



ELIM CHRISTIAN CENTRE

14th July 2024



MAKING JESUS REAL: THROUGH PRAYER, PRAISE AND BIBLE TEACHING

Loving God. Inspiring Others. Reaching Out.

Welcome to ECC

Pastor Steve and the Church Leadership extend to each one of you a very warm welcome. If this is your first time here, you are very welcome. We will be spending time praising God and listening to teaching that is relevant to our lives. It is our prayer that God will touch you, inspire you and excite you in a very powerful and incredible way.

10.30am MORNING COMMUNION AND CELEBRATION SERVICE

A special welcome to Eddie and Avril Lawrence. Eddie will be sharing the Word with us this morning.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO JOIN US FOR PRAYER EVERY SUNDAY IN THE BACK HALL AT @10.20AM

1 MINUTE PRAISE: 'GIVE ME STRENGTH'. How often have you said the words 'Give Me Strength' in recent weeks? Having just spent two weeks on holiday with the Grand children [1 and 3 years] those words were on mine and Debbie's lips a lot. Especially having to entertain the eldest grandchild every day. We all need strength to face each day and God's strength is what will help us to either; *tolerate, cope, endure, pull through, overcome* or just simply *to keep going*. Apostle Paul knew this only too well in his most challenging moments in his life and ministry. **Read 2 Timothy 4:17a** and then for **1 MINUTE** spend time **praising God** because this is when we receive God's incredible strength *for life*. It's good to praise. Be Blessed. *Pastor Steve*



Please make sure all mobile phones are turned off or on silent during the service. Ta

Tea and coffee are served **AFTER** today's service. Don't just have a 'cuppa' chat to others too. Enjoy.



Prayer Topics for your Prayer Time

Pray Without Ceasing [1 Thess. 5:17]

- † For Charlie [Diane's Grandson] that his heart will become stronger with time
- † For John Hunt [racing commentator] whose wife and two daughters were killed this week
- † For the new PM Keir Starmer and the new Labour Government
- † For stability in France due to their General Election
- † For Colin and Lyn who have both had a fall recently
- † For those who have been affected by the Hurricane in Texas
- † Pray for those with mental health issues, suicidal thoughts or those living with depression or anxiety.
- † The ongoing plans for our Church Weekend Away at end of August
- † The MediaServe team as they produce and distribute Christian literature around the world.
- † For Mark Pugh, Elim's new General Superintendent
- † For church pastors and church leaders
- † Our Youth [Fearless] and Children's Work [Kingdom Kids]
- † New people / families at church
- † Our Family Support Project [Foodbank]
- † Empower [Men] and Real Women
- † Cell Groups Leaders & those who attend
- † Elim Missionaries around the world especially John and Rachel in Paraguay
- † Church leaders: Alan, Eileen & Ricardo.
- † Our Church finances

If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain, please contact Debbie on:
07557917866

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK...

Tuesday

7pm Rupert and Suzy's Cell Group

Thursday

7.30pm Worship Group practice

Next Sunday

10.30am Morning Communion and Celebration

FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- **Fri 30th Aug – Sun 1st Sept 2024**
Moorland's Church
Weekend Away
- **Saturday Oct 5th @ 7pm [in Church]** 'Out of the Ashes'
Gospel concert.
[R&B, Jazz, Blues]
[This will be a paid event. More details to follow]

QUOTE for the WEEK:

My CONCERN is not whether God is on our SIDE, my GREATEST concern is to be on GOD'S side, for God is ALWAYS right. **[Former US President, Abraham Lincoln]**

PSALM for the WEEK:

Psalm 62:5

MOORLANDS 'CHURCH WEEKEND AWAY' IN AUGUST

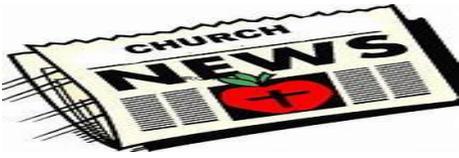
If you still haven't paid the full amount, please can you do so ASAP to Debs or Eileen. **Many Thanks.**



