## **TOGETHER** for the Kingdom

Telford Christians Together Newsletter

July 2019

Dear all,

I was talking to a friend recently who had taken his family to a local Food Festival. The admission price was quite expensive, the food was really excellent quality, but again quite pricey. He confessed that they had to leave and eat at the nearest Weatherspoon's. Somewhat ironic?

Yet we can be the same as God's people, to an even greater extent. At the start of his second letter the Apostle Peter writes:

"By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life".

Wow! This is of course one of many examples in the New Testament where the writer is at pains to point out to us all that God has done for us and in us. It's also a gift, a free gift, undeserved, unearned, but that is the nature of God. Yet, do we really believe this? There are many hindrances aren't there? For some of us we don't feel worthy, and feel we have to work to earn God's favour, for others of us we are more independent, and would prefer to do it ourselves.

The Freedom in Christ material defines faith as "Finding out what is already true and choosing to believe it". I really like that!

What has God called you to? Who has he created you to be? Don't lose heart, but press on, learn to lean on Him afresh because:

"By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life".

Our thanks to all of you who gave generously at the North West Telford Churches Together Pentecost Praise for the work of *Engage Schools*. On that night £145 was raised, thank you so much.

Wishing you God's richest blessings,



Shropshire Hope have organised a morning conference which will take place on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July, 8.15am – 12noon.

The theme is **Exploring the Mission of God and what God might be up to in Shropshire.** The event is free to book on Eventbrite at <a href="http://bit.ly/2VEXdlq">http://bit.ly/2VEXdlq</a>. We are suggesting a £5 donation per person at the registration desk on the morning to help cover the event costs. You can also reserve your place by emailing <a href="mailto:info@shropshirehope.co.uk">info@shropshirehope.co.uk</a>

#### SPEAKERS:

- **Robert Mountford** Robert is currently the Ecumenical Mission Officer for the Black Country and Staffordshire, the facilitator of the Mission:Mercia network and lecturer in Systematic Theology at the International Bible Training Institute in West Sussex.
- Chris Densham Chris has been the Ecumenical Mission Enabler for Telford & Shropshire since September 2016. He initially trained as a Pharmacist but following a call to Baptist Ministry he trained in Oxford and then spent 22 years as a Baptist Minister initially in Hoddesdon in Hertfordshire and then Dereham in Norfolk.

Both speakers are excellent, and will seek to reflect on the ways God is at work in a wider context both across the region and in Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin. Robert & Chris will be inspiring, thought provoking and very practical in suggesting how we can better partner with God in His mission to both the County and the Borough.



Our next meeting will be at the start of the School year on...

Wednesday 11th September 2019

13:00 - 14:30 Time?

Where? Meeting Point House











**Pray for Schools** 

**Prayer Lunch** 

Bring your own sandwiches. Cake and drinks will be provided. Please tell your friends

and put it on the

calendar. Let's commit to joining others to

pray for our schools

Contact: Jane england@prayforschools.org



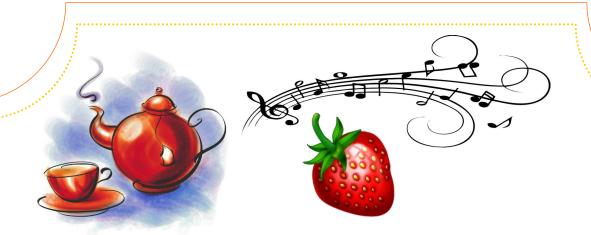




ADMASTON FUN WEEK which is running from the Monday 22nd to Sunday 28th July is a community outreach project. Its main focus is a holiday club that runs during the mornings for children of primary school age. In the evenings there is a range of different events for both families and teenagers. The week is organised by St Christopher's Trust with support from several local churches. More information at admastonfunweek.org.uk

If you have any holiday clubs planned for this Summer please let me know and they can be included in the next TCT newsletter.

Is God calling you to something new? The CAP Debt Centre are advertising for a new Volunteer Debt Coach as well as other opportunities. Please see poster below for full details or contact Jane Preston 07910 779345 janepreston@capuk.org



# You are invited to join us for a Strawberry Tea with organ recital at Wombridge Church

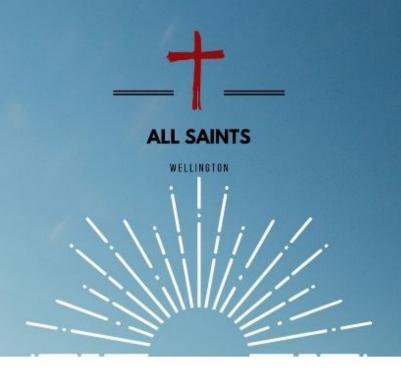
Where? Wombridge Church TF2 6HT When?



Wednesday 17th July at 2.30pm

Who?

All are welcome to join us!



### IGNITE

Saturday 14th September, All Saints Church- Wellington, Telford.

10am-3pm

Day of teaching and worship, led by Mark Aldridge.

Find out more, and book your free ticket at http://bit.ly/2J5j7Fj or via the QR code on this page.

7pm

Evening Celebration- gathering with coffee for a 7:30pm start







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Free entry- an offering will be taken.

#### Is God calling YOU to step out in Faith, To do something different to serve Him?



# Due to the growing need for our services, CAP in Telford offers several opportunities: VOLUNTEER DEBT COACH

Christians Against Poverty run a network of CAP Debt Centres throughout the UK, each in partnership with local churches. Each Centre is run by a Debt Centre Manager who is responsible for the work in the centre and the Debt Coach will work alongside them to help deliver the service of CAP's debt advice. The Debt Coach will work with individuals and families to start off their journey out of debt.

The Telford Debt Centre is supported by a partnership of churches – St John's, Muxton; All Saints, Wellington; Central Telford Parish; Wombridge Parish Church and Dawley Baptist church. It is also supported financially and through volunteers by many other churches across Telford.

Minimum requirement is 8 hours per week. Expenses will be paid.

# JOB CLUB, LIFE SKILLS GROUP or FRESH START GROUP MANAGER

We would love to serve more people in Telford by opening more CAP services.

Could you run one of these or support them as a coach?

More information about what these services do can be found on our website: <a href="mailto:capuk.org">capuk.org</a>

#### Core requirements for all roles:

- Must be a committed member of a local church who is supportive of CAP.
- A strong Christian faith.
- Good administrative and communication skills

An Enhanced DBS check will be required.

For an application pack: email: <a href="mailto:telforddebtcentre@gmail.com">telforddebtcentre@gmail.com</a> or phone the Debt Centre Manager, Jane Preston: 07910 779345

Following local interview, candidate/s will be selected to go forward for interview by CAP at their head office in Bradford.

Candidates will be required to be available for training in Bradford. Training sessions are in the Autumn and Spring.