

Keeping everyone safe... Safeguarding and Health & Safety

Safeguarding

- Pray for the work the safeguarding team do in their respective roles: Elspeth Pitman (Safeguarding Trustee); Kate Harding (Designated Person for Safeguarding); Amy Street (Deputy Designated Person for Safeguarding); Bev Grylls (DBS organiser and verifier).
- Pray for the dissemination and implementation of the updated CBC Safeguarding Policy.
- Pray for the level 2 safeguarding training on 12th February.
- Thanks for all of the CBC volunteers who work with children and adults at risk and for their willingness to participate in the safer recruitment process.
- Pray for the ongoing work in ensuring CBC implements the safeguarding policy to keep children and adults at risk attending our activities safe.

H&S

- A general thanks to God for the proportional legislation we have, and we can love the visitors, church members and staff through doing everything reasonable to identify and reduce risks. It's a spiritual job of showing love to everyone on a church activity.
- Pray that we do a good job of protecting the gospel through keeping everyone safe when they are participating in a church activity.

Maintaining our property - keeping it in good order for everyone

- Thanks for all the resources that we have been blessed with as a church, that they are used wisely and ultimately so that the good news of the gospel is spread within our area.
- Thanks for guiding us through two large property works this last year (The Tynings redevelopment and the hall refurbishment) and provisioning the resources (time, money and expertise) needed to complete.
- Pray that all of our properties are a safe place to be for those using it.
- For help in seeking good and specialist guidance where we need it to help with the repair, restoration and adaption of the church building in the year ahead.
- For help in keeping in control of increasing costs, particularly in regard to rising energy prices this last year and that we invest sensibly in our buildings.

Applying technology... use of tech and website

Technology

- For wisdom in provisioning the Neston congregation with the appropriate technology needed, such as the PA and particularly a suitable projector. For good equipment choices and spending church funds appropriately.
- For unity between all those involved in the technology, PA, sound, projection and worship band at across our congregations. Also for the exploration of a possible new Church Management System (app) to bring efficiencies to those leading and preparing our worship.
- For provision of enough tech volunteers at all services so that each aspect of running our church services is covered adequately and doesn't put too much pressure on particular individuals.
- Equipping people to meet any unexpected challenges that arise.

Website

- That we'd faithfully communicate God's vision for our church through this medium and clearly communicate the changes as our services move times and places this year.
- That members/visitors/anyone would be able to find the information they need when they visit the site.
- Give thanks for those who take responsibility for maintaining and updating the website regularly.
- That we'd find a solution to the audio recordings for sermons.
- For continued protection from malicious activity across the web.

Church finance and administration - using our financial resources wisely and administering church life

Finance

- Continued financial/people resource provision for CBC
- Wisdom for those managing and administering the Church resources
- Prayer that the use of Church finances/resources are firmly rooted in the furthering of the Gospel

Secretarial

- Praise God for the opportunity to serve the Lord through the administration of the church. Pray that each task undertaken will be done in a way that glorifies God, whether it is seen or not.
- Please pray that Ruth will have wisdom in managing her increasing workload and prioritising well.
- Pray that each person who rings or visits the church office, whether it be someone needing information or help, or a company selling something (and even the scammers!) will feel something of the love of Christ in each conversation.
- Pray for safety when working alone, integrity in dealing with the offerings and banking, and grace for every challenge

Talking and hosting... our programme of events and how we communicate

We talk...

- Our public **Facebook posts during October to December** were seen over 65,000 times! This includes a mixture of church family members, as well as people in our local community. Let's be thankful that God is using this online channel to help people find out about what we do at church.
- We post about our services, ministries and upcoming events. Pray that the **messages will prompt people to come along**, and that we can use them in our personal outreach.
- Our private **Facebook group community** has grown - we'd love to see our church family continue to use this to encourage each other.

We host...

- Give thanks to God for a **fantastic Christmas season!** We welcomed more people to our events and services than ever before! But now please pray for those who were touched by the Lord, that they will respond to him and seek him out.
- While not an event, **every Sunday at Neston** is an opportunity and a challenge for us to create an inviting space to worship God and grow as a family. Pray for logistics (set up, tear down, complexities of using a shared space) and for the softer elements (creating warmth in the hall, adequate time to build meaningful relationships, nurturing the family of the new congregation).
- **Easter is coming!** As we consider the opportunities for inviting people in to CBC or going out to them - pray for God's leading! How can we best share his love with our communities in Corsham, Neston and Rudloe?