# **Prayer Points and Information**

Let's ask for God's leading and blessing over the next few weeks as we continue the 're:focus' process of reflecting together on where we are as a church, and as we consider how we might engage more effectively with those we meet in our everyday lives.

Monday 3 February is BMS World Mission Day of Prayer. Pray for those who work for BMS and seek to share life in all its fullness with the world's peoples – enabling others to know Christ, alleviating suffering and injustice, and improving the quality of life for many.

Tuesday 4 February is World Cancer Day. Pray that those diagnosed with cancer will receive the right medical treatment, along with emotional and spiritual support. Give thanks for Macmillan nurses, individual counsellors and the growing number of special support centres throughout the UK.

Give thanks to God for health professionals, support staff and carers who work for the physical and mental health of others. Pray for Christians in hospitals, hospices, clinics, GP surgeries and in other community settings, demonstrating God's love in all they do.

Last week saw the start of the Chinese New Year – the Year of the Horse in the traditional Chinese calendar. Pray for all God's people in China and amongst Chinese communities globally. As China is becoming a major superpower in the world, so also the Chinese church is significant to the wellbeing of Christ's people worldwide.

#### CONTACTS FOR CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Tuesday Morning Bible Study	Sue Blake
Wednesday Fellowship	Margaret Carey
Wednesday Evening Fellowship	Charmaine Howard
Girls' Brigade	Ruth Rego
Focus For Men	John Howard
Youth Group	Charmaine Howard

#### **Contacts for Pastoral Issues**

Margaret Carey and Charmaine Howard
Please avoid contacting Charmaine on a Monday, as it is her day off.

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### 2 February 2014

Our congregation is made up of ordinary people meeting together to worship God. We are united in our faith in, and love for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and hope that you sense the presence and power of the Spirit of God as you worship with us.

Refreshments are served after the service, so please stay for a cup of tea or coffee and a chat.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'In your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behaviour in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. It is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil.'

1 Peter 3:15-17

## 2 February 2014

10.30am Morning Worship

Speaker: Hilary Taylor

5.00pm Youth Group

7.30pm **Prayer Meeting** 

## **Regular Activities**

Tuesday	10.00am	Tuesday Morning Bible Study Meets at the church
Wednesday	1.45pm	Wednesday Fellowship Meets the first Wednesday of each month at the church
	8.00pm	Wednesday Evening Fellowship Meets at the church
Thursday	6.00pm	Girls Brigade Meets at the church
Friday	7.30pm	Worship Group Meets at the church
Saturday	10.00am	Focus For Men Meets the first Saturday of each month for a walk and lunch

### 9 February 2014

10.30am Family & Parade Service

Speaker: Charmaine Howard

5.00pm Youth Group

7.30pm **Prayer Meeting** 

# **Notices**

#### **Re:Focus Consultation**

For the first few months of 2014, NPBC is being accompanied by two facilitators — Hilary Taylor and David Priddy — to help us reflect on the strengths and weaknesses of our church, and to identify some areas in which we could focus our mission and activities. This process includes a series of Sunday talks as well as an opportunity for small-group discussion during the week — on Tuesdays at 10.00am and on Wednesdays at 8.00pm at the church. Please try to attend one of the discussion groups so that as many of us as possible might share insights with each other. On Sunday 2 March, there will be a fellowship lunch and a meeting afterwards with Hilary and David for feedback on the process.

#### **Small Churches Newsletter**

Please check out the Small Churches Newsletter on the notice board or on the church website. The Newsletter includes information on the BMS prayer day (Monday 3 February), a retreat day (Saturday 1 March), and a consultation on the future of Home Mission grants which is likely to affect our church.



Wednesday 5 February, 1.45pm Wednesday Fellowship Speaker: Phil Edwards (Hope Community Church)

Sunday 9 February, 3.30pm Short Service at Wimborne Court Led by Northolt Park Baptist Church All welcome • Light refreshments afterwards

Thursdays 6, 13, 20, and 27 February, 8.00pm Sharing Jesus Training Course Held at South Ruislip Christian Fellowship See poster and leaflets in church entrance for information