

## Prayer Requests

### LMC Family

Joan Head, Maurice Heather, Mary Howarth, Ruth Howarth, Lynn Baker, Patricia Smith, Tracy, Charlie and Lauren, Paul Webster, Pam Utting, Eleanor Houston, Lily Austin, Phil and Flora Nell Duke (Caroline Duke's parents)

### Friends of LMC

Paul & Janet Wickham, Brenda Fretwell, Elsie Vollmer, Becky & Barry King, Rae & Moran Farnsworth (members LMC choir), Joni from Louisiana, Marion Palmer, Linda Howarth, Brian Watts, Emily Entwistle-Oakley, Wanda Rogers, Lauren, Martin and children George, Ellie and Alexa, Richard Morgan, Gregory Hayes, Wesley Café customers.

### Prayers for World Methodism

Julian Pursehouse, Chair (East Anglia District)  
Ann Swenson, Ecumenical Officer to the Council of Bishops (USA)

### Prayers for the International Church

A community of 7,500 Christians from the Santal ethnic group in Bangladesh have been living in tents for the last 6 months. Their homes were burned down on 8th November 2016 in order to evict them from land on which the Santal community had lived since it was given to them by the British in 1928. The Santali Christians are very poor and have had little opportunity of education. Most of them work in sugar mills. Barnabas Fund is seeking to provide new homes for them and other facilities.

**For Churches together in Loughton**  
St Mary's Church

### For LMC Local Preachers preparing for services next week:

Rev Oseias da Silva and Tom Donoghue (LMC), Tom Donoghue (Winchester Road) and Heather Hall (Woodford)

### Bible Reading - Psalm 5.1-8

Listen to my words, Lord, consider my lament.

Hear my cry for help, my King and my God, for to you I pray.

In the morning, Lord, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait expectantly.

For you are not a God who is pleased with wickedness; with you, evil people are not welcome.

The arrogant cannot stand in your presence.

You hate all who do wrong; you destroy those who tell lies. The bloodthirsty and deceitful you, Lord, detest.

But I, by your great love, can come into your house; in reverence I bow down towards your holy temple.

Lead me, Lord, in your righteousness because of my enemies—make your way straight before me.

### Prayer

Lord, let us not give up your cause, nor abandon your work. Let us not give up the fight. Let us persevere, until we see your kingdom come and enter into your glory. Amen

Francis Asbury (1745-1816)

## The Week

14th May 2017

Loughton  
Methodist  
Church

## Welcome

New friends ... we look forward to getting to know you better; please introduce yourselves after the service and fill in a Welcome Card.

LMC friends ... do introduce yourselves to people you don't know.

**May the Peace of the Lord be with you all**

### This Sunday at LMC

9.00am Prayer Service led by Pam Michaelis  
10.15am Prayers in the Church Hall - All are welcome to join  
10.30am Christian Aid service led by Keith Aldred, including Jenna and Nicole sharing their experiences of refugee camps in Greece

Christian Aid Week marks its 60th anniversary today. Christian Aid was founded after the 2nd World War to help refugees in Europe and our 9am and 10.30am services will focus on Christian Aid and its continuing humanitarian work.

6.00pm Contemporary Evening Service led by Tom Donoghue where we will be looking at an illustration that pictures why a relationship with our God, who wonderfully made us, is absolutely necessary.

Duty Church Steward: 9.00am and 10.30am is Chris Beament  
6.00pm—Sharon Heather

The flowers this week are donated by Mary Howarth and arranged by Marilyn Graves.

Thank you to everyone who is involved in the Services today, we appreciate your time.

