

Minister: Rev Trevor Boyd, Dip. Min.

The Manse

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Jesus said, "A city on a hill cannot be hidden... in the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven." Matthew 5: 14&16

We exist as a congregation:-

COMMITTED to the weekly worship of the Lord DEDICATED to learning and obeying the Word of God MOTIVATED to witness to our Community by Word and Action that JESUS is the only way to SALVATION

Announcements for today - Sunday 19th MARCH 2017

PRAYER MEETING 11.00AM

Morning Worship at 11.30am

Conducted by Rev. Boyd who will speak on "Predestination"

Evening service at 6.30pm

In 3rd Rathfriland Presbyterian Church

Conducted by Rev Burke

South Down Action for Healing Wounds Victim Support Group
warmly invite you to a

Service of Thanksgiving

Sunday, 19th March 2017 at 3.00 pm

3rd Rathfriland Presbyterian Church, Newry Street, Rathfriland.
The service will be kindly conducted by Rev. Seamus Burke.

RSVP for catering purposes by post, telephone or email before 5.00 pm on Wednesday 15th March 2017

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NEXT SUNDAY— 26TH MARCH 2017

MORNING WORSHIP AT 11.30am

Conducted by Rev. Boyd who will speak on "Saints" Reading is Colossians I: 1-23

EVENING WORSHIP AT 7.00PM

Conducted by Rev. Boyd who will preach on Proverbs 6: 1-19

PRAYER TIMES 11.00AM AND 6.30PM

SUNDAY 28TH MAY

A Commission of Iveagh Presbytery will conduct a service for the Ordination of Mr David Hanna and Mr Lindsay Gracey as Elders on Sunday 28th May at 7.00pm.

MORE DETAILS LATER



SENIOR CITIZENS FELLOWSHIP Tuesday morning 28th March

Tea and Scones served from 10.00am

GUEST SPEAKER:

MR. TOMMY ANDERSON FROM LURGAN

MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER MEETING CONTINUES

Wednesday 22nd March
at 8.00pm
in the Morrison Room

BELFAST CITY MISSION

Amount received to date for Belfast City
Mission on Wednesday 1st March
£915

Thanks to all who supported this worthy cause



Monday 20th March 2017 at 7.30pm

Bible Study in the home of Anne Annett

Thursday 23rd March 2017 at 10.00am

Bible Study
In The Manse

ALL LADIES WELCOME AS WE CONTINUE OUR STUDY ON "DISCOVERING THE REAL JESUS"

Presbyterian Women

The Collection from our PW SERVICE amounted to £ 327.00 PW BOXES TO DATE: £3,366.54 LEPROSY BOXES TO DATE: £ 445.33 There are still a number of boxes outstanding and we would ask that these could be returned AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

SUNDAY 19TH MARCH AT 3.00PM

Women's Prayer Meeting in the Choir Room

PW MEETING ON TUESDAY 21ST MARCH AT 8.00PM

Guest Speaker will be:
Glynis Hutchinson
"A PERSONAL JOURNEY"

PW TRIP 27TH MAY 2017

Will include a visit to
CREATIVE GARDENS, DONAGHADEE
SHOPPING IN NEWTOWNARDS AND
AN EVENING MEAL IN THE
HALFWAY HOUSE
Bus leaves church at 9.00am
sharp and returns
at approximately 8.30pm
Please add your name to the list in the
Vestibule with your choice of menu

PW DATE FOR DIARY

IVEAGH PW LINK RALLY will be held in Bannside Presbyterian Church on Thursday 30th March 2017 at 8.00pm.

The GUEST SPEAKER will be RACHEL CUBBITT - TRAINEE DEACONESS IN NEWMILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



BADMINTON CLUB

Continues each Saturday

7.30pm - 10.00pm

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

We would like VOLUNTEERS to distribute EASTER PACKS to each home in Rathfriland during 27th March - 1st April
These packs will contain a DVD, a Gospel of John and details of our Easter Services.

Please contact the Rev Boyd by 18th March if you are able and willing to help or need further information

IVEAGH CHRISTIAN

HEALING MINISTRY

SUNDAY 19TH MARCH @ 3.15pm
IN

BANNSIDE CHURCH HALL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

FRIDAY 28TH APRIL AT 8.00PM

The Annual Report will be published before this meeting

KIRK SESSION MEETING

MONDAY 20TH MARCH AT 7.30PM IN THE MORRISON ROOM





"A light on the hill."

