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CHURCH NOTICES
(In the will of God)

23rd February, 2025

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In the Name of the Triune God, a warm welcome to every visitor at our service today, please sign Visitor's Book.

This Lord's Day:

Sun 23rd Feb	**10.30am**	**Bible Class** meet in Fellowship Room.
	11.10am	**Prayer time** in the Minister's Room.
	11.30am	**Morning Worship** - Rev. Collins will conduct the service and read & preach **f**rom Matt.12:9-14 *"Jesus is LORD of the Sabbath - part 2"* - do have a read of the Scriptures in advance. **Sunday School runs during the second half of our service.**

This Week:

Mon 24th Feb	**7.45pm**	**Men's Monthly meet up** at the manse. Please do come along and encourage others to come for conversation, food and hot drinks. We continue looking at the book "Reclaiming Masculinity" & we will finish out chapter/principal 4 *"Using your strength to protect."*
Tues 25th	**10.00am**	**Tea & Tots.**
	10-11.30am	**Crafters** meet in the Committee Room.
	2-4pm	**Afternoon bowls**. Everyone welcome.
	7.30pm	**Bowling Club** meet in the hall.
Wed 26th & **Thurs 27th**	**8.00pm**	**Homegroups** meet in the Nevin's & Caldwell's homes. Pray for the groups as they meet to study Paul Miller's "A Praying Life." Should anyone wish to join either group, please speak to Thomas/ Alastair, and a book can be taken from the church vestibule.
Thurs 27th	**9.45am**	**Ladies' prayer time** in the Committee Room.
	6.30pm	**Revival Prayer Time** at Stephen and Hester's home.
	7.30pm	Bushmills & District Bowling League Committee Meeting in Church Hall.
Fri 28th	**6.15-9.30pm**	**Girls' Brigade** meet. **Boys' Brigade**: Anchors & Juniors: **6:15-7.30pm**. Company meet **from 7.30pm.**

Next Week:

Sun 2nd Mar	**11.10am**	**Prayer time** in the Minister's Room.
	11.30am	**Morning Service** - the Rev. Collins will conduct the service and read & preach from **Matt. 12:15-21** *"Jesus, the HOPE of the Nations."* Please, as for all services, do try & read the Scripture ahead of the service, you will benefit! **Sunday School runs during the second half of our service.**
	3.00pm	**Girls' Brigade *Annual Riada District*** Church Service will be held in First Dunboe PCI, in Articlave (on the Castlerock Road). This service is for girls in all sections and leaders too. We would love to have a great turnout from Ballywatt! Please speak to Jeni Caldwell, our GB Captain, about the consent form; these forms need to be returned by next week - 28th February.

	7.00pm	**Evening Service** in the Committee Room. Rev. Collins will conduct the service and read & preach from James 2:1-13 *"The need for impartiality in the church; addressing favouritism."*
Tues 4th	**10.00am**	**Tea & Tots.**
	10-11.30am	**Crafters** meet in the Committee Room.
	2-4pm	**Afternoon bowls**. Everyone welcome.
	7.30pm	**Bowling Club** meet in the hall.
Wed 5th	**8.00pm**	**Midweek prayer time** in the Committee Room. Please spread the word & encourage a good number out.
Thurs 6th	**9.45am**	**Ladies' prayer time** in the Committee Room.
Fri 7th	**6.15-9.30pm**	**Girls' Brigade** meet. **Boys' Brigade**: Anchors & Juniors: **6:15-7.30pm**. Company meet **from 7.30pm.**

General:

Faith Mission Bookshop in Coleraine has had to consider its future in recent times. The Directors are requesting our prayers for wisdom going forward as an independent retailer. People are still buying Bibles - the Word of God - in the shop, and folk are requesting prayers from members of staff. there surely is a need to continue this literature ministry. See flyer on Vestibule table.

Portballintrae CSSM Leader, Benjy McKay, was in touch with our minister enquiring of any help from within our congregation to assist with meals, if possible, during the 1st week of their 2 week mission (30 June - 11 July, 2025). There is no pressure from CSSM BUT if anyone is able to offer help, the team would be so, so grateful as they aim to reach children with the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. To give us an idea of what the team has eaten in the past, lunches have included: sausage rolls, chicken wraps, sandwiches & then for dinners: lasagne, spaghetti bolognese, chicken & broccoli bake. The team apparently isn't too fussy! If you think you can help, please do mention to Ross C or Louise K. Thank you.

The **Coleraine & District Samaritans** are making an appeal for volunteers. There are two ways to help:
1) Be a listening volunteer. Support people who need to talk over the phone, email or in person. Time commitment is manageable: 3 -4 hours or more. Training will be provided.
2) A behind the scenes role in areas such as marketing, fundraising, IT support and/or administration.
There are flyers on the vestibule table.

Choir practices for Easter will begin on **Sunday 9th March from 10.20am -11.10am.** All most welcome to come along. Spread the word please.

Saturday 8th March, 10.15am – 1pm, Coleraine Baptist Church, Equip Conference for all those involved in ministry to children in Sunday School, Holiday Bible Clubs, Children's Meetings and Youth Club etc. Speakers: Anita Conkey, Victoria Hylands & Angie McKee. Tea/coffee & scones served. Cost £10. Pre-registration at www.eventbrite.co.uk (search for 'Equip Conference, Coleraine') Further details from Lynda McAuley 07742 739427.

Wednesday 26th March, Friendship Group, 1.30pm in the Committee Room. We've been able to reschedule Alan Carson, who had to be cancelled due to the weather in January. Please plan to come along to hear Alan's story of how fear was overcome with faith during the kidnapping of his daughter Alana.

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Door Welcome	John McCrory John Campbell	Stanley Campbell Richard McClure	Stanley Campbell Richard McClure	David Curry Malcolm Rankin
PowerPoint & Sound	Emma Radcliffe David Radcliffe	Stephen/Lydia Lyons Drew McClure	Tim/Joshua Beattie Richard Lyons	Emma Radcliffe David Radcliffe