

WHAT A CELEBRATION!!

On 15th April we had the most wonderful day. Two of our lovely volunteers, Tina and Lynne, got baptised. We had the very special honour of joining in with the Oasis Christian Centre in Beeston, where they were also baptising some of their young people. So many people volunteers and friends from Hope House, representing several different churches, joined in unity with our dear friends at Oasis. It was a day of great blessing for everyone present, one to be remembered with great thanks for a long time to come.



Volunteer of the Year!

Huge congratulations to Peter Murphy on being awarded The Pride of Gedling Volunteer of the Year Award. Peter has worked enthusiastically and tirelessly as a leader of the Carlton foodbank and in running the massively successful summer holiday breakfast club at St Paul's Church. Peter would undoubtedly want to give credit to the many other volunteers involved, but his own commitment is inspirational.



HOPE GATHERING

Amongst our volunteers and guests at Hope House there are growing numbers who want to gather together for worship. This is very encouraging, but creates a dilemma! All of the activities at Hope House are the result of many different people from different churches, and others too, coming together in unity to help those in need. So we wanted to find a way of gathering in worship and celebrating what God is doing amongst us, whilst honouring this unity. We have begun to meet fortnightly for worship at 4pm on Sunday afternoons at a time when anyone can come and remain committed to their own church. We began meeting on Easter Day. We've had a great time so far praising God together in unity. Everyone is welcome to join us.

“HOPE LONG EATON” IS BORN!!

About a year ago our dear friends Carl and Becca McCarthy came to see us to share that they felt called to set up something similar to Hope House Beeston, where they live in Long Eaton. We have so pleased to help them learn and make progress towards this by volunteering as befrienders within Hope Café. They have been wonderful helpers. Over the last few months they have put on some community events in Long Eaton to test the waters. They also invited representatives from the local authority to visit Hope House. They have been so impressed that they have now funded the hire of a community hall to run Hope Community Café for Long Eaton, starting in May. With support from local churches and others in Long Eaton, Carl and Becca will be setting up Hope Long Eaton as an independent charitable trust, supported and run by the local community. At Hope Nottingham we are so excited and encouraged by this. We will be praying for them, encouraging them and supporting them in any way we can. We look forward to seeing what God will do through Hope Long Eaton!!





Alpha

ALPHA COURSE

Why am I here? Is there meaning to life? Is there really a God?

Do you have questions about life that you would like to discuss in a safe, welcome and friendly environment?

If so, we would love to see you on the Alpha course running at **Hope House Beeston** every Monday evening from 7:30pm to 9:15pm.

Start Date – Monday 14th May

For more information contact Hope Nottingham on: 0303 040 1110

HOPE YOUTH EXPLOSION!!

A year ago St John's College Nottingham offered a CYM youth and community student to work with us on placement. This was an answer to prayer because we needed a new co-ordinator for our Youth Club. Jade came along, nervous and timid but with a huge passion to serve young people in the name of Jesus. A year on the youth group has grown from about 10 to over 40. It is growing in popularity and meeting a real need. A few parents have even approached Jade to ask for help with their children's education as some struggle with mainstream school. The youth volunteer team is growing in number & confidence. Please pray as we seek ways to fund Jade to continue working with us after she finishes her course this summer.

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HADRIAN'S WALL AND THE 3 AMIGOS!!

Six years ago Pastor Nigel Yates of Beeston Oasis and Revd Antony Oakley of Queens Road Methodist Church told Nigel Adams, Director of Hope Nottingham, "You are going to cycle 'coast to coast' with us!" It was to be in aid of Hope Nottingham

so Nigel A. was bound to agree! And so the 3 amigos completed 143 arduous miles cross country cycling and raised £3000. Last summer, before Antony moved from Beeston to Morpeth Methodist Church, the intrepid and reckless trio talked each other into having a reunion adventure. Being a little older and stiffer (but apparently not wiser) walking seemed a more attractive idea than cycling and so they committed themselves to walking Hadrian's Wall... 84 miles over 5 days, starting on June 4th. They will be ably supported by driver and organiser Wayne Pearce, who will also encourage and motivate the team and definitely not laugh when they start staggering and limping. **We would be so grateful for sponsorship support for Hope Nottingham and Hope Youth Club in particular.** You can support this folly at <https://my.give.net/HadriansWallWalk>



HOPE JOB CLUB IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BEESTON LIBRARY

The Job Club at Hope House in Beeston has been really successful. In the last year we have helped 16 people get into paid employment. Building in this achievement we are now developing a partnership with Inspire at Beeston Library. The Library has an excellent computer suite specifically for the purpose of enabling people to do online job searches. However, many people wanting to use these facilities need help and encouragement both to learn how to use the computers and to search for work effectively. So Hope Nottingham has offered a team of volunteers to support people in the library every Tuesday. Those people who need support in other ways can then also be directed to Hope House where there is a whole community waiting to help them.