

Richard's Ramble:

I have been asked by Ground Level to write a paper on the importance of gathering. This is in the light of the fact that, following the pandemic, approximately 1/3 of church members across all denominations have chosen not to return to church but are content with connecting online from home. This may be for a variety of reasons. It could simply be that they are not well enough to return or that they have a condition that makes them more vulnerable. It could be that they have found other things to do with their time that they find more rewarding. There may be many reasons. However, whilst online church has fulfilled (and will continue to fulfil) a function for some people, it is not the same as being in the room, whether on a Sunday morning, in home groups or in other gatherings.

As people, we are created for relationship with one another. It is only in the context of relationship that the body of Christ can truly function. It is only when we are together that real love can be given and received. It is only when we gather that the Holy Spirit can flow amongst us. I may be able to connect with a service on the other side of the world and be blessed by their worship and by the word that is shared, but it is only through relating to brothers and sisters who know my strengths and weaknesses that true discipleship can take place. Online is good, but gathering is better.

God Bless, Richard



Chosen Women Retreat 2022 – SAVE THE DATE

Fri 6th – Sun 8th May 2022

Wyedale Hall, Wyedale

Join us for a weekend of ministry, friendship and fun, making memories together in beautiful surroundings.

There will be worship, prayer, teaching and of course time to enjoy together.

More details and forms to be released soon...



The cost for the whole weekend is £130 for BCC members. **Book and pay by the end of February for a £10 discount.** The cost for friends of BCC is £150. The facility of weekly, fortnightly or monthly payments can be arranged.

Ladies' Breakfast - Saturday 19th March 2022 9:30-11:30am

Finding, Restoring and Keeping your joy.

Bishop Burton Village Hall, Cold Harbour View, Bishop Burton HU17 8QJ

Please come along and bring your friends.

£5 per person. Please see **Helen Bashford** to book and pay for your place by 12th March.

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February at a glance

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| Mon | 31st Jan | 10.00 Oranges and Lemons |
| Tues | 1st | Homegroups |
| Fri | 4th | 10.00 Ladies Bible Study 9.30 Men and coffee 19.00 Quiz Night |
| Sun | 6th | 10.30 BCC Service 18.00 Intercession 19.30 CREW Youth Group |
| Mon | 7th | 10.00 Oranges and Lemons 19.30 Wider Leaders' Meeting |
| Tues | 8th | 19.00 Homegroups |
| Fri | 11th | 10.00 Ladies Bible Study 9.30 Men and Coffee |
| Sun | 13th | 10.30 BCC Service 18.00 Intercession 19.30 CREW Youth Group |
| Mon | 14th | 10.00 Oranges & Lemons |
| Tues | 15th | 19.00 Homegroups |
| Wed | 16th | What The Dickens Book Club |
| Fri | 18th | 10.00 Ladies Bible Study 9.30 Men and Coffee 19.30 Purpose Driven Pint |
| Sun | 20th | 10.30 BCC Service 19.00 Once An Addict 19.30 CREW Youth Group |
| Tues | 22nd | 19.00 Homegroups |
| Fri | 25th | 10.00 Ladies Bible Study 9.30 Men and Coffee |
| Sat | 26th | Up Hill Down Ale Walking |
| Sun | 27th | 10.30 BCC Service 18.00 Intercession 19.30 CREW Youth Group |

Once an Addict – Sunday 20th February

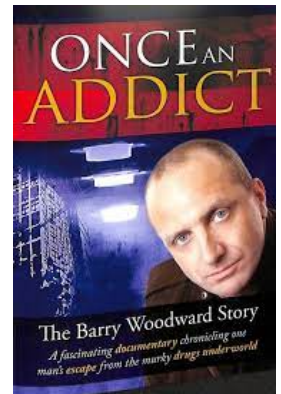
Memorial Hall – 7pm start

A special Sunday evening meeting with Barry Woodward who became involved in the drug scene in Manchester. This led to a heroin addiction and life as a drug dealer. For twelve years he was totally dependent on drugs during which time he served a number of sentences in prison. Miraculously his life turned around completely following an amazing sequence of supernatural encounters.

Barry will share his testimony in an evening ideally suited for those enquiring about their faith.

For further details, please contact **Peter** Spencer on:

peters@beverleycommunitychurch.org or 07971 831599



What The Dickens book club

3rd Wed in month, 7.30-8.30pm

We meet to discuss the book we have been reading the previous month. Always a classic book. (Sometimes some of us cheat and just watch the film).

Contact **Vicki** or **Angie** for more details.

Up Hill Down Ale walking group

Last Saturday in month. Approx 8-10 mile walk, usually followed by a drink in a pub. Led by Mark Norman.

Speak to **Leigh** or **Angie** for more information.



Quiz Night – Friday 4th February

Hall - 7pm for 7:30pm start

Teams to comprise 4 - 8 people.

Questions will form rounds covering a wide range of topics but nothing too onerous. Each team will be able to choose a bonus round in which their score will be doubled.

This will be an excellent opportunity to invite family and friends for an entertaining evening.

Refreshments will be provided.

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