

## "Daughter Be Healed!"

Please notice and attend if you will the above mini conference to be held from Wednesday, 29th through to Friday lunchtime, 31st October; organised by Joanna and Philippa, just for ladies only.

This will be run by Soterion Ministries and include teaching, prayer ministry and some time to relax. If you are wondering what the word "Soterion" means, it is "salvation" translated as "freedom, liberty and release" (from their website: [www.soterionministries.org](http://www.soterionministries.org)).

## Prayer Pointers ...

- ◆ The Outreach Bus - regular visits to Thirsk on Thursday and Saturday evenings, for the two teams to be established for this outreach ministry and for the open air evangelism on Saturday evenings (Praise & worship, testimonies and gospel message). For people to hear and respond to the gospel - to come forward, to ask questions and to receive prayer
- ◆ Leaders & Trustees meeting on 29th September - please pray as they review this year's Family Camp, discuss the current situation in the Fellowship and as they plan the programme of speakers and dates for 2015
- ◆ Every aspect of our work which needs to be assessed; from Sunday AM & PM meetings through to Prayer meetings, Childrens' Work and Outreach. We must not become stale! Even mice do not eat mouldy cheese!! Also, to reassess how we help those in the fellowship who occasionally fall through the cracks of Social Services, plus family needs and blessings.
- ◆ Please remember the different missions, outreaches and missionaries we support on a monthly basis - and had you thought of writing to them personally? They would be so blest by a personal handwritten newsy letter from you. It would make all the difference. Not forgetting a visit to our local housebound missionaries, Stewart and Christine.

(A list of the missionaries we regularly support is available from the Church Office).

**Hope ...** A rabbi asks his students, "How can we determine the hour of dawn, when the night ends and the day begins?". One student suggests, "When, from a distance, you can distinguish between a dog and a sheep." "No," the rabbi answers. "Is it when you can distinguish between a fig tree and a grapevine?" asks a second student. "No," the rabbi says. "Please tell us the answer, then," says the students. "It is," says the wise teacher, "when you have enough light to look human beings in the face and recognise them as your brothers and sisters. Until then the darkness is still with us." (Food for thought ...)!



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## Jim's Jottings

Even though we are now coming to autumnal weather, corn harvest almost complete and fruit and vegetables in abundance, let us not be discouraged, for, whatever season, we should still sing in our hearts the old song "It's summertime down in my heart". It does depend of course on the diet that we have been feasting on every day; not just bread and cakes, but spiritual food as well.

Now that we all have been away, on holiday or at home, now let us get back into gear with the most important part of our lives. Church attendance and prayer meetings are important to prioritise, but our most important food is what happens at home. Is the bible dusty on the shelf or table? How about daily bible notes to clarify our minds and hearts? Otherwise, a small obstacle on the journey can look like a mountain. Lack of prayer for seven days can make one weak!

For many, as the days shorten practically, we can soon get into "Close the doors" syndrome - put on the central heating, sit on a comfortable easy chair and forget about the world.

Don't do that! There is a major war on quite close (only three hours away by plane) and we have Christians being beheaded, murdered for their faith. What can we do? Pray, pray, pray! "But that won't do much good" says the pessimist. But, how big is your God; how strong is your Saviour; what did He say He will do?

Remember the challenge: "If..." Let's re-commence believing and knowing. Rally the troops - you be the first volunteer, again. Remobilise yourself and together we will make a difference!! Locally!

Jesus commands us: "let your light shine before men ...". Let's not just say it, but let's do it!

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## Programme: September - October 2014

September 5th Philip Sowerbutts and Team (Retford)  
12th David Russon (CEO of AoG World Ministries)  
19th Brian and Team (Horizon Life Training, Killinghall)  
26th David Hathaway (Eurovision - Mission to Europe)

October 3rd Dr. Tony Stone (Stourbridge)  
10th Christine Van Morrison (Harare, Zimbabwe)  
17th Steve Redman (York)  
24th T.B.C.  
31st Angela Weir (Soterion Ministries)

### Prayer Meeting

Restart on 2nd September & Every Tuesday Evening at 7.30pm - Come believing!

### Craft and Chatter

Restart on 10th September & Every Wednesday 1pm - 4pm - Come and join in!!

### Junior Church

Meetings recommence on Sunday, 14th September 2014

### Mission Marts is closing

At the last Mission Mart Trustees meeting it was decided that after many (some 20+) years of successfully raising funds to support overseas missions, that the time has come to cease operating and close down the registered charity.

June Arrowsmith has valiantly led the charge with this from its inception, with significant support and assistance from many people in the Fellowship over many years, but now feels that it's time to bring this to a fitting end. Just over the past five years alone (2009 - 2013) £69,400 was raised and £69,100 was given to support overseas missions. This is an amazing achievement and reflects the vision and passion generated (and sustained) by June over many many years.

On a practical note, **with immediate effect, would people kindly not bring any more items to the barn.** The plan is to close down the Mission Mart at the end of October and then clear out any remaining stock. The registered charity will then be formally closed with the Charity Commission.

Whilst this is the end of an era, it is right and fitting to celebrate the significant success and the many blessings that have flowed out of the work of the Mission Mart over many years. Let's rejoice and celebrate! To God be the glory!!

**ANY PRAYER REQUESTS PLEASE PHONE THE OFFICE ON 01845 587386 TO BE ADDED TO THE PRAYER CHAIN.**

## Short summary of Family Camp 2014

Whether it was because the first meeting was on the first of the month or answers to prayer by the faithful or that everyone had arrived on site, the seats downstairs were full and we even had folk on the balcony which continued all week.

Earl and Cate Green (Russel and Betty Lou's friends) with their friend Bill Gentry arrived on the Wednesday before the start of Camp and desired to be with us all of the camp week. "Simple Faith" singing group were all ready too, so we had a wonderful feast of music and songs from Friday evening through to Sunday evening.

David Bell spoke at the Sunday morning service. Dr. John Andrews took every morning bible study from Monday to Friday on the Camp theme "When Passion and Purpose collide" .... Destiny. David Shearman spoke in the evenings as did Bill Gentry.

The Youth and Children's meetings were also well attended - thanks to our friends from Altrincham and our own volunteers and friends. Thanks to all participants and helpers.

## And now ... Family Camp 2015

### Save the Dates ....

Hollybush Family Camp **2015**: Friday 31st July to Friday 7th August **2015**

Family Camp rota schedule will be available soon ... (so says Roland!)

### UCB Notes For Today

During the past few weeks we, as a Fellowship, have needed to make some re-adjustments and definitions of voluntary staff duties as well as those who need transport to hospital etc.

It is amazing (yet should not be) that for all those who are taking UCB Notes For Today, it has been very heartening, challenging, directing and helpful. And it is wonderful that someone has put those items in the present edition at least three months beforehand. Either this is a coincidence or Holy-Spirit ordained. I believe it's the latter! Thank you Jesus.

**A quick answer ....** The policeman got out of his car and the youth who was stopped for speeding rolled down his window. "I've been waiting for you all day," the policeman said. The youth replied, "Yeah, well I got here as fast as I could." When the policeman finally stopped laughing, he sent the youth on his way without a speeding ticket.