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WELCOME!



Ladies!

**Empowered is starting back on Monday 24th January @ 7.30pm.
We will be using a resource called**

Life on the Frontline by LICC

There are six sessions which will run every other week. Each week consists of Introduction, Film, Discussion and Bible Reflection as well as a takeaway section.

So ladies, if you are aged 18+ you will most welcome to come along. Bring bible, mug, pen. To sign up contact Sonya 07796 148090 or sonya_firstcarrickpres@hotmail.com



Thursday 3rd February
2.00-3.00pm

for tea and biscuits,
friendship and fellowship.
We'd love to see you.

Missionary Speaker 30th January Mission Africa

In 1987, Sid & Jean went with Qua Iboe Fellowship (now Mission Africa) to Nigeria with their three young children.

Sid taught first in Samuel Bill Theological College, and then at the Theological College of Northern Nigeria, becoming Deputy Provost in 1991. Hundreds of his former students are now in churches, schools and Bible colleges across Nigeria.



Sid became involved in establishing a strategic ministry known as Africa Christian Textbooks (ACTS) supplying and publishing relevant and affordable evangelical books to church leaders across Africa. ACTS distributes books through seventeen book shops in key seminaries or cities across Nigeria and Kenya.

- Last month our accounts transferred to DANSKE BANK.
- If you have Standing Orders with us, they transferred automatically and no action is required.
- However, if you make online contributions periodically, please ensure you have our new bank details (before your next transaction) by contacting the church office. Thank you.



KIDS CREW

**We need volunteers to go on the Kids Crew rota.
There are a few weeks between now and the end of the
year that we need leaders for.
If you can help in any way please speak to Rachael.**

WELCOME

Welcome Team in February:

Martin O'Gara (L)

Sharon Primrose

Lesley Hogg

Trevor & Sharon Norris (13th & 27th)

Barney & Pat (6th & 20th)

GB Former Members will not be
meeting for the rest of this term.

Exciting news! Creche has recommenced
during Sunday Services.

To be able to run creche we need two
volunteers each week.

If you feel you'd like to be part of this
children's ministry contact Sonya 07796
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Young Adults
Wednesday 26th January
at 8pm



26 Blankets

84 Hats

12 Cardigans

43 Arm Sleeves (to
cover IV cannulas)

These beautiful baby items, lovingly knitted by our Needle & Natter ladies, have been delivered to the Maternity Hospital at the Royal. Well done ladies, they will be very much appreciated by parents and maternity staff alike.

This Sunday morning we welcome Harry McLean and his wife Marlene, as we thank Harry for his 10+ years as our caretaker.
Well done Harry!



Thanks to
Barney & Pat
for painting the
corridor between the
church and main hall.
You are stars!

Leprosy Mission Sunday

takes place on Sunday 30th January
at 3pm online.

The service will be broadcast at
tln-ni.org



**The Leprosy
Mission**

**Wycliffe
Bible
Translators**



Remember in prayer students studying Bible translation at TCNN (Theological College Northern Nigeria). Sandra, her language is Eggon - Pray for God to provide all that is needed for the Bible to be translated into Eggon.

Sun 23 Moderator *Pray for the health of our ministers and leaders across the church. Physically, mentally and spiritually, we are all in need of self-care. Pray for the Refresh programme in early February, which will encourage this for people in leadership roles.*

Worship: Directed and set free *'Direct my footsteps according to your word; let no sin rule over me.'* Psalm 119:133. As we worship today ask God to direct our daily living and set us free from sins that overshadow our lives.

Mon 24 Naomi Keefe (global mission worker, Brazil) *Pray for Naomi as she settles back to life and work in Brazil after spending time in Ireland. Pray for God's guidance for Naomi in the various aspects of her ongoing work and witness. Pray too for good health and safety for Naomi at all times.*

South Sudan *Pray for the Christian community in Yith Pabol near the border with Sudan who were recently attacked by Islamic extremists – at least 28 people killed and over 50 houses burnt down.*

Tues 25 Heather McCracken (deaconess, Belfast Health & Social Care Trust) *Give thanks and pray for all the staff in our hospitals doing tremendous work in exhausting and difficult times. Pray for strength and encouragement for Heather in all she does, and that through her God will speak to many patients, relatives and hospital staff.*

First Bailieborough, Corraneary and Ervey (Monaghan Presbytery) *Pray for these congregations; that they will know God's presence as they meet together and know his leading in the year ahead.*

Wed 26 Derek & Jane French (Spain) *Pray for God's blessing on Bilbao International Church and Grupos Bíblicos Unidos and remember Derek and Jane as they continue their work.*

World Development *Give thanks for all who have supported the 'Weathering the Storm' World Development Appeal which will support Christian Aid and Tearfund projects in Ethiopia, Haiti and other countries helping vulnerable communities. Pray that through the projects, many will be blessed with fullness of life in Jesus Christ.*

Thurs 27 Rev Ivan Neish (chaplain Antrim Area Hospital) *Pray for Ivan as he works part time at the hospital and that he will be a blessing and encouragement to patients, staff and relatives and bring a message of hope to them.*

Craigavon *Pray for Rev Lachlan Webster and the congregation of Craigavon that they will be a people of faith, love and hope. Pray especially for the youth and children's work and all involved in leading it.*

Fri 28 Social Witness *Pray for Denise Keegan, Head of Older Peoples Services. Pray for wisdom and guidance as she supports managers and care staff. Give thanks for the knowledge and experience Denise brings, especially during the increase in numbers of positive Covid-19 cases within our homes and units.*

Palliative Care *Give thanks for those medical staff who provide care to those coming to the end of their life. Pray that in the face of limited resources they would continue to be able to respond effectively and compassionately to ease pain and suffering.*

Sat 29 General Council *Pray for congregations and especially kirk sessions making decisions about weekly activities in light of changing Covid restrictions. Ask God for wisdom to be given, not only for elders, but also for those who agree recommendations for the church.*

Training in Ministry *Around the time that voting takes place for the Moderator of the Assembly, the Moderator of each Presbytery also changes. Presbytery Moderators chair meetings, lead services and help pastor ministers. A training day for new presbytery moderators is planned for Wednesday 2 February. Pray for the new Presbytery Moderators and those leading the training.*

PCI Young Adults COMING SOON...!



We're excited to share that PCI is planning an evening event to gather together young adults from across our church later this term. More info to follow, but you might want to keep *Friday 4th March* free in your diaries.

This will be a great opportunity to worship with other Christians your age and also receive specific teaching geared to your life-stage.

We plan to go together as a group. To provisionally book a place, contact Sonya Boal on 07796 148090 or sonya_firstcarrickpres@hotmail.com

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| Friday 21 st | 10am | Bowls Practice |
| | 10am | Needle & Natter |
| | 6-7pm | GB Explorers |
| | 7.15-9.15pm | GB Company Section |
| Saturday 22 nd | 8-9am | Saturday Prayer Meeting |
| | 7.15-9.15pm | Youth Club |
| Sunday 23 rd | 11am | Morning Service, Kids Crew & Creche |
| | 7-8.30pm | YF |
| Monday 24 th | 7.30pm | Empowered 'Life on the Frontline' |
| | 8pm | Badminton Club |
| Tuesday 25 th | 10-11.30am | Tots & Co |
| | 6.30pm | CE |
| | 7pm | Bowls |
| | 8pm | Session |
| Wednesday 26 th | 8pm | Young Adults |
| Thursday 27 th | 6-7pm | Anchor Boys |
| | 7-8.30pm | Junior Section |
| | 7.15-9.15pm | BB Company Section |

Your word is a lamp for my feet,
a light on my path. Psalm 119:105