ALL CHANGE

All Change is an old saying that was used by bus conductors in getting passengers to leave the vehicle at the end of the bus route. All Change. All Change can also be used to describe our nation currently, as once again, the UK has yet another Prime Minister. That's the fourth PM in the past five years and of course, a new Labour Government too and for the first time in fourteen years. All Change. And with Labour promising to make Britain 'a fairer and greener country' and 'restoring hope' to a fragile nation, will inevitably bring about more change, that's if Keir Starmer's article in Labour's manifesto, 'My Plan for Change' is to be believed. All Change. And the recent passing of the Queen saw King Charles take over the throne in 2023 as the Royal family underwent much transition. All Change. And having been watching the tennis over the past fortnight, it's amazing how many of 'the old guard' are no longer around with the younger, more sprightly players taking over. All Change. And with the new football season only a month away, there will be many fresh faces too, on and off the pitches, notably at Liverpool and Chelsea, with respective managers Klopp and Pochettino moving on to pastures new. All Change. And with the Euros football final taking place tonight, there will once again be a new name on the trophy as holders Italy, were recently knocked out of the tournament. All Change. Change is everywhere. It's part of life. Without change it's impossible to move forward and experience new, greater, different and better things. Furthermore, I love change; it's healthy and liberating. However, many people don't like change or can't cope with it or struggle to adapt to it, as it can bring instability, anxiety and fear. Which is why it's good to know that in our ever-changing, unpredictable world along with our often erratic, chaotic and fluctuating lifestyles, Jesus says in Hebrews 13:8 that, *'He is the same yesterday, today and forever'*. In other words, Jesus never changes. He is always consistent, constant, true to His Word, reliable, faithful and trustworthy which can't be said of the many politicians and governments today, and with governments constantly 'coming and going', it's comforting to know that Jesus is here forever, which is so reassuring in times of adversity and uncertainty. Yes, Jesus never changes, which is why we can always count on Him to deliver what He promises when so many political parties fail to deliver on their promises in their manifestos. Moreover, these wonderful lyrics, *'Yesterday, today, forever Jesus is the same, all may change, but Jesus never, glory to His name. Glory to His name! Glory to His name! All may change but Jesus never, glory to his name'*, are such simple words but so strong in meaning and so encouraging in turbulent and changeable times. Blessings. *Pastor Steve*

ELIM is part of the world-wide **Pentecostal Movement** that traditionally emphasises the Foursquare Gospel. This is a commitment to sound preaching and teaching that **proclaims Jesus Christ** as **'Lord & Saviour, Healer, Baptiser in the Holy Spirit and the Coming King'**.



CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

If you have been attending *ECC* for *three months* & would like to come into membership, then please see Pastor

FAMILY SUPPORT

If you or someone you know needs food, then please see *Graham or Debbie* or contact *Graham on 07952294407* or *Debs 07557917866* for more details. Also, we are always in need for more food or money to help with the Family Support. Thanks. *Pastor*

URGENT NOTICE FOR MIDGET

[Under 4's]

We still need helpers to help look after the children during the sermon. If you can help with this work, please let me know. Thanks. *Pastor*

TALKING HEADS

Talking Heads Coffee Morning meets *fortnightly* on Tues from 11am in the upstairs lounge

PASTORAL CARE

Carmen's contact number is **07766 453137** if you need to contact her.

SAFETY NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS

Please make sure your children are not left unattended during the service to avoid any unnecessary accidents. Thanks. *Pastor*

HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion is every other Tuesday @ 11am-12.30pm
[In Church Hall and all welcome]

Please ensure all your valuables [especially ladies with handbags] are with you at all times. We maybe a trusting church but we still need to be vigilant. *Pastor Steve*

CELL GROUPS. If you are interested in joining one of the Cell Groups, then please speak to Pastor or Cell Group Leader or take a leaflet from the back table.

TALENT SPOTTING

If you would like to use your talents for the glory of God [i.e., IT, music, hospitality] please talk to **Pastor Steve**

GIFT AID SCHEME

If you are a taxpayer, then it's in the church's interest for you to sign up and become part of the Gift Aid Scheme. It doesn't cost you anything but makes a **HUGE** difference **financially** to the church. If you are not in the G.A.S then please see **Peter Dennison** [church treasurer] for more details. Many thanks. *Pastor*

PASTOR

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