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Newsletter



Thought – Requirements

Some people think that whatever happens they will never be able to live up to the life of a true follower of Jesus. They say something like, “There’s no point in trying” or “It’s too late for me”. Other people think that by attending one or two church services a week they are fulfilling all that is required of them. They think that by doing so they become *good upstanding Christians*.

What does God require of us? The answer comes from the Bible: “To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God”. We must always try to do what is right, but at the same time we also need to learn to love mercy (for all the times when we fail). Above all we should walk humbly with our God.

There is no way we are going to change our lives all by ourselves, and just dropping into a church service once or twice a week isn’t really going to make the difference. Walking with God is a way of life!

One way to remind ourselves is by remembering the 3 **R**’s (back to school time!)

Read God’s word the Bible,

Reach out to him in prayer and praise, and

Realise that he is with us all the time. God will change our lives for us!

At the Bethel we always try to encourage each other as we make the effort to walk with God. We all need encouragement and we all have a duty to encourage others, whoever we are. So come and join us!



In Focus – Our Bible Class

When is it?

Thursday evenings 8 o’clock until 9.30

Where is it?

In our Sunday School room behind the church (corner of Henrietta St. & Cranbourne Rd.)

What is it?

It is a time to study the Bible and get to know who God and Jesus are and how they want us to live. We cover all sorts of subjects, from going through individual books of the Bible to prophecy and current affairs to how the first churches dealt with the same problems that churches all over the world have today. We also have evenings devoted to prayer.

What happens?

There is no set pattern for Bible class. A different person leads each week, so the format is always varied. There may be a talk involving some discussion, or a short talk followed by smaller groups of discussion and then some feedback, or it might take the form of workshops where each group looks at something quite different within the theme and then presents it to the rest. Sometimes we use drama and art to help us understand things.

Bible class is not only a time for stimulating discussion but it is also a great chance to get to know people.

Why don’t you come along and find out for yourself?

Sunday evening Services at 6:00 pm...

DATE	SUBJECT	SPEAKER(S)
Sep 3	<i>“I Believe... in God Almighty maker of heaven and earth”</i>	Jack Fitzgibbon
Sep 10	Something topical	Lionel Taylor
Sep 17	<i>“I Believe... in Jesus Christ the son of God our lord”</i>	Ben Twelves
Sep 24	TBA (To Be Arranged)	Trevor Standeven
Oct 1	Excuses, Excuses...	Martyn Ramsden
Oct 8	<i>“I Believe... in the forgiveness of sins”</i>	Andrew Campion
Oct 15	<i>“Why Jesus matters to me”</i>	Tony Tasker
Oct 22	Science and Religion	Steve Eichorn
Oct 29	TBA	John Downer

Special Events:

- Saturday 28th October – “**Knock Knock**” Youth day
Look out for the Flyers coming through your door in a month or so. (+ See web site)

Regulars:

- Sunday
 - Breaking of Bread Service 10:30
 - Sunday Bible School 2:45 (From Kids aged 4, up to Adult Discussion Group)
 - Evening Service 6:00 (See above for details)
- Tuesday
 - Junior Youth club 6:45
 - **FREE** - *Learn to Read and understand the Bible* - 6 week course. From 26th Sep every Wednesday at 7:00 pm at Chorlton Adult Education Centre. For more details or to book ☎(0161) 286 6471 Bible Courses, Freepost NWW1240, Manchester, M16 1SL
- Wednesday
 - Young Peoples Bible reading Group 8:00 (Held at Various homes)
- Thursday
 - Bible Class 8:00
- Friday
 - Senior Youth club 7:30

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