

# Salford Elim Church

## Welcome

November 2016

We want to welcome you to church today. If you're visiting us and this is the first Sunday in the month, then a special welcome. This service is shorter than normal (it's normally 90 mins) and you will see that it's a time when all the children will be with us for the whole service. One of the things that we feel strongly about is that everyone matters to God and to us - and that every now and again it's good to worship together in a way that is easy for everyone to get involved. We hope you enjoy being with us. After our service, please join us for coffee, tea and biscuits.

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## Rob's new chapter

On Sunday 13 November we will be commissioning Rob to his new role in church as Leader for Mission and Evangelism.

After a long time waiting, he will begin his new role as a prison chaplain at HMP Manchester (Strangeways) a move that has meant he can take up the part-time (one day a week) role with us.

Please pray for him and Susie as the changes happen - that they will know God's blessing and that Rob will see fruitfulness in all he is doing.

## Theology Thursdays

We start a short series of 4 Theology Thursdays on 17 November at 7.30pm in the church. We will be looking at the Bible - how to read it, how to hear it, how to go deeper into it, how to understand how it took shape.

In order to help Neil prepare for the series, it would help if you could text or email him (dn.hudson10@gmail.com) some thoughts about some of the questions you have about the Bible, what sorts of things would it be particularly helpful to have covered together, what would make you more confident in reading it on your own.

Or any other things that you would find helpful for us to cover together.

## Church Meeting

We want to invite everyone to stay behind after the service on Sunday 20 November for us to be able to have our annual meeting together. It's a chance for us to report on some of the things we have been involved with, decisions we have been grappling with, the state of the church's finances etc.

If you have questions or thoughts that you would love us to respond to and you know it would be helpful for us to have them beforehand, please let Neil, or one of the Governing Body know.

The Governing Body is Arthur Whillans, Gill Oldham, Pearl King and Frank Walsh.

## Men's Social

On Friday 11 November, all the men are invited to join us for a meal out together. We are planning on going to 'Castle in the Air' (Near The Trafford Centre) for a bar meal at 7pm, followed by an optional game of crazy golf in The Trafford Centre.

If you would like to come, need a lift, or just want more details, please see Ian asap as he will need to book a table.

More news over the page...



## Story Sunday

One of the things we have been trying to maintain has been a chance for us to hear about what God has been doing in our lives by having a Story Sunday once every quarter.

This will happen on Sunday 27 November. Please come prepared to share with us what God has been doing recently.

## Christmas Alive in the park!

We have been really encouraged by the invitation that the Friends of Light oaks Park have extended to us to be part of their Christmas event in the park on Sunday 18 December.

Some of the organising committee have come along to our Christmas Alive events in the past and would love us to present this in the park as part of their own event.

It's a great opportunity for us to work with the local community. And at their summer event they had around a 1000 people coming along! It could be our biggest Christmas Alive yet.

We will get more details to you as we develop the plans. But block the date and time - we will need all hands on deck.

Rob will be taking a lead in this, so if he comes to ask you for help, be very kind to him! We will be asking for donations of mince pies as well, if it is helpful to begin stockpiling.

## Getting in the Christmas Spirit

On Saturday 3 December we will be showing a classic Christmas film for us all.

There will be all the Christmas trimmings - mince pies, and all the rest - but we just need you to be part of it as well.

More details will be announced and sent round - it'll be great.

## Partners in Prayer

Throughout November, we are praying for St. John's Church on the Height.

Please see their specific requests on our notice board and spend some time praying for them this month as they look for another vicar.

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