Annual Boys Brigade Display will take place on Friday 24th March 2016 from 7.30pm in Rathfriland High School

Everyone will be made most welcome



TRANSFORM GATHERING FRIDAY 7 - SAT 8 APRIL 2017

The Transform Gathering is designed to connect a generation of young adults, equip them as disciples and inspire them to carry that into their every day. Transform 2017 will be packed full of worship, teaching, discussion, workshops, chillout activities, food together and space to connect.

Transform 2017 will be held in the University area of Belfast, with main and breakout sessions in the Crescent Arts Centre and overnight accommodation available in the nearby Clayton Hotel.



Worship by Andy Lamberton

Words by Christoph Ebbinghaus

Other contributors to be added.

Pricing

Residential Rate (Bed & Breakfast): £85 per person sharing

Bookings closed

Non Residential Rate (Meals Included): £55 per person

Non Residential closing date has been extended to Thursday, 23rd March at 4pm

HOLMES PRAYER UPDATE

STEPPING CLOSER

The half-term school holiday saw us travel up the road last weekend to shar in Cullybackey. We were encouraged by this visit and as we return to Wate ahead to what this next season might look like. We are particularly thankfu opportunities to walk alongside others and to step closer and encourage one down the road after our Master Jesus we travel with others. For some we at faith and maturity (Col. 2.6-7), for others, as we share life, we are sharing consider Christ. (1 Thess 2.8).



<u>Pulse Youth Group.</u> Due to less leaders this term we made the decision after Christmas to shift the age of the group up to second years and up. The change has made the group smaller (even smaller than we had hoped), but it has meant that we have been able to step closer. There has been better listening and conversations. Also on one night in the middle of exams stresses while only a few turned up we chatted and played games, which was just the relaxing night needed, but resulted in open conversations and sharing life together. <u>Please continue to pray for the junior leaders as they seek to learn and serve. Give thanks for our team mate Monika who really gets what we are doing with the youth and how we are seeking to disciple them.</u>

<u>Family</u>. Since Anna has stepped over the door into school there hves been openings particularly for Ally to share life with other parents at birthday parties, as well as at the school gate and play dates. This has led to opportunities to support others in the joys and challenges of parenting. Also within church we have been enjoying the friendships of a couple of families with children of similar age to our own. <u>As we have been encouraged by them please pray for both of these families who face significant challenges with life and work at the moment and are in need of encouragement and pastoral care.</u>



thanks for Ross (on left), who has joined the team for two years from Australia. keenness and how he is already on the frontfoot regarding serving and seeking with people who don't yet know Jesus. As we welcome him onboard the team, cam forming. <u>Please pray we will continue to be a loving support to one another ork of commending Christ that others would follow Him.</u>

our team mate Karen has returned to Ireland after some time with family in ing a break from church and team ministry over the next 6 months as she less after a stressful period in life and ministry taking its toll. <u>Please pray for us as</u>

a family as we seek to walk with her, particularly for Ally as she will be walking closely with Karen.

What a blessing that we do not walk alone, but know the warmth and love of Christian family. (<u>John 15.12</u>) Please pray as we walk with others we would be deeply strengthened by our Lord who walks with us. (Matthew 28.20)

Thanks for walking with us in all of this

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Child Evangelism Fellowship (Mourne Area)





The new Welcome Area in 3rd Rathfriland Pres Church will be open for prayer between 6.30pm and 9.00pm on Tuesday 21 March. Come and join us to pray for the children of the Rathfriland area and all who seek to reach them.

Come when you can - leave when you must

"Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into His harvest."

