



# ELIM CHRISTIAN CENTRE

28<sup>th</sup> 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 CELEBRATION SERVICE**

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

**1 MINUTE PRAISE: 'KEEP GOING'**. Remember the Energizer Bunny that was used by Energizer Batteries in recent years, to tell us that their batteries will *'keep on going and going and going'* and way longer than any other battery and gives us all the power we need? However, the Energizer Bunny *'came and went'*, so he certainly didn't *'keep on going'* even if the batteries did. But good news, our *'Energizer God'* will never leave us unlike that untrustworthy pink fluffy toy rabbit, which means we can *'keep on going'* because our Lord is always with us and empowering us through whatever storms we face. Furthermore, I've always got my power from God to help me in life. Sorry Energizer Rabbit. **Read Ephesians 6:10** & then for **1 MINUTE** spend time **praising God** for He gives us His power and strength to face each day and every trial. *Pastor Steve*

**PSALM for the WEEK:**  
Psalms 52:8

**TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW FOR 'OUT OF THE ASHES' CONCERT ON 5<sup>TH</sup> OCT@ 7pm in church.** Please see **Diane** for tickets [£10 adult, £8 child]



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

Tea and coffee are served **DURING** 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]

† Pastor's brother-in-law James who has been diagnosed with aggressive brain tumours

† Diane's brother John who's had a very nasty fall & needs God's healing touch

† The King and the Royal Family

† Pray that summer will be a time of refreshing for those in our church

† For peace in our troubled world

† For PM Keir Starmer and the Labour Government

† Pray for those with mental health issues, or those living with depression or anxiety.

† The ongoing plans for our Church Weekend Away at Moorlands 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]

† 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 and a replacement treasurer for Peter

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

**07557917866**

**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, Baptist in the Holy Spirit & Coming King'**

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK...

### Tuesday

11am Holy Communion  
[Church Hall]

### Wednesday

4pm Fearless [Youth Group]  
End of term party

### Next Sunday

11am Morning Celebration  
[1 Hour Service followed by Bring your own Lunch]

## AUGUST SERVICES / EVENTS

[All depends on rain or shine]

### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August

11am - 1 Hour Service followed by  
Bring your own lunch [hall]

### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August

12pm Meet at Lydiard Park for  
picnic & games [Bring own food]  
[More details to follow]

### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August

11am - 1 Hour Service followed by  
Strawberries and cream / ice cream

### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August

12pm Meet at Coate Water for  
picnic & games [Bring own food]  
[More details to follow]

## FUTURE DATES...

• Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Aug - Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Sept 2024  
*Moorland's Weekend Away*

• Saturday Oct 5<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm [in  
Church] *'Out of the Ashes'*  
Gospel concert.  
[R&B, Jazz, Blues]  
[Tickets available from Diane]



## BELIEF

*'Citius, Altius, Fortius'* is the motto for the Olympic Games that started in Paris on Friday. The three Latin words mean; *'Faster, Higher, Stronger'* which are words taken from Father Henri Martin Dideon, the Headmaster of Arcueil College in Paris in 1894 and words that were originally used at the start of the Olympic movement at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century and which has once again, been adopted for this year's Games. The Olympic Games motto is all about *perseverance, ability, performance and results* and to *excel and succeed* at the highest level. It's also about *stamina, commitment, determination* and having a *'confidence in your ability'* too, believing you can actually achieve the impossible and often the improbable. It's tough to win a Bronze, Silver and especially a Gold medal which comes down to one word, *'Belief'*, but when you have *'belief in yourself'*, anything is possible. This summer, I want to encourage you all to have more belief in yourself. More belief in your ability. More belief in your talents. More belief in your Christianity. More belief in your ministry. More belief in your attributes. And more belief when *'stepping out'* into something new whether at work, church or personally. Too many people today struggle with self-worth or find it difficult to believe in themselves and that applied to Moses in the bible too. When Moses was asked by God at the Burning Bush to go before Pharaoh and demand the release of his people [Exodus 3], He doubted himself and made excuses even though God was with Him. Yes, the great *'Man of God'*, Moses, had an inferiority complex, self-worth issues and even in Exodus 4, Moses was struggling with self-doubt, insecurity and self-confidence when he questioned God; *'What happens if'* things go wrong or I'm not up to it or I can't cope with the challenges you've given me [Exodus 4v1] and similar words to that effect on several other occasions in that chapter too. Sadly, there are many people who are like Moses, who feel either inadequate, inferior or insecure or all three. But in my experience and when we are honouring God with our lives, whenever we step out in faith or step into a new ministry at church or step into a new role at work, God always empowers you, enables you and equips you to do the work. So as the Olympics dominate our TV screens for the next month, be inspired by the athletes and sport stars to have more *'belief'* in yourself and *'Go for it'* and see what is possible. So, get ready to *'unleash the potential within you'* for God has given you a; *voice, talents, ability, personality, character, a smile, hope, salvation and His peace* and all that is a recipe for *'success'* whatever hurdles, challenges or difficulties come your way. Moreover, Philippians 4:13 says; *'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me'*, maybe it's time you put it in to practice! Jesus' blessings. *Pastor Steve*



## 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

REV. STEVE GUNN

## CHURCH LEADERS

ALAN KEEN

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## TREASURER

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