Thomas will speak on 'Commissioning'. The Scripture is Acts 13:1-3 & Joshua 1:1-18

Junior Church & Crèche

Our children join us for the first part of our worship then leave for their groups at approximately 11am. There is a crèche for children aged 0-4, and junior church is in the back hall for 4-11 year olds.

Prayer

Would you like to be prayed for? Perhaps you're struggling with ill health, family or work issues, or you'd like God to move in a new way in your life. There is joy and peace when we pray together, so if you would like to be prayed for, please speak to one of the leaders or to James, one of our prayer team (wearing yellow badges), or the stewards.

5th March 2017

Prayer focus on Tajikistan

In Tajikistan, Christians are seen as extremists because they practice religion outside of state-sanctioned structures. Please pray that this perception would be changed.

“Sahat” was arrested just a few days ago. He was approached by a stranger who began talking to him. Sahat shared the gospel with him, and the stranger seemed interested and asked about the source of his information. Sahat answered that he could learn more about Jesus from the New Testament, but as soon as he took the New Testament from his bag to give it to the man, he was arrested – the stranger was an officer of the security services.

More and more restrictive legislation has been imposed in the last two years, and churches that are active in evangelism suffer raids, threats, arrests and fines.

Please pray for God’s wisdom, grace, strength and discernment for Christians in Tajikistan, and that the country would become more open to the gospel.

Praying for our church and community

Leaders at CHBC – please pray for God to be raising up leaders for our fellowship. We have our AGM in just over a month...please prayerfully consider who you might wish to nominate for serving in this role.

Those people within our fellowship who are struggling with health issues and aren’t able to come and worship with us, including: Douglas & Eunice Ruddock, Dennis & Doris Doe, Daisy Gordon.

This week (Mon 6th – Sunday 12th March)

Tuesday:	Morning Prayer	6.30am, prayer room
Wednesday:	Noah’s Ark <i>(Parent & toddler group)</i>	10am-12pm, back hall
	Prayer meeting	8pm Back hall
Friday	Police drop-in session	10.30am Back Hall
Sunday	Morning Service	10.30am

A special thanks to everyone who helped out with refreshments and setting up for John Holmes’ funeral. The family were very appreciative and grateful for the effort, care, love and attention that CHBC showed them at this difficult time.

Alarm system – last week the alarm system was replaced and we have replaced the number codes with key fobs. If you’re a keyholder and you’ve not received your new fob please see James today.

Garden waste collection for Barking and Dagenham is now a £40 annual charge. Sign up at www.lbbd.gov.uk or call 0345 520 7007.

Whalebone Safer Neighbourhood Team is holding a drop-in session at CHBC on Friday 10th March, 10.30-11.30am. It's an opportunity for local residents to come and meet their local neighbourhood police team and raise any questions they may have.

Church meeting & lunch – Sunday 9th April. (Please note the change of date, it was originally 26th March but this is Mothers Day)

Celebrating our diversity – where are you from? It’d be great to find out more about each other’s backgrounds and cultures, maybe share food, music, songs from other places. James is creating a list of all the places we’re from so please talk to him about where you’re from.....