Matthew 9:38



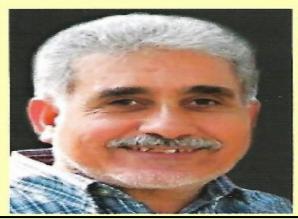
CEF MOURNE AREA

WEEK OF PRAYER MARCH 2017

- Good News Clubs. These are now drawing to a close for the year. Praise the Lord for those who have taught the children faithfully over the winter months, and for children who have trusted the Lord through the Clubs.
- 2. Summer outreach plans. Plans are now well underway for Five Day Club, Holiday Bible Club and camp outreaches. Pray that we will find all the helpers we need for these ministries. Most of all pray that many children will come to know the Lord in the months ahead.
- Pray for the Mourne CEF Committee as they meet monthly to make plans for the advancement of the work in the Area.
- 4. The Mourne Area Spring Fellowship Evening is planned for Saturday 1th April at 7.30pm in Shimna Road Gospel Hall, Newcastle. The focus will be on outreach work in Newcastle and the surrounding area, and Pastor Mark Patterson of Newcastle Baptist Church will be the speaker. If you would like to come along you will be very welcome.
- We have openings into eleven Primary Schools for regular assemblies.Pray for all children who hear God's Word in these assemblies.
- 6. Geoff & Karen Wallace who previously trained with us in the Area have now commenced deputation. Please pray for them as they continue to seek prayerful and financial support to enable them to commence the ministries to which God has called them.

Middle East Reformed Fellowship

What the Media and Politicians cannot tell



We are delighted to announce the visit of Rev Victor Atallah, Director of MERF, for a week of rallies throughout Northern Ireland. Victor has years of experience working in the Middle East and brings a very different slant on what we might normally hear from the media and politicians.

You are warmly invited

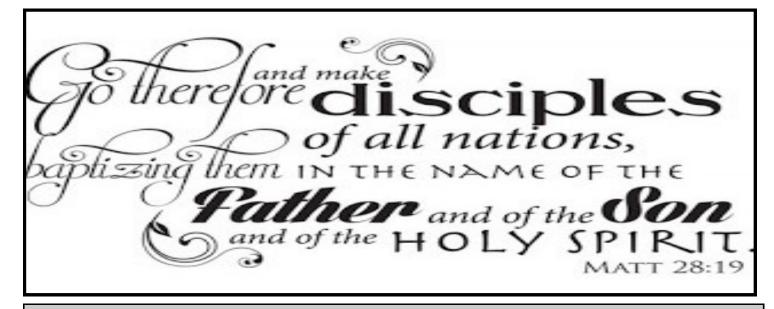
Victor will be speaking at the following public meetings at 8pm each evening:-

Tues 21 March in Greenwell Street Presbyterian Church, Newtownards Wed 22 March in Omagh Evangelical Presbyterian Church Thurs 23 March in Ballee Presbyterian Church, Ballymena Fri 24 March in Molesworth Presbyterian Church, Cookstown

It is hoped that many of our supporters and others will avail themselves of the opportunity to hear Victor.

(Please display on Church the notice board and, where possible, in announcements.)





ROTAS

FLOWER LIST

19th Mar - Mrs Margo Groves
26th Mar - Helena Malcomson
2nd Apr - Mr Noel Weir
9th Apr - Mrs Myrtle Wilson
16th Apr - Mrs Elizabeth Dawson

AUDIO VISUAL

19th Mar - William & Aaron McConville 26th Mar - Derek & Jonathan McDowell

COUNTING MONEY AFTER MORNING SERVICE

MAR - Mr & Mrs Murray Annett, Mr & Mrs John Bell, Mrs Joyce McConnell & Family

APR - Mr & Mrs John Hanna, Mr & Mrs Roy Annett, Mr & Mrs Mark Wilson

CRECHE

19th Mar -

Chantelle Annett & Genine Johnston
26th Mar & 2nd Apr Gillian Scott & Kirsten Dunbar
9th &16th Apr - Janet Phillips & Priscilla
Biggerstaff

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

19th Mar -

David & Heather Hanna
26th Mar & 2nd Apr Richard & Lynne Edgar
9th & 16th April -

Marion Ross, Kathryn & Kerrie Annett

If Children's Church and Crèche dates don't suit, please swap with someone else on the rota or in emergency contact Anne Annett on 028406 38954

Please check list in Vestibule.

CHURCH DOOR WELCOME

MARCH - Bobby Gracey, Mark Bronte & Neil Cheney APRIL - David Scott, Trevor Dunbar & Richard Edgar

If you have any information to share with the congregation please forward it to **Jacqueline Cromie by 6pm on the Thursday prior to publication**

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