### 21st May 2017

9.00am Prayer Service led by Rev. Oseias da Silva  
10.15am Prayers in the Church Hall - All are welcome to join  
10.30am Morning Communion Service led by Rev. Oseias da Silva

### Bible verse for May

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. (John 10.10)

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**Mon-Thur 09.00am to 4.00pm - Fri 09.00am to 3.00pm - Sat 10.00am to 12.30pm**

## WEEKDAY ACTIVITIES AT LMC

Monday	15th	1.30pm 8.00pm	Butterfly Club Badminton Club
Tuesday	16th	10.00am 7.00pm 7.30pm	Toddler Church Sculpture Club Messy Church Preparation Evening (Tower)
Wednesday	17th	9.00am 7.00pm	Prayer Meeting Table Tennis (Wesley Hall)
Thursday	18th	11.00am 11.00am 8.00pm	Girls Group Wesley Café Piano Music Consultation on Worship (Worship Area)
Friday	19th	7.45pm	LMC Singers

## Christian Aid Week is coming - 14th to 20th May 2017

### 'Christian Aid collectors urgently needed

Thank you very much to everyone who has already volunteered to collect for Christian Aid. I am still badly short of House to House collectors during 14th to 20th May, and need more for the High Road on Saturday 20th. Please help.

Keith Aldred 01992 560455 [keith@akaldred.plus.com](mailto:keith@akaldred.plus.com)



**Bible Month** During the 10:30 services Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June – Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July we will be focussing on the Book of James.

'Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom.' *James 3:13*

## Joshua Dhubu School Zimbabwe—Wish List 2017

Here is the wish list from the Deputy Head. If you can give anything on the list, it would be greatly appreciated. There is a donation box in the foyer. Thank you

Please contact Jill Geddes for further information

- \* Posters - with and without print (different year groups)
- \* Phonics posters
- \* Threading beads in different sizes
- \* Jigsaw puzzles for little ones (5-6 years)
- \* Wax pencils
- \* Pencils
- \* Bible story pictures
- \* Skipping ropes
- \* Marker pens
- \* Plastic or wooden letters of the alphabet and sets of numbers



## June Fair –Saturday 3rd June

At South Chingford Methodist Church—3 New Road E4 9EU. 10.00am to 1.00pm. Refreshments, clothes, books, plants, raffle and much more!!



## Loughton Art Trail LifeWorks Exhibition 15<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> May

The LifeWorks exhibition as part of Loughton Art Trail opens tomorrow, 15<sup>th</sup> May in the Studio, and will be open Monday-Saturday, 10am-4pm until 27<sup>th</sup> May. Featuring works from local artists, and works from Ruth Dronsfield and her art classes. Come and see what our amazing artists have produced.

## Ecce Homo Light Lunch– Saturday 27th May

Please join us for a light lunch in aid of the charity Ecce Homo (improving the lives of the vulnerable elderly in Romania) from 12.30pm to 14.30pm in Wesley Café. All welcome.

## "Messy Science" Holiday Club, Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> August – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017.

Children's booking forms are available in the church office. £20 per child (4-13 age group).

## Messy Church Cook's Needed!

Are you able to help the catering team by preparing a meal for Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May? In the Church office are recipe cards and disposable dishes if you can help. Our menu is: Pasta and meatballs; Pasta and chunky vegetable ragu; Apple crumble. Thank you in advance.

**A VIEW FROM THE EDGE:** The bookstall has two copies left of **Leslie Griffiths' autobiography**. Quotes from reviews: 'beautifully written'; 'a magnificent book that should be on all our shelves'; 'a story to encourage and inspire... a remarkable, fast-moving and exciting story of a life given to God...highly recommended'. See Pete Moles, bookstall steward.

## Action for Children Annual Plant Sale - Thank you

Many thanks for all that supported this event, we have now raised £623.28 for Action for Children.

## Film Night—Lighthouse Methodist Church Friday 19th May

The Film is War Room—which is a 2015 American Christian drama film directed by Alex Kendrick. Doors open at 6.30pm and the movie starts at 7.00pm—Free Admission, refreshments available. 120 Markhouse Rd, Walthamstow, London E17 8BQ

## Reflections from April 23rd

Chris Watts and David Hobbs took us travelling through the Old Testament and into the New, in order to find the link from the earliest "House of God" to **our** worship here at LMC today.

As some of our members and friends have asked whether the "reflections" delivered by Chris and David could be made available for further reading, the texts have now been put onto the Church website.—[www.loughtonmethodist.org.uk](http://www.loughtonmethodist.org.uk). If you need a paper copy, please ask the office.

**The Week** If you want to put an item in The Week - please get it to the church office **NO LATER** than midday Thursday each week.