



# NOTICES

## Scary Heights



As my sister and her friend are visiting me from Germany I thought it might be a good idea to show them the Pontcysyllte Aqueduct which, as you probably know, is now the oldest and longest navigable aqueduct in Great Britain and the highest in the world. As I stood there in the middle of the aqueduct taking pictures I noticed some people clinging on to the railing, being frightened by the height and aware of walking on a 12 ft wide bridge suspended 126 ft in the air. I am not too keen about heights myself and at times wondered whether standing there is a good idea. Then a hymn came to mind:

‘Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in His wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of His glory and grace’. Things in life can be scary but how great is it to be able to put it all into perspective by knowing that we are loved, accepted, forgiven and saved?!

## This Week

### Sunday June 3rd:

Morning Service: Our speaker will be Mike Price on the theme of ‘Saul in Damascus and Jerusalem’ (Acts 9 vv 19b - 31).

Evening Service: Our 7pm evening service will be on 1 Samuel 14 vv 24 - 48.

### Saturday June 9th:

Morning Prayer Meeting at the Church Office starting at 8am.

### Sunday June 10th:

Morning Service: This service is our ‘Family Worship’ Service which will be led by Andrew and Dora Marlow.

Evening Service: Our 7pm evening service will be on 1 Samuel 14 v 49 to 1 Samuel 15 v 38.

## For your Diary

**Tuesday June 12th:** Connected - Confident Parenting in a Digital Age

7:30pm to 10pm. Information at [www.careforthefamily.org.uk/event/connected-chester](http://www.careforthefamily.org.uk/event/connected-chester)

**Sunday June 17th:**

Our Church Members Meeting will take place at 7pm at the office.

**Monday June 18th: M4G Event**

At 8pm this on evening is Englands first World Cup 2018 game against Tunisia. Come and enjoy the game on a 60-inch screen over a couple of beers/soft drinks and some nibbles. Limited spaces available, so book your place with Erik.

**Tuesday June 19th: Churches Together AGM**

The AGM will take place at 7.30 pm at St. John's. Our guest speaker this year is Steve Jones from Shrewsbury Street Pastors. It should be a really interesting evening so please come along and find out more about their work and how we can support them.

**Saturday June 30th: Inspire & M4G Event**

Our next combined Inspire & M4G event will be on Saturday 30th June and will be a short walk to (and whoever wants to) around Alderford Lake and back with pitstop at the Alderford Cafe for tea, scones, jam and cream (just over £5). For those who cannot manage a walk, it's just a five-minute car journey to meet up with us. We will meet at Jubilee Park Bandstand at 1:30pm to arrive at Alderford Lake Cafe for 2:15pm. Let Erik or Jan know if you can make it.

**Saturday August 18th: Wedding of Jessica Faith Muir to Benjamin Armon**

Service followed by tea & cake at 12:30pm at St. Alkmunds Church, Whitchurch.

## Other Items

**Beacon Membership:**

Thinking of becoming a member of Beacon Church before the next Members Meeting on 17th June? Please speak with Jamie or Dave as a matter of urgency.

**Whitchurch Little Theatre Group**

Many of you regularly support the Whitchurch Little Theatre Group productions and the 2018 Summer Tour takes place from 12-15 June. It is an evening of light entertainment which should raise a smile for all.

Tues 12th Tilstock Village Hall, Weds 13th Bickerton Village Hall, Thurs 14th Marbury and Fri 15th Talbot Theatre Whitchurch. All performances at 7:30pm. £5/head.

Alan Scutt is appearing, so would appreciate you coming along and support.

**The Whitchurch Foodbank:**

This month the items needed are:

***Pot Noodles; tinned rice pudding, tinned Spaghetti and toothbrushes***

To find out more, take a look at their website or have a chat with Alan or Chris Scutt.

## **We are looking for ordinary prayer warriors!! Thy Kingdom Come - 24 hours of prayer 29th - 30th June 2018!**

### ***What are we doing?***

In response to the international prayer initiative launched earlier this month by Archbishops Justin Welby and John Sentanu, "Thy Kingdom Come", (see <https://www.thykingdomcome.global/about> for more details) and stirred by a desire to pray more we are holding a 24 hour of prayer session at the Beacon Office from 6pm on Friday 29th June to 6pm on Saturday 30th June. We are inviting everyone who would like to be involved from the Beacon as well as other churches in our area to take part.

### ***How will it work?***

The prayer times will be divided into one hour slots with a variety of guided prayer activities available to help us focus or just a quiet space to pray. They will be suitable for families to come and pray together, pairs or individuals. We are inviting people to come and pray in a central space (in the Beacon Office) rather than at home. There will be a sign up sheet available with spaces for folks to indicate whether they would like to pray alone or with others. We would strongly recommend that during the night people pray in pairs. We ask that people turn up 5-10 minutes before their slot starts in order to continue a smooth continual covering of prayer. We are offering BYG the chance to launch the 24 hours of prayer between 6 and 8pm and then for others to take up the mantle from then.

### ***Who is it for?***

It's for everyone! If you have prayed before you are welcome. If you have never prayed before you are welcome! I am absolutely convinced that God uses us all and would be delighted to spend some time with us during those 24 hours.

How do I take part?

I have attempted to set up an online sign up sheet. It's the first time I have done this and so I hope it works! There will also be several of the usual clipboard sign up sheets available on the next few Sundays which I will collate. Please sign up and make sure every hour is covered. The link to the online sign up sheet is:

<https://doodle.com/poll/r5zp3i6wvm6esspu>

Please let me know if you have any issues with it!

I am really excited about this opportunity to pray as a body and encourage you to take up the challenge to cover our town, our churches, our neighbours, our friends and each other with 24 hours of continual prayer. It could be life changing!