



### Why do Fellowship Groups meet?

Colossians 2:6-7 says: "...just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness."

With this in mind, the goal of Fellowship Groups is to learn to live with Christ as Lord over every area of our lives.

### What do Fellowship Groups do?

So that we can encourage one another to live with Christ as Lord, Bible study and prayer are at the heart of the group meetings, along with plenty of time to get to know one another better (usually over coffee and cake!) and share our lives together.

### When do Fellowship Groups meet?

Most groups meet weekly on Wednesday evening, but there are also groups meeting on Tuesday morning and early on Wednesday morning. There are groups for women on Tuesday morning and Tuesday afternoon (fortnightly). Contact Chris Hobbs for more information. Once a month on a Wednesday evening we meet together as a church family to pray.

*If you are interested in joining a Fellowship Group, please contact Chris Hobbs*

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## September – December 2018



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In this next section of Acts, Peter is the central character through whom the Lord Jesus is at work. First of all, we see Peter working two wonderful miracles which establish his authority to act as Jesus' apostle. This is crucial because Peter is the one who subsequently preaches the gospel to Cornelius the gentile and testifies to the church in Jerusalem that God wants to save gentiles too. In the third episode the Lord works a dramatic escape from prison for Peter: nothing can chain up God's word! How wonderful that the gospel is God's unstoppable power for salvation for everyone who believes!

## What the world needs to hear (Luke 22-24)

The theme of GAFCON 2018 in Jerusalem was 'Proclaiming Christ Faithfully to the Nations', with Bible expositions from these chapters. It was Jesus himself who gave the church this commission when he said to his disciples, "This is what is written: the Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations" (Luke 24:46-47).

If this is what the world needs to hear, this is where the church needs to be clear. So, while it may feel strange studying these chapters in the run-up to Christmas, it will be good for us to discover afresh what happened and what it meant that Jesus suffered and rose from the dead – not least because he did it for us, that we might be forgiven and have life in his name.

Sept	5	<b>Prayer Gathering</b>
	12	<b>Agent of Change (Acts 9-12)</b> King's man <i>Acts 9:32-43</i> <i>Social event/short study</i>
	19	The Untouchables <i>Acts 10:1-11:30</i>
	26	Mission Impossible <i>Acts 12:1-25</i>
Oct		<b>What the world needs to hear (Luke 22-24)</b>
	3	Jesus: Betrayed <i>Luke 22:39-53</i>
	10	<b>Vision Evening</b>
	17	Jesus: Disowned <i>Luke 22:54-65</i>
	24	Jesus: Rejected <i>Luke 22:66-23:25</i>
	31	<i>Half term Break</i>
Nov	7	<b>Prayer Gathering</b>
	14	Jesus: Crucified <i>Luke 23:26-43</i>
	21	Jesus: Dead <i>Luke 23:44-56</i>
	28	Jesus: Risen <i>Luke 24:1-53</i>
Dec	5	<b>Prayer Gathering</b>
	12	<i>Free for social events</i>

*These dates are Wednesdays. For details of other groups, see overleaf. Prayer Gatherings are in St Stephen's, 8.00-9.30pm (or on the Tuesday before; 10.00-11.30am with crèche).*