

## Diary

Every Day 1:00 p.m.	Pray for one person for one minute at one o'clock.
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> to Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> October	National Womens Conference 2009 Bethel Conference Centre
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Fasting – Please pray that God will continue to pour out His Spirit on us and that we will start to respond by boldly presenting the good news of Jesus Christ to those we meet.
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 10:30 a.m. Popley Fields	We will be Breaking Bread and sharing testimonies. After the service, we will continue with a meal.
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Ladies Breakfast
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Mens Breakfast
Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Fasting – as Halloween grows in popularity within the UK Culture we need to be praying over this weekend that the strongholds that the demonic forces are trying to establish will be torn down.
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	First Sunday – our Administrative Bishop Eric Brown and his wife Millicent will be with us for our Morning Worship. They will also be joining us for lunch which will be served at Popley Fields.

### Remember

The Open Door Coffee Morning restarted at the beginning of September and has already had a number of new visitors. We need to continue to pray that this initiative to reach the over 50's in our community will be successful.

Please make a special effort to attend as many of our meetings as you can especially the Prayer Meeting and Bible Studies. Sharing time together in Fellowship is important and helps us all to Grow Spiritually.

“We who had sweet fellowship together” Psalm 55:14

# NTCOG NEWS

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*Please read this newsletter carefully, make a note of the regular meetings, the special dates and make every effort to attend.*

## Our Mission

**To present the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the local community in a powerful, practical and relevant way.**

**To encourage every member of the Church to develop their God given ministry and to fulfil their potential.**

## Weekly Meetings

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.  
Popley Fields Community Centre  
Carpenters Down  
Popley  
RG24 9AE

### Monday – Hour of Power

7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

### Home Groups

Tuesday and Wednesday  
7:30 pm

### Thursday – Open Door

10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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## **The BIG MOVE**

On Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2009 Bishop Eric Brown, and his wife Millicent, will be joining us for our Sunday Worship and lunch at Popley Fields. As the Administrative Bishop for New Testament Church of God here in the UK, Bishop Eric Brown is responsible for guiding our denomination during a period of great change in the Church and the society we seek to serve.

The BIG MOVE is the framework that Bishop Brown has given us to help secure what is good, rebuild what we have lost and develop what we need to minister effectively in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

The following details about the BIG MOVE have been taken from the National Web Site ([www.ntcg.org](http://www.ntcg.org)). If you would like to remind yourself about how the BIG MOVE integrates with our local vision then go to [www.ntcog.org.uk/bigmove.htm](http://www.ntcog.org.uk/bigmove.htm).

Please remember to keep Bishop Eric and Millicent Brown in your prayers.

### **Building Committed Confident Leaders**

The Church stands or falls on leadership. Leaders will be committed and confident when they are sure about their faith and their calling, when their finances are in place and their family is secured. They will give excellent service to their church and community when they learn how to prioritise their activities, making allowances for times of rest, relaxation and reflection.

### **Informing and Impacting our Youth**

Our young people are our most precious asset. In them lies the future of our church. Through our programmes and relationships with them they must know, without a shadow of a doubt that they are a part of the church now. How we care for them, how we communicate with them and how we guide them will determine their long-term commitment to the church.

### **Growing Healthy Churches**

What constitutes a healthy church? Is it numbers, finances, programmes or is it the building? All these things are important and have their place, but a healthy church has to be one that is fulfilling the command of Christ to make disciples who in turn will spread the news of His redemptive love.

## **Mobilising the Church for Ministry and Missions**

The paradigm for doing ministry and missions must change. A few people, often working single handed to do the work of the church, will not suffice in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Gifted, talented people in our congregations must be empowered and released to do the work of ministry in the church. The romantic affair we have with missions must stop. Our response to world missions must go beyond an emotional response to disaster or hardship somewhere in the 'third world'. Missions must become lifestyle for our church.

### **Offering Hope and Leadership to our Community**

The church must be the voice of the voiceless. There is a dearth of effective leadership in our community and in some neighbourhood's violence and crime reign. Government and Civic Leaders do not have the answers. It is in climates like these that injustices triumph and the poor and the needy are crushed. Leaders at every level must be trained to serve their communities.

### **Valuing our Women and our Men**

"The Times are a Changing." When the History of our church is fully written, it will be seen that women played a major role in making the church what it is. As we learn to value our women and empower and release them into different areas of ministries, they will play an even more dynamic role in furthering the church's goals. Our men likewise must be helped to fulfil their roles, not only in the church, but also in society as a whole. The next generation of black men must be prepared for leadership now.

### **Evangelising our Communities**

If evangelism is the heartbeat of the church then this vital ministry cannot be left to a selected few, neither must it be a separate event confined to summer seasons nor relegated to the senior citizens of our church. Evangelism must be restored to the priority position Jesus intended it for.

## **Gift Aid**

If you are a UK Tax Payers then the Government will give us 25 pence for every pound that you give so please consider using the Gift Aid envelopes for your tithe and offering.