## **BCC** News!

**Richard's Ramble:** Well, here we are at the end of a long warm summer. Evidently, it was the hottest and driest since 1976. My vivid memories of that year as a 13 year old are of doing a paper round and reading about the battle between James Hunt and Nikki Lauder for the Formula 1 World Championship. It was also the year following my baptism in the Spirit. This was the event that changed my life. It was not just that I could now speak in tongues, it was the fact that God became very real to me. I could talk with him and share with him my deepest needs, hopes and desires. It also brought with it a sense of calling and destiny which meant that serving his will became my number one desire. I knew that my career, my marriage partner, everything had to line up with God's plan for my life. I had no idea what that plan would be or where it would take me but I just knew that serving him was more important than anything else.

Here I am 42 years later. I have not always stuck to the plan and not always been as devoted to Him as I should have been. I am certainly not without faults and failings but my desire is still exactly the same – to pursue God's plan and calling for my life where ver it may lead. It has not always been easy and at times has been very challenging, particularly the trauma of uprooting our family and moving in obedience to God's leading. However, it has always been rewarding and has brought satisfaction that nothing in this world can give. As the new term begins, I would encourage you to put God's plans first and let the rest follow (Matthew 6:33).



BE ADDED TO YOU."

MATTHEW 6:33

God bless Richard



A Christian film "I Can Only Imagine"(PG) will be showing at Beverley Parkway on Wednesday 5th September only at 2.30pm and 7.45pm Details of the film can be found at <u>www.icanonlyimagine.co.uk</u>.

An inspiring interview about the film can be found at: www.youtube.com/watch?



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## September at a glance!

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Sat	1st	22.00 Street Angels
Sun	2nd	10.30 BCC Service 18.30 Churches Together, King's Church 19.15 CREW BCC Youth
Tues	4th	Prayer and Worship
Fri	7th	10.00 Ladies Bible Study 10.15 Men and Coffee 20.00 Purpose Driven Pint
Sat	8th	Street Angels
Sun	9th	10.30 BCC Service 18.00 Intercession 19.15 CREW BCC Youth
Mon	10th	10.00 Oranges and Lemons 20.00 W ider Leaders Meeting
Tues	11th	Home groups
Wed	12th	CMA Meeting
Thurs	13th	14.00 Going Deeper 18.30 Home group
Fri	14th	10.00 Ladies Bible Study 10.15 Men and Coffee
Sat	15th	22.00 Street Angels
Sun	16th	<ul><li>10.30 BCC Service</li><li>13.00 Sunday Afternoon Walk</li><li>18.00 Intercession</li><li>19.15 CREW BCC Youth</li></ul>
Mon	17th	10.00 Oranges and Lemons
Tues	18th	Home groups
Thurs	20th	14.00 Going Deeper 18.30 Homegroup
Fri	21st	10.00 Ladies Bible Study 10.15 Men and Coffee 16.00 Youth Weekend away 20.00 Purpose Driven Pint
Sat	22nd	Street Angels
Sun	23rd	10.30 BCC Service 18.00 Intercession 19.15 CREW BCC Youth
Mon	24th	10.00 Oranges and Lemons
Tues	25th	Home Groups
Thurs	27th	14.00 Going Deeper 18.30 Home group
Fri	28th	10.00 Ladies Bible Study 10.15 Men and Coffee
Sat	29th	22.00 Street Angels
Sun	30th	10.30 BCC Service 18.00 Intercession 19.15 CREW BCC Youth

## BCC News!



**Grief & Bereavement** 

I am in the process of considering what we can offer as a church/ Restoration Centre to support people who are bereaved and grieving. Grieving is a very individual process, and can be helped or hindered by a range of things. I have increasingly become

aware of a need for more support in some areas and I think that the church and the Restoration Centre could be of real help to people - offering support and hope and compassion.

What I am thinking of are: funeral services; one to one support; a once a year Sunday morning memorial service for people to be invited to attend, to remember those who have died over the years; a scattering of ashes bespoke service.

If you have any thoughts on this please will you speak to me. Nothing has been decided. I want to know what the church thinks. Please speak to me:

- if you are interested in being part of a team offering any of this.
- If you would personally benefit.
- If you have friends, family, etc who would benefit

If you have any suggestions or if you want to discuss any of it further for any reason. Angle

## Setting the Captives Free: Notes from a Prison Chaplain

August has seen me leading my first services in prison. Many of the men do come to worship and to listen but others come to get out of their cells and to socialise and for worse reasons.

The first service was stressful due to some disruption but the men were respectful when people were speaking from the front. The first two services of the month are free church services, then next two are Anglican. The free church services roll pretty much the same as our Sunday mornings. From September communion will be introduced into the first service of the month: the first time free churches have done this in this particular prison.

I am currently planning a bereavement course, to supplement the counselling already taking place, and two different bible study groups, and we are probably also going to be running back to back Alpha courses. We are restricted by security reasons to sizes of groups; also men cannot attend if they have jobs in the prison. (all can attend Sunday services). One man said that prison officers have been asking him why he has changed – he replied it is because of God!!!

**Please pray** that this spreads and that more and more men come to Sunday services and give their lives to Jesus and change as a response (we will soon have a problem of not being able to fit them in! Over the past few weeks the numbers have risen from less than 20 to 50). **Please also pray** we connect well with the officers and the governors. **Please also pray** for all of us working in a multi faith team and with different denominations of Christians, that we are humble and honour and respect each other. One volunteer said of the Catholics, Anglicans and free church volunteers that we all dance differently, but we are all dancing with Jesus. Angie.

Want to be part of a group or volunteer for an activity? You can by speaking to one of the leaders;

by email: info@beverleycommunitychurch.org or by visiting our website:



