

Telford Christians Together

TOGETHER for the Kingdom

INFORMATION & RESOURCES

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Whole Life Worship

How can our worship on Sunday empower us for the reality of daily life? How do we live for Christ out in the world?

LiCC have produced a resource that will help you to design and lead services that help people experience this rhythm of gathered and scattered life.

Five free animated films to inspire a congregation

These short films (freely downloadable at <http://bit.ly/2w7Yqlo>) can be used in worship services as a way of inviting congregations to discover how our worship together connects with worship in our everyday lives.



The Journey Pack

The films are part of an extensive portfolio of materials (<http://bit.ly/2xfuq7l>) which consists of five complete worship services. They're easy to tailor for your own church context .

Study Guide

Designed for groups to go deeper

Five Bible studies - available on the USB pen above, online (<http://bit.ly/2w7Yqlo>), or in-print (<http://bit.ly/2itgoNE>) offer opportunities to go deeper in exploring the biblical foundations and implications of whole-life worship.

Harvest Festivals

Evangelism Ideas has suggestions for Harvest Suppers, small group activities, a Community Service of Thankfulness and even a Harvest Musical.



<http://www.evangelismideas.org/search.aspx?k=Harvest>

Thoughts for Harvest

A school Assembly on the theme of Harvest designed to be delivered by the children.

<http://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/361/thoughts-for-harvest>

This website enables you to find ideas for school assemblies suitable for both Primary and Secondary age groups.

Away From It All

Mothers' Union are offering families who are going through stressful times an opportunity of getting away on a holiday. Their *Away From It All* breaks provides families with the space to create positive memories together, to build relationships and stressful

Members in the Lichfield Diocese support this project and you can find out more by contacting the local area representative:

AFIA Representative, Mothers' Union Office, The Parish of St Thomas and St Andrew, Doxley, Stafford ST16 1EQ or Tel 07895198746 or Email: lichfieldmu.afia@gmail.com

Parish Nursing Ministries UK

Small things that make a big difference to patient care and this is where churches can help the NHS. It is already happening in 88 churches



across the UK through a relatively new specialty in nursing, called "Parish Nursing." Any church of any denomination can appoint a registered nurse, on a part time, expenses or paid basis, to develop a health related ministry with the congregation and community, from and through their church. The service is provided to people of all faiths and none, but the job description includes being willing to offer prayer where so desired and occasionally home communion too, so it's important that the nurse has a Christian faith. He or she provides leadership to a (DBS checked) volunteer team from the church who help those in need of light social care such as shopping, regular visits, gardening help or transport.

Parish Nursing Ministries UK

(www.parishnursing.org.uk) has a vision that everyone in the UK might eventually have access to a Parish nurse. We promote the concept, develop resources, provide a step by step process for churches that want to explore the idea, encourage research, deliver the initial one week introductory course, offer a quality assurance scheme, and provide ongoing professional support. For a free information pack send an email to

enquiries@parishnursing.org.uk



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in our villages,
towns and cities

Christmas HOPE is a 28-page glossy give-away magazine. It was piloted at Christmas 2016 when 100,000 copies were given away by churches to people in their communities. A new Christmas HOPE magazine will be available in the autumn with lots of new stories and features for 2017.

The aim of Christmas HOPE is to give churches a top-quality give-away to use door-to-door in their neighbourhoods. Churches that use HOPE's rhythm of mission find that regular contact, and a culture of hospitality and generosity helps to build relationships. HOPE is committed to giving churches resources so each member has something to say, something to give and an invitation to offer through a rhythm of mission: Easter, Harvest and Christmas. With Christmas HOPE as something to give, the aim is that Christians will find it easier to say something about their faith and to invite neighbours to Christmas events. To request copies see the link below:

[Tell us how many copies you could us](#)

Open Doors

Open Doors is launching a global, seven-year campaign to mobilise Christians around the world to bring hope to the Middle East. Across the region war and Islamic extremism have caused millions to flee, or endure displacement within the region. Christians face the added threat of being targeted by Islamic extremists, who are determined to eradicate the church from the Middle East. And yet, many of our brothers and sisters are choosing to stay and serve their communities and rebuild their nations. **Open Doors** partners are providing tens of thousands of families with vital aid and long-term support. But their work is hard, and no one knows when the crisis will end. The global church cannot stand by and let the church in the Middle East be destroyed or forgotten.

Please will you take time to look at the website and to consider joining in supporting this campaign and highlighting the issues in your church. As an initial response, please will you encourage people to join 'one million voices for hope' by signing this petition.

<http://advocacy.oduk.org/ea-action/action?ea.client.id=77&ea.campaign.id=54115&ea.tracking.id=Web>