

## OTHER NOTICES

**WORD FOR TODAY** The February/ March/April edition of 'Word for Today' is available on the welcome desk. If you haven't taken this wee booklet before, please feel free to take one.

**WOULD YOU LIKE A CHALLENGE FOR 2012?** How about taking part in the Belfast marathon on the 7th May? Don't panic, you don't have to run the whole thing, there are several options - walk 9 miles, run as part of a team running approx 5 miles each, run the 10k or you could run or walk the 26 miles. We would like to get as many of you as possible to take part at whatever level you feel comfortable. Any sponsorship raised would be divided equally for Kosova Konnection, Open Doors and West Church Reserve Fund. Come on you can do it, put your name and contact details on the sheet on the Welcome Desk or speak to Elizabeth Nelson.

**TAMING THE TIGER** The 'Because He Lives' evangelism team are planning to hold an event at Tullyglass House Hotel on Tuesday 6 March at 8.00 pm. Three times King Fu World Champion Tony Anthony will talk about how Christ transformed his life.

ROTAS	5 February	12 February
<b>Church Grounds</b>	N Mahon I Black	M Montgomery D Miller
<b>Welcome Desk</b>	David Linton	Mari Baxter
<b>Pulpit Bible</b>	Victor Nicholl	Robert Pinkerton
<b>Creche</b>	Lisa Black Emma Legg	Amy King Jackie King
<b>Library</b>	Sally Armstrong Kathleen Glenn	Brenda Nicholl Florence Craig
<b>Tea and Coffee</b>	Liz Lynn Janet Wilson	Samina Bonar Anne Millar
<b>Prayer Ministry</b>	Alan Sheppard Kathy Burnett	Karen Black Tommy Nelson
<b>Money Count</b>	Rodney Cole, Ann Allen, Sammy Allen, Margaret & Alex McKee, Janet Wilson, Alan McCluney <b>(February)</b>	
<b>Welcome Stewards</b>	Annie Erwin, Rodney Cole, Edwin Donaghy, Brian Pepper, Scott Wharry, Elizabeth Nelson, Alison Ramsey, Stephen Burnside <b>(February)</b>	

# West Church

## BALLYMENA

*Celebrating and Serving Jesus Together*

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**Visitors** - please collect an information pack from the Welcome Desk in the vestibule.

**5 February 2012**

**Presbytery Sunday**

**11.00 am** - Rev Brian Boyd (Kells)

**6.30 pm** - Rev D J Kane

Tea/Coffee will be served in the Lounge after both services

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

<b>Today:</b>	Switch Youth Fellowship - 8.00 Church Membership Class
<b>Monday:</b>	Bowling - 7.30 pm Discipleship Explored 7.30
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Badminton - 7.30 pm Football - 9.00 pm PW - 8.00 pm
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Men United - 10.30 am Buddies & Bundles - 10.15 Cubs - 6.30 pm Choir - 7.45 pm Bowling - 7.45 pm 21st Century Parent - 8.00
<b>Thursday:</b>	GB - 6.30 pm Midweek - 7.30 pm
<b>Friday:</b>	Squirrels - 6.30 pm Beavers - 6.30 pm Scouts - 7.45 pm The Link - 7.30 pm
<b>Saturday:</b>	Junior Youth Club - 7.00

**SUNDAY FLOWERS** for today have been kindly donated by Mr Maurice Livingstone.

## THIS WEEK

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**DISCIPLESHIP EXPLORED** Perfect for new Christians, those who have completed Christianity Explored/Alpha or for anyone who wants to make the most of their Christian life. Discipleship Explored is an eight week journey into the book of Philippians allowing participants to explore for themselves the meaning of Paul's extraordinary words, "For me to live is Christ and to die is gain".

**Monday evenings 7.30pm - 9.00 pm in the Lounge**  
**6th February - 26th March**

To enrol please add your name and contact number to the sheet on the welcome desk. To find out more or to help with the course in any way, please contact Tommy Nelson.

**CHURCH MEMBERSHIP CLASSES** - anyone who would like to profess their faith publicly and become a Communicant Member of West Church is invited to attend Church Membership Classes in the minister's room from 7.45 - 8.30 pm on the following Sunday evenings: 5th, 12th, 26th February and 4th, 11th and 18th March.

**21ST CENTURY PARENT** A series of short DVD talks by Care for the Family founder Rob Parsons, a well known author and speaker on family issues, will be followed by discussion groups. The dates continue at 8.00 pm on the following Wednesdays in the Lounge: 8 February, 22 February and 7 March.

**PW** will meet Tuesday 7 February at 8.00 pm in the Simpson Hall. Stephen McLean has agreed to talk to us about his work with young people and also his involvement with ACTS Ministries Ireland. Members are also reminded that we are having a Gift Night and are asked to come prepared please.

## PRAYER

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**SUNDAY PRAYER TIME** -10.30 am and 6.00 pm in the Prayer Room. **Everyone Welcome** Please remember to collect your copy of the PRAYER BULLETIN from the Welcome Desk.

**PRAYER MINISTRY** is available each week after morning Service and on the first Sunday of each month after evening services. This will take place at the front of the Church and is open to everyone who would like prayer.

**PRAYER BREAKFAST** will be held on Saturday 11 February at 9.00 am in Montgomerys.

## YOUTH

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**SWITCH** is on **today** for those in years 8 - 11 in the Lounge.

**JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB** will be on 11 February 2012.

**YOUTH FELLOWSHIP** this evening at 8.00 pm in the Lounge.

## WEST NEWS

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**CHILD PROTECTION AWARENESS TRAINING** Calling all leaders, assistant leaders, helpers and volunteers involved in our Youth and Children's Organisations. In accordance with **PCI Regulations, Child Protection Training is required at least every 3 years for all those working with children and young people in our congregation.** The Taking Care Office has organised a **Training Session for West Church on Monday 27 February 2012 at 7.30 pm in the Simpson Hall.** Please make every effort to attend the above event and update yourself on the latest Child Protection issues.

**CRECHE ROTAS** are now available for collection from the Welcome Desk.

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**CONGREGATIONAL COMMITTEE MEETING** will be on Tuesday 14 February at 7.30 pm in the Minor Hall. Papers are available in the vestibule.

**ALL SINGERS** We are having two special practices for a praise service on the 26th Feb. It would be great to have all singers involved. So anyone involved with Christmas music please come along. The two practices will be Wed 15th and Wed 22nd Feb at 7.45pm. Anyone who would like to take part will be made more than welcome, even if you haven't been involved before. We will be covering a mixture of music.

**THE LEPROSY MISSION** was pleased to receive £625 collected in the year 2011. This was the highest total ever and all those who donated this amount, our thanks for their generosity and care. Dora Henry.

**CYCLES OF REFRESHING - Saturday 10th March at 9.00am - 1.00pm.** This is your invitation to come and join us for a light continental breakfast and some teaching with Desi and Heather Maxwell in the Simpson Hall/Lounge. Tickets are available from Anne Millar and Hiliary Taylor cost £5.00.