



Richards Ramble:

January is a dark month in every way. The days are short, the summer seems a long way away, and there is nothing immediate to look forward to except the arrival of post-Christmas bills. And yet, in the midst of this darkness, Christians celebrate Epiphany. This is the day on which we remember the coming of the Magi to see "the one who has been born King of the Jews" (Matthew 2:1-12). They followed the light of the star until they found the Light of the World, and when they found him, they worshipped him. This is an amazing story. These men were not Jews. They were from the east, probably Babylon. Maybe their forebears had been tutored by Daniel to expect a Messiah and when they saw a strange star in the sky, they recognised this as the sign that the Messiah had come.

Even today, all over the Muslim world, revelation is coming in dreams and visions to those who are seeking the Lord and leading many to faith in Jesus. May this January lead each one of us into a greater revelation of Him!

God bless, **Richard**

Ladies Bible Study finished off the year with a Christmas lunch at Wydale Hall. This year we have enjoyed great fellowship with trips to York and to a number of exhibitions, we prayer walked the streets around the Memorial Hall and completed studies on "Christianity – A Way of Life" and "Faith that works". We look forward to finishing our study of The Book of James, to more fellowship and to what God has in store for us in 2024. **Ann**



After another successful year of **Men For Coffee**, some of us met up for Christmas lunch at the Green Dragon Pub. Our meetings carried on through the Christmas and New Year period and we look forward to more coffee, tea and chat in 2024. If you would like to join us we meet at 9.30am Friday mornings at Cafe V. For more information see **Tony Anderson**.



Pastoral Support and Restoration Centre

In BCC pastoral support is mainly provided through the home groups, but not everyone attends a home group. Firstly, we encourage you to join a homegroup – it enables you to get to know a small number of people better and to support each other like a small family.

Homegroups mainly meet on a Tuesday evening but there is also the Ladies' Bible group which meets on a Friday morning. There are other groups where you can connect with others including men and coffee (Friday mornings), Up Hill Down Dale Walking Group, What The Dickens Book Club, Crafty Coffee Club and other things which are advertised through the year. The monthly Friday night socials and Slow Cooker Sundays are also great opportunities to build relationships and to have fun with your church family (naturally helping us to belong rather than being lonely).

If you or someone you know have need for pastoral support you can approach your home group leader or any leader. They may not be able to help you themselves but will signpost you to someone who can. Alternatively, you can speak to me (Angie) because I am co-ordinating the pastoral care at this time.

We also have the Restoration Centre which is available to anyone, whether they attend our church or not. Through this people can receive pastoral support, be listened to, prayed for if they want, lent books and be signposted to other places that may be able to help them. We also have a counsellor.

Restoration Centre

Wellbeing stall

Once a month I am going to have a wellbeing stall on a Sunday morning. There will be some resources there (books, leaflets). Please come and talk to me about what is available, so you know for other people as well as for yourself.

Pastoral Support and Being Well Evenings

We are going to hold some wellbeing events in 2023 at the church offices. (If you would like to attend but cannot access the office, please let me know and I will make other arrangements). There will be people there to listen, pray for you, lend you books or you can spend some time reviewing what is important to you and making a plan to live this out (life coaching yourself with support).

The dates for these are Mondays 22 January, 22 April, 22 July and 23 September. 7.00 p.m.-8.30 p.m. Feel free to come at any point during this time. You can stay for the full time or just a few minutes.

The theme for January will be 'Let's talk about the year ahead. What are your hopes? What do you need?'

Listening training

A big part of relationships is listening and often we need to develop this skill. When people are listened to they feel valued and can often resolve issues because the process of talking helps things become clearer.

If you would like to learn how to listen more effectively, we will be running a course of 2 x 1 hour sessions. Please let me know and we will arrange dates, times, and venue when we know who is interested. **Angie**

January at a glance

Sun	31st	10.30 BCC Service to welcome the New Year 18.00 Prayer Meeting Online - see Peter S for link (45 mins)
Mon	1st	11.00 Up Hill Down Ale - New Year's Day beach walk from Fraisthorpe to Bridlington and back!
Tue	2nd	19.00 Homegroups
Wed	3rd	19.30 What The Dickens Book Club
Fri	5th	9.30 Men & Coffee @ Cafe V 10.30 Ladies Bible Study meet for coffee @ Browns
Sun	7th	10.30 Slow Cooker Sunday 18.00 Prayer Meeting Online - see Peter S for link (45 mins)
Mon	8th	10.30 Oranges & Lemons 19.30 Wider Leaders' Meeting
Tue	9th	19.00 Homegroups
Fri	12th	9.30 Men & Coffee @ Cafe V 10.00 Ladies Bible Study meet @ Armstrongs Prayer Room
Sun	14th	10.30 BCC Service 18.00 Prayer Meeting Online - see Peter S for link (45 mins)
Mon	15th	10.30 Oranges & Lemons
Tue	16th	19.00 Homegroups
Fri	19th	9.30 Men & Coffee @ Cafe V 10.00 Ladies Bible Study meet @ Armstrongs Prayer Room
Sat	20th	14.00 Crafty Coffee Club @ Crafty Cafe
Sun	21st	10.30 BCC Service 17.00 Big Questions? 18.00 Prayer Meeting Online - see Peter S for link (45 mins)
Mon	22nd	10.30 Oranges & Lemons 19.00 Being Well A and Pastoral Support
Tue	23rd	19.00 Homegroups
Fri	26th	9.30 Men & Coffee @ Cafe V 10.00 Ladies Bible Study meet @ Armstrongs Prayer Room
Sun	28th	10.30 BCC Service 18.00 Prayer Meeting Online - see Peter S for link (45 mins)
Mon	29th	10.30 Oranges & Lemons 14.00 Lindum House Outreach

The Marriage Course

We will be following the Holy Trinity Brompton's Course.

This is a seven week course starting in February 2024.

The Marriage Course is for couples who are seeking to strengthen their relationship. Some couples do the course to intentionally invest in their relationship, others are looking to address more specific challenges. Either way, the course offers essential tools and practical ideas to help you build a relationship that lasts a lifetime.

The Marriage Course is based on Christian principles but designed for all couples with or without a church background.

For more details, please see Andrew and Maxine, Sean and Natalie who will be facilitating the course. Numbers are limited, so book your place early!

New for 2024!!

Sunday Night Events



Held at Beverley Memorial Hall, Beverley HU17 8HN
Doors open 5pm, starting at 5:30pm.

21 st January	Big Questions?	
24 th March (after morning Service)	Passover Meal.	
9 th June	Testimony Evening.	
8 th / 15 th Sept. (tbc)	Testimony Evening.	
17 th November	Testimony Evening.	

Visit: www.beverleycommunitychurch.org for more information and updates.

Friday Night Events at

2024!



Held at Beverley Memorial Hall, Beverley HU17 8HN
Doors open 7pm, starting at 7:30pm.

23rd February →



22nd March



19th April

24th May

21st June



27th Sept.

25th Oct.



22nd Nov.

7th December

(Saturday Doors open 6pm)



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Men's Breakfast
- Saturday 3rd February!
Bishop Burton Village Hall

Book your space with Richard or Jon.
Time to be announced in January.



Book your place by 28 January with Helen Bashford
07595 388 652 or helenb@beverleycommunitychurch.org



Saturday 20th January 2pm @ Crafty Coffee Shop
If you are free and like crafts, you're invited to join us at Crafty Coffee Shop at 2pm.
Bring your own craft. Please let Angie know if you are coming.
Amanda & Angie X