

# Elim Pentecostal Church Leicester

## January & February 2023 Newsletter

### Message by Pastor

Firstly, can I say thank you to everyone for their love and support over the last twelve months, and thank you to everyone for all the time and effort you have given to God and God's family during that time. It's amazing how quickly the years tick by, and we are already at the close of 2022.

Although we still have COVID with us, most things are now back to normal, praise God. This year has still had many challenges, with the war in Ukraine and the economic challenges that has brought, and of course, the loss of Queen Elizabeth II, a very Godly Head of State who was never ashamed of sharing her strong, Christian faith.

We have seen many new people join us, once again, welcome, and we hope that you will enjoy being a part of the Elim church family here in Leicester.

This time of year is always a time when we reflect on the year that has gone and look ahead to the year that is coming. You will know by now that one of my sayings is "as in the natural, so in the spiritual", and as I shared on Christmas morning, seasons always come to an end and another begins. We look forward to the new season ahead of us, there is much more ahead for us in God.

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#### **Below are some important dates for your diary:**

Warm day re-starts on Wednesday 4 Jan 9.00-5.00

Prayer meeting resumes Thursday 5 Jan 7.30 at the church building and online

Sunday 8 Jan 10.30, first morning service of 2023

Tuesday 10 Jan, 1.30 and 7.30 our Bible study series resumes

Sunday 15 Jan, 6.30, Koinonia, the second on our new monthly Sunday evening meetings

Sunday 22 Jan 10.30, guest speaker Mark Greenwood, Elim's National Director of Evangelism.

Sunday 29 Jan, baptism service - anyone wishing to get baptised please contact Pastor Dave

Sunday 5 Feb, visiting speaker from 'Unlimited', Elim's National Youth Movement

Tuesday 21 Feb, men's curry night with Mark Greenwood, details to follow

Also, we would like to congratulate Brian Jackson on being awarded a British Empire Medal in the New Years honours list for his work with the Duke of Edinburgh Award, Search and Rescue and service to the community (covid vaccination) This is much deserved, Brian has worked tirelessly and faithfully over many years, serving so many areas of the community. We are incredibly proud of Brian and Ann, who they are and all they do. We look forward to seeing the medal and celebrating with them after he has received it from King Charles, once again, huge congratulations.

Every THIRD Sunday of the month (next due Sunday 15th January 2023) *beginning at 6.30pm* it is an alternative service with a light hearted look at how we can practically live our lives based on the Truth of God's Word, The Holy Bible!

All ages welcome as we meet to grow together in God.

Bring a friend and come and hear what God has to say!



'One part of the evenings programme is a 10 min section called 'Ask The Bible'.

Here, using God's Word, we answer any question *previously* submitted (theological, ethical, moral, doctrinal) from anyone that perhaps has a burning issue that they've never felt able to ask before.

**So, we invite you to please send your questions in *beforehand* (to give us time to prepare) and we will endeavour to provide a Biblical answer on the night.**

Send your questions to: [koinonia@elimchurchleicester.org.uk](mailto:koinonia@elimchurchleicester.org.uk)

We are supporting the Congo School, if you would like to help with a donation. Please use the link below:-



[www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/bc-jackson?utm\\_term=WqEyyr9aZ](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/bc-jackson?utm_term=WqEyyr9aZ)

If you would like to contribute anything to this news letter, please see Brian in church or talk with Pastor.



### **Food bank**

We are having a steady increase in people for the food bank. This is a valued ministry and very needed at this time. I know times are difficult and challenging, but if you are able to give anything towards this ministry either by bringing items from the list below or donating a gift of Money ( See Sue) or put an envelope marked foodbank in the offering it would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks Pastor Dave

If you can help with anything that would be fantastic:-

Shower gel  
Soap  
Shampoo/conditioner  
Deodorant  
Jam  
Marmalade  
Breakfast cereal (chocolate  
flav) very popular.  
Toilet rolls  
Chickpeas  
tinned spaghetti

### **Prayer Meeting**

Come and join us for prayer, our meetings are Thursday evenings in church and on Zoom  
We start at 19:30. All welcome, you can find us online Zoom: Meeting ID: 88799405  
Password: 354883

**Come and join us, all Parents and Tots welcome.**

A poster for 'Café Tots' featuring a bright yellow sun in the top right corner and green grass at the bottom. The text is centered and reads: 'Café Tots', 'A safe place to meet friends and be refreshed', 'Toys, Activities, Play, Singing, Storytime and Refreshments.', and 'Mondays 10 am – 12 noon. (Term time)'. To the right of the text is a logo with a rainbow arching over a smiling sun, with the words 'ELIM' and 'TOTS' on either side.

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### **Can you help**



Can you be part of a team that service tea and coffee after the church service.

We also require people to welcome people into the church.  
If you can help please see Debbie Forman.

