

Newsletter February 2024



Keep the Peace

God did not create us to be stressed and fearful. We were created to live without fear, knowing that inner peace which results from a sincere relationship with Jesus Christ.

In a dark and complex world people experience insecurity, fearfulness and anxiety, caused by stresses and strains of work and personal relationships. In order to counteract that there's a desire to seek contentment in all sorts of indulgences, some good, some bad.

At our fingertips we have access to all types of advice, news and information through web sites, media outlets and social media platforms. It is up to us to decide what we feed our minds with but we should be mindful that there are things we should avoid and take steps to protect our children from.

If we choose the Bible as our source and we seek God's will in our lives, we can find peace in Christ. We can make the right decisions. We calm down faster. We can choose to be grateful for all God has done for us. We can cool down, *chill out*. That way it's easier to approach our fears and be content in spite of our circumstances.

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid". John 14:27

Bible Studies

We will be continuing our series of Bible studies on the book of Philippians on Wednesday mornings at 10.30am. on the 7th and 14th February.

There is a sign up sheet in the coffee room which will help us to plan how many handouts to make available on the day.

Cornerstone Calendar for February 2024

Sunday Services

4 February: 10.45 am – Morning service (Communion) – Speaker: Bruce Clark

11 February: 10.45 am – Morning service – Speaker: Roger Gray

18 February: 10.45 am – Morning service – Speaker: Brian Elwick

25 February: 10.45 am – Morning service – Speaker: Paul Jackson

Refreshments will be served in the Coffee Room after each service.

Prayer Meeting - Saturday 24 February at 10.00am at the Church

We invite you all to join us as we gather for prayer. As a family of believers, we gather together to give thanks to God for His goodness to us at Cornerstone as we bring our Church fellowship, town, nation and the world before Him in prayer, believing God is going to move in mighty ways.

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:6-7

-
- Trustees and Support Group will meet on 7th February at 7.00pm
 - Elders will meet on 8th February at 10.30am
 - There is a vaccine clinic in the Church on 15th February. Please avoid coming in on that day if you can.

Tots & Co



Tots & Co

Tots & Co will be open on the 2nd, 9th and 23rd February (closed on 16th for half-term). There's no need to book in before the event and there is no charge to come and join in. There is a donations box if you want to contribute to refreshments.

Men's Big Breakfast



The next breakfast is on 3rd February. Please put your name down on the list in the coffee room. Invite someone along to enjoy a good breakfast, meet each other and share in fellowship.

Ladies' Lunch



The next lunch is on 10th February. Ladies, please book your place on the list in the coffee room. This is a great opportunity to invite your friends to Cornerstone to enjoy a meal and get to know each other.

Coffee & Chat



Our next Coffee & Chat session will be on 21st February at Eastfield Garden Centre at 2.00 pm. Come and bring a friend with you. Please put your name on the list so that we have an idea of how much space we need.

For this month our missionary giving will go towards MAF
Their mission - To see isolated people changed by the love of Christ



Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF) is a Christian mission organisation that uses planes to deliver relief workers, doctors, pastors, school books, food, medicines – everything that can only be safely and speedily transported by air. MAF supporters give and pray to make this all possible. A MAF plane takes off or lands every six minutes, the need is huge.

www.maf-uk.org

Any gifts towards MAF can be placed in the missionary box which is by the door as you come into the Church.

Thank you from Caring For Life

I am writing on behalf of everyone at Caring For Life to thank you most sincerely for your recent generous donation [£799.44]. Thank you also for the encouraging words in your letter.

As we have enjoyed the celebrations of the wonderful news of the Saviour's birth this Christmas, our prayer is that every man, woman and child we support who has heard the wonderful news that the Saviour came for THEM, will turn to Him.

Please would you pray for the many beneficiaries who took the CFL Advent Bible Study notes again this year? An audio recording of the readings and the notes was also provided to make them accessible for even more individuals...those who struggle with even basic reading and comprehension. We thank the Lord for the provision of these notes and most wonderfully, this life-changing good news!

Thank you from



Dear Friends,

Greetings in the Name of our Lord Jesus.

Thank you for your recent gift of £50.00 to Barnabas Aid, made on behalf of Cornerstone Church, which has been designated to our Food and basic needs for Christians in Ukraine.

We are so glad that you share our concern for these needy brothers and sisters. Gifts made through the Barnabas Aid make a real difference to people who often have nobody else to help them.

Please pray for the survivors of a terrible Christmas Eve massacre in Plateau State, Nigeria. An estimated 295 people were killed, mostly women, children and those unable to run away from the extremist militias. Around 25 Christian villages were targeted in the carefully coordinated attacks on 24 December, with 1,500 homes burnt, eight church buildings destroyed and 30,000 people displaced. Lift up to the Lord the grieving Christian communities, especially the injured and the newly homeless. Ask that they will be given courage and hope, as Christians in parts of Nigeria continue to suffer violent persecution because of their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Thank you for your partnership with helping suffering Christians.

Yours sincerely in Christ's service,

Church Governance

At the AGM in November it was announced that the Trustees were looking at the policies, roles and responsibilities of the leadership with a view to appointing Elders who would be responsible for overseeing the spiritual work and direction of the Church.

In the Bible - both Old Testament and New Testament – Elders refer to suitable gifted and qualified men. FIEC also endorses this Biblical truth. We are pleased to say that Ian, Roger and Stuart have now been appointed as Elders.

The Trustees will continue to oversee all matters of policy, safeguarding and legal requirements for the operation of Cornerstone's charitable status. Both the Elders and Support Team will continue to work in unity with the Trustees according to the *Basis of Faith*, which is available on the Church Noticeboard together with Church's policy documents. Please speak to one of the Elders or Trustees if you have any questions.

Book Stall and CDs

There is a good collection of books on the book stall at discounted prices.

Geoff Taylor CDs are still available at £5 each (donated to MacMillan Cancer Support).

Bits and Pieces

- Fun Club is closed for the time being.
- If you come into the Church at any time other than scheduled meetings and activities, please can you sign the clipboard list near the foyer noticeboard. This is needed for insurance purposes.
- Harbourside Church will be joining with us for our Good Friday service on 29 March at 10.45am. There will be a buffet lunch afterwards. Please put your name on the list in the coffee room if you are staying for lunch. Our speaker on the day will be Daniel Grimwade (FIEC local director).

If you would prefer to receive this newsletter by email, please let Sara know and she will add you to the mailing list. You can unsubscribe at any time if you no longer wish to receive an email copy.

If you would like to be included in the prayer directory please see Audrey or Sara for a form to complete with your contact details. You can choose how you wish to be contacted and have the option of removing or updating your details at any time.

Contact

Cornerstone Church Bridlington, St Johns Walk (off Brett Street), YO16 4HJ

Email: cornerstonechurchbrid@gmail.com Website: www.cornerstonechurchbrid.co.uk

 Follow us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61552635614682>

Church Secretary: Sara Dean; Phone: 07736 972683

Newsletter Editor: Ian Marson; Phone: 07951 097212

Charity Registration Number: 1173459

© Cornerstone Church Bridlington
