

NTCOG NEWS

July 2010

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
7:30 pm

Thursday – Open Door
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

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Diary

Every Day 1:00 p.m.	Pray for one person for one minute at one o'clock.
Saturday 3 rd July	Fasting
Sunday 4 th July	First Sunday – we will be Breaking Bread together and sharing testimonies so come prepared. We will be meeting for lunch after this meeting.
Saturday 10 th July	Women's Breakfast
Saturday 24 th July	Men's Breakfast
Saturday 31 st July 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.	Youth of Peace Picnic and Sports Day at Hatch Warren Community Centre. Note: the Special Teaching planned for this date has been cancelled.
Sunday 1 st August	First Sunday – we will be Breaking Bread together and sharing testimonies so come prepared. We will be meeting for lunch after this meeting.
Friday 13 th to Sunday 15 th August	District Youth Convention – Aldershot
Saturday 14 th August	Women's Breakfast
Friday 20 th to Sunday 22 nd August	National Convention – see details and registration at www.ntcog.org.uk .
Sunday 22 nd August	No Service as Popley Fields Community Centre is not available.
Saturday 28 th August	Men's Breakfast

Remember

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

Prayer Plan

We have been actively seeking the will of God about a more permanent place of worship. Last year Barbara and I looked at Chailey Court on Winchester Road it is a fantastic building, has ample space for us to grow and is still on the market.

During our most recent Prayer Meeting it was suggested that we have a period of increased prayer activity using Chailey Court to help us focus our prayer efforts. The plan for the next two weeks is as follows:

Date	Venue	Notes
Tuesday 6 th	Chailey Court	A day of fasting followed by prayer outside Chailey Court at 8:00 p.m.
Monday 12 th	Sister Green's	Prayer Meeting starting at 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday 13 th	David and Linda's	A day of fasting followed by a Prayer Meeting at 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday 14 th	Jim and Corine's	Prayer Meeting starting at 7:30 p.m.
Thursday 15 th	Olu and Busola's	We will combine Praise and Worship practise with prayer starting at 7:30 p.m.
Friday 16 th	Joyce's	Prayer Meeting starting at 8:00 p.m.
Saturday 17 th	Graham and Barbara's	Prayer Meeting starting at 7:00 p.m.
Sunday 18 th	Chailey Court	We will meet for a time of prayer outside Chailey Court at 4:00 p.m.

John 3:16

Possibly the most famous verse in the Bible John 3:16 expresses the heart of the Gospel, God's love for us and the way that our belief (faith) in His Son Jesus enables us to experience eternal life with Him.

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." John 3:16 (NASB)

This is expressed in our Basis of Faith in the fifth statement which says:

Regeneration and the New Birth are wrought by faith in the blood of Jesus.

The phrase New Birth here refers to being "Born Again" the act that Jesus told Nicodemus was necessary for anyone who wants to enter the Kingdom of God (Heaven) in John 3. We are "Born Again" when we:

- Believe that Jesus is the Son of God who died on the cross and rose again.
- Accept that we are sinners.
- Ask God for His forgiveness
- Commit ourselves to serving God (disciples).

All of this requires faith because we cannot physically see or hear God. Faith is difficult to fully explain or understand because it requires us to believe something based on a trust in a spiritual truth for which no real physical evidence exists.

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Hebrews 11:1 (NASB)

To be "Born Again" requires that we reach out in faith, believing that the God we cannot see is there. Once we are "Born Again" we start to see more and more of God in the world around us.

Regeneration is the theological term that is used to describe the change that occurs when we are "Born Again". This change occurs because when we are "Born Again" the Holy Spirit enters our lives and starts helping and guiding us.

Our being "Born Again", and the regeneration that follows, is only possible because Jesus was crucified on the Cross at Calvary. If He had not shed His Blood on the Cross none of this would be possible. We are "Born Again" when we accept this as true and give ourselves back to the God who created us.

Pastor Graham

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.