Winter 2021





Child Evangelism Fellowship® Britain Candidate in Training Contact email: megan@cefbritain.org

Dear Friends,

Since my last update I am back in the swing of term time children and youth clubs at my home church, Penuel Baptist Chapel, Roch. God has been so faithful, despite my uncertainty of how these clubs would take place and who would join in.

At the end of the last school year in July, many of the regular children were transitioning to secondary school. I had no idea what their schedule would be like and with new opportunities, would they still want to come along to a new youth club? At the first night, five people were signed up to join, but nine children appeared. This was so encouraging! A further two have joined. All of the group have very little connection to church, most coming from unchurched backgrounds. This term we have focused on identity and how being a Christian impacts everyday life. It is a privilege to have an opportunity to share the gospel and fellowship with one another. I am reminded of the apostle Paul, who says in 1 Thessalonians 2:8, *"So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us."*

As well as exploring identity through Bible verses and real lives, the Youth always cook during our sessions, whether its pancakes or pizza, it's a lovely way of sharing fellowship. We are blessed with a chapel garden, where they can grow their own vegetables. It was a thrill to share a Harvest meal with them, thanking God for His continued goodness, before they ate a meal of fresh fruit and vegetables they had grown and harvested.

Tuesday Youth Club has become a place to journey together, exploring faith, build relationships and feel at home. Here are some of the reasons that the boys and girls come along:

"I come to learn more about God and meet others who know about God."

"I like praying it makes me feel safe." "I don't just come here for the pancakes ... I come for peace."

I am looking forward to seeing where God leads each of these teens and ask that you would pray for them too. God willing, next week will enjoy sharing a Christmas meal together and reflect on the true meaning of Christmas.









Many of the faces at Friday Club have changed too, now mainly consisting of children aged 4-8. As so many of them are new we started this term back in Genesis with creation. They are so inquisitive. Many of them haven't heard Bible stories before it is a wonderful opportunity to share the Good News. In the run up to Christmas the children have helped to decorate the chapel. At one meeting there were only a handful of children, but one youngster prayed, thanking God that, "Although we are few in number, we have had a great time singing, decorating the chapel and learning about Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus." It is so wonderful to hear them pray.



God has been so faithful in His provision over the last year. Your prayers and encouragement are also a source of strength. I am also thankful for those who have contributed to me financially, enabling me to reach out to children and youth. If you would like to consider supporting me financially, please get in touch. Alternatively, you can donate by visiting the CEF website and marking your gift for Megan Stone: www.cefbritain.org/supporting/giving

Thank you so much for partnering with me in prayer. I appreciate each one of you and ask that you would continue to remember me in your prayers as I continue to grow my ministry in the coming year.

PRAYER & PRAISE

- Praise God for opportunities to engage with Christian organisations in Wales about the work of CEF.
- Praise God for His provision throughout 2021.
- Praise God that with Him, nothing is impossible (Mark 10:27). "Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and by Your outstretched arm! Nothing is too difficult for You"
- Please pray for churches who have yet to restart their children and youth ministry; Covid restrictions have had a major impact on churches across Wales.
- Please pray for the Youth Club and Friday Club at Penuel Baptist Chapel, Roch each week. Pray that the children would learn more about God and be challenged by the Gospel.
- Please pray as I look to the Lord for guidance for the future. I am keen to complete the second part of CMLC in Romania in February – March 2022, but this is uncertain due to Covid restrictions.

I pray that you have a wonderful Christmas, meditating on the birth of our Saviour,and a time of refreshment as we enter a new year. May you know God's presence and blessings.



Registered Charity in England No 235080 Registered Charity in Scotland No SC040343 Registered Company No 570740

Megan

Child Evangelism Fellowship of Britain PO Box 9281 | Poole | BH14 4FS info@cefbritain.org | www.cefbritain.org