
Our heavenly power supply!

We often think of the Holy Spirit as just a special feeling or an experience in a meeting. It can be easy to forget that the Holy Spirit is one who is very present in our lives every single day.

A famous preacher once said:
'The reason the church feels so defeated at times is that it has ignored the most powerful person in the universe – the Holy Spirit.'



There is a key passage in John 14 where we learn a fundamental truth about *who* the Holy Spirit is and *how* he relates to us as a person. He is comforter, friend and advocate, one who empowers us to obey and who leads us into truth. The Greek term used to describe the Spirit in these verses is *Paraclete*, which means 'the helper who comes alongside'. What an empowering way to describe God!

We are called to journey alongside the Holy Spirit in normal life, not just encounter Him in meetings. He counsels us and speaks, pleads and argues in favour of us before the Father. The Spirit guides us into truth about who God is and, above all else, He walks with us Monday through to Sunday to help guide us towards our destiny.

Our prayer for you is that in the days ahead you would know the Holy Spirit in new and dynamic ways every day of your life. If God really is with us, why would we try to do life on our own?



**With love,
Dave & Leah**

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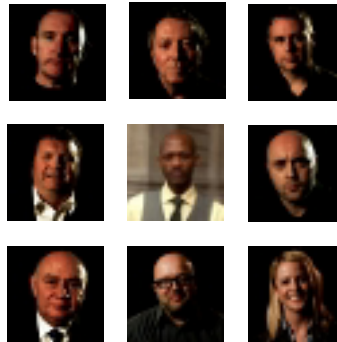
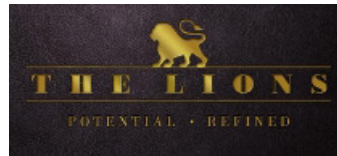
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It's Monday morning and I'm reflecting on another unforgettable Lions weekend. Built upon the theme 'The Possibility of People', the weekend celebrated God's ability to use people with passion to perfect His purpose on earth.

With only a few weeks to go, the much-awaited final Lions Lair is looming large, as each delegate prepares to make their ten-minute pitch for mentoring and financial support for a list of projects, and the mix of church, business and social outreach ideas is vast.

As the first year comes to a close, we begin the whole process of reviewing a fresh batch of applications for the next Lions intake. Please pray that God will direct us to those whose heart to pioneer a church, business or social outreach is ready for a year of spiritual and practical input from some very significant kingdom people.

Chris Spicer



To find out more, check out www.thelions.org.uk

CAPTIVATE CONFERENCE

Captivate was a lovely kaleidoscope of multitudinous things that God did amongst us – that ‘exceedingly abundantly above all we ask or think’ dynamic which brings us into His purposes and His presence.



It was a day of: restoration of vision and calling; of commitment and challenge; of testimony and wonderful team work; and it was a huge day of grace and the amazing goodness of our God.



Our gifted speakers, Debby Wright and Helen Spicer, brought a new awareness of who God is amongst us and a challenge to run our race and make the baggage of yesterday part of our weaponry for today ... and to be bold and pray for people along the way.



We enjoyed wonderful worship led by Mosaic musicians, and inspired music brought to us by our very own Sandra.



The ‘chat’ session with the girls from Betel and Cherish took our breath away and brought us to tears – what a brilliant combination – what a great event! A huge ‘thank you’ to everyone who worked so hard – including the many Mosaic men who served us throughout the day.

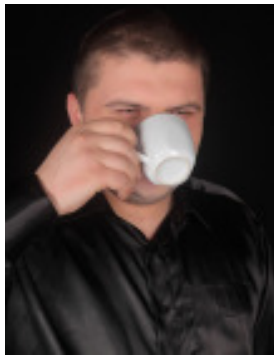
Tina Spicer



MOSAIC MEN

Developing men of character

There are a couple of regular events for men across Mosaic Church: Men's breakfast: every two months on a Saturday morning at the Hope Centre and Men's net group: every Wednesday evening from 7.30pm until 9.00pm at the Hope Centre (except on the week there is a joint Tuesday Grace and Hope prayer meeting).



The net group is informal – we chat over tea and coffee, have a look at some discussion material and develop good supportive relationships. We're currently using a study called 'The Measure of a Man' which looks at 20 characteristics of a mature man.

We aim to help men in the church develop and grow in godly character. Men often find it hard to build close relationships and it's important that we have others in our lives whom we can trust and be accountable to. God wants to increase our capacity to be a resource for others so we can be like the person described in Psalm 1:3: **A tree planted by rivers of water, which produces fruit in season, whose leaf does not wither and whatever they do prospers.**

Please contact **Wes Longden** (weslongden@yahoo.co.uk) or **Bill Watt** (bwatt@mosaicchurch.co.uk) if you want to find out more.

Date for the Mosaic Men diary... Saturday 22nd June

The Men's Group work party will be helping at a Christian Resource Centre – meet at Hope Centre 9.30am or Grace Academy car park at 10.00am for pick-up. Return is approx. 6.00pm. Lunch and tea will be provided. Children are welcome.

Contact Wes or Bill if you'd like to come along.

WHAT'S YOUR STORY?

Hope Centre often lives up to its name. We see people, whose lives are in a mess, not only receive a cup of tea, a chat and a listening ear, but also a life-changing encounter.

One day, Joe came through the doors looking for food and a phone. An ex-soldier, he was suffering from Post-traumatic Stress Disorder and was homeless. Problem was, his regular outbursts of anger and inconsistent behaviour



had led charities and agencies to bar him, which meant he wasn't getting the help he needed.

I spent some time with him and after making some conference calls with him to various organisations to explain the nature of his problems, we came across a charity called Soldiers off the Street. The brilliant support worker there carefully listened to his situation and came up with a great solution. The outcome? The charity helped Joe to find a place to live, paid his first month's rent and helped him back on his feet!

This is just one of the many incidents in the life of the centre – which really is a beacon of hope in the area.

Richard Blower

ONE Event 2013 booking now open!

Book online at
www.one-event.org.uk
or pick up a brochure
at the Mosaic info desk

23rd to 27th August 2013
Lincolnshire Showground | Lincoln



KIDS CORNER

Mosaic@Hope Children's Church

Jelly Beans 6 months to 3 years:

Downstairs in the nursery. Please note that children must be collected by their parents as soon as the service is over.

GLOW 4 to 6 years:

Ground floor nursery.

LEAP FROG 7 to 10 years:

Ground floor Henley room.

NERGIZ 11 to 13 years:

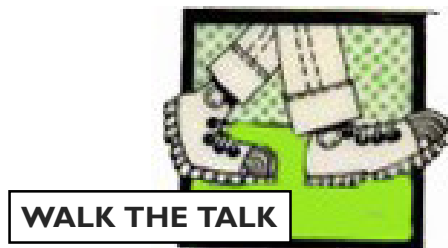
Meet on the second and fourth Sunday of each month.

Mosaic@Hope Summer Services 21st July to 25th August

During the summer we're hoping to change gear a little during our Sunday gatherings at the Hope Centre. Our valued team of children's workers will be taking a well-earned rest, so for an hour each Sunday we'll be enjoying a mixture of worship, story-telling and a short bible-inspired talk.

Based on the theme of Walk the Talk, the service each week will give us a practical insight into what it means to walk in the:

Word of God
Faith of Abraham
Courage of Joshua
Patience of Job
Wisdom of Solomon
Power of the Spirit.



Chris Spicer

Mosaic@Grace

At Grace there is an optional multi-age session for the children every Sunday run by parents.

I DREAMED A DREAM...

Imagine our Hope congregation of about 600 worshipping in the newly refurbished Décor Centre. After a couple of songs we pray out the children's church and their workers. They travel through the new link corridor and into the Hope Centre where they bounce and sing along with the worship group.

After playing a rather messy game where Derek ends up covered in shaving foam and wotsits, they break into smaller groups to look at a bible passage and discuss issues it raises. Tina's group ask her rather tricky questions (she quickly prays for a bit of divine wisdom to answer!).



Everyone comes back together to share and make a huge collage of the theme and when it's complete they proudly bring it back into the end of the main service and share what God has been doing. Afterwards the poster is used to decorate the corridor.

Amazingly this could be a reality in a couple of years' time. How can we prepare for this? We urgently need to be training up new workers now so that we can build their skills and confidence. I want to invite all of you to seriously pray about joining the Hope Children's Workers Team and preparing for what can be.



Rather than changing history, we can be making the future happen. Contact Viv on viv.kibble@sky.com now if you would like to get involved in this vital ministry.

Viv Kibble

FAMILY FIRST

We, as parents, want our children to grow up and flourish in life. Because of this, it is vital that we help them learn to make the right choices. Every adult has an almost unlimited amount of choices we can make each day. Should we go out for dinner or make something at home? Should we go to a movie or read a book? Should we spend this money now or save it? Each decision has consequences which can affect many things down the line. This lesson is vital to impart to our children.

How do we as parents allow our kids to make good choices?



Some parents barely let their children make any choices at all – everything is done for them or to them, very rarely with them. The ability to choose makes your kids feel powerful and alive. It prepares them for the real world. If you don't allow them to choose, they may start to fight you for it. It can be done with the toddler as they decide if they want to brush their teeth before or after they wash their face or with the teenager who gets to choose when to do their homework, before or after dinner.

Building and nourishing our connection with our children prepares them to continue to come to us when the choices get harder later on.

Lord, may we make the right choices with our children today, so that they continue to grow with you tomorrow.

Leah Boden





I'd like to encourage you all to pray for the young people in the church who are taking exams at the moment. It can be a challenging and stressful time and we pray for God's blessing and wisdom.

Over the recent weeks in iDentity youth, we've been talking about sourcing our courage and strength from our faith and relationship with God. We have shared and discussed the story of David and Goliath, taking inspiration from David's courageous actions when standing up to the giant Goliath. We were struck that although King Saul offered his armour as protection, David refused it as he knew the protection offered by his father God was sufficient when tackling the giant. This encouraged us to have more faith and therefore courage when we face worldly giants in our own lives.

Albania Walkathon

As you may know, two years ago iDentity youth went on mission to Albania, so the work that missionaries Richard and Linda Welch (right) are doing in Albania is close to our hearts as we stand with them in prayer for the place where God has called them.



By the time you read this, the youth group will have completed a walkathon on Saturday 15th June to raise money for the ongoing Albania mission. So we'll be very pleased to see you if you've signed up to sponsor us... and if you haven't, there's still time to give a donation.

**Josh Spicer
& the iDentity Youth Team**



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www.facebook.com/groups/identity.mosaic

OUTREACH

Cowabunga (an expression of surprise)



23,000 people fed (including 10,000 children) since we started Coventry Foodbank.

Last Tuesday I home delivered a parcel to Matias.* Matias lives in Wood End, is probably in his mid-40s and speaks with a Spanish accent. I asked him why he needed a food parcel.

'They stopped my benefits nine weeks ago and I ran out of money and food two days ago,' he responded. 'They are carrying out a residency test on me. I've lived and worked in the UK for 25 years!'

Coventry Foodbank is now working with the Citizens Advice Bureau to establish advice services around the city. In September we hope to open three job clubs (one at the Hope Centre). As Universal Credit and the Bedroom Tax take their toll on the most vulnerable people, they need somewhere where they can experience friendship, warmth and the love of God.

We need to make sure we are not just about doing cosy Sunday mornings, but we **'speak out for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute'** (Proverbs 31:8).

To get involved, see Gavin Kibble, Karen Sumner, Dee Ward or Tony Lee.

Gavin Kibble

*Name has been changed to protect identity.

Average Cow Campaign – a cow produces 21 litres of milk per day. Would you donate one cow's worth of UHT milk to Coventry foodbank? We need 50 cows as our stocks are very low.



Don't pass me by...

Sometimes God challenges our mindset about people. I was at 'Christ in the Precinct' recently and was about to walk past an elderly couple in their nineties to talk to someone else. I felt a nudge to turn back and talk to them about Jesus.

The gentleman said he had made a commitment to Jesus when he was young, but his wife confessed that she'd never done that. When I asked her if she would like to have Jesus in her life now, she replied categorically without hesitation, with a resounding 'Yes, I think I would like that'.

As she prayed to invite Jesus into in life, her husband watched, beaming from ear to ear. He had waited a long time for this precious moment. Praise God it's never too late to receive salvation. I was so touched by her response; that was one of my greatest moments of joy as I rejoice with the angels over that dear lady.

Seamus

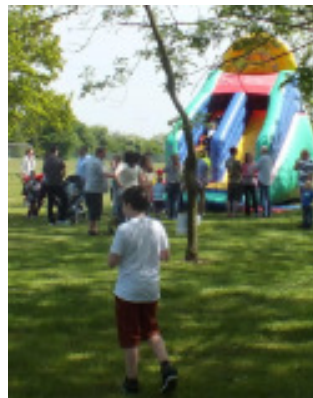
Mosaic@Grace Family Fun Day

Mosaic Church partnered with Grace Academy School to run a family fun day at the end of May. And what a fun day it was!

The church met with over 400 local people as they enjoyed a range of activities including BBQs, bouncy castles, mega slides, craft stalls, giant games, gyro chairs and Go Karts.

Families also enjoyed a picnic with the church in the glorious May sunshine (on the one nice day in May!).

Every visitor received a personal invitation to the church from our outstanding welcome team and we are excited to see further relationships develop with the community in the future as a result of the brilliant day.



Leah & Dave Boden

MOSAIC CHURCH – one church, two expressions



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Sunday services 10.00am for coffee 10.30am start

Tithes and offerings

The giving of our tithes and offerings is an important part of our worship at Mosaic. The total amount between January and April came to £51,569, (budget: £45,723). If you would like more information on giving through standing order or gift aid please contact Gavin Kibble (gavin.kibble@sky.com).

Taking care at Mosaic

As part of our safeguarding policy can we ask everyone to be alert to any dangers for the children, young people and vulnerable adults of Mosaic Church. This applies to all areas of both premises, but especially the cafe, corridors and car park.

Mosaic Church info database

If you'd like your contact details to be added to the database so you're kept informed of what's going on at Mosaic, please fill in a contact card available at the info desk.

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