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The Noise 2005 - Horfield and Lockleaze

The Noise is becoming a permanent fixture in the North Bristol calendar! This is the 4th year running that local Churches have joined forces to serve the Lockleaze community – and more recently the Horfield community as well! Over the May Bank Holiday Weekend (30th April - 2nd May) **Ebe** and **City Church North** will be working hard to serve the residents of Lockleaze & Horfield. Christians from churches across Bristol, will join us in **showing God's love in practical ways**.



Above St James Church at the end of the Noise 2004
 "We **love** because **He** first **loved** us"
 (1 John 4:19)

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So what is planned so far??

Individual Projects

We will be offering help to individuals and families who need work done in their house or garden.

Community Projects

We will offer to help in community areas where we can make a positive impact:

- clear litter and rubbish - parks/greens/garage lots/streets & lanes
- schools - painting of fences/railings, cleaning windows
- community areas - landscaping/cutting down trees/pruning overgrown trees/clearing rubbish
- free car washing in Lockleaze and Upper Horfield

Engaging with Community Groups

- kids club
- youth work (sports activities and team games/nail bars/car mechanics workshop/break dancing)
- senior citizens banquet

Community Fun Afternoon on Monday afternoon on Gainsborough Square in Lockleaze - Inflatables, hair-braiding/face-painting/nail-bar, youth bus, fire engine, games, jumble sale, **Lockleaze roadshow**, etc..

Volunteers sign up NOW!!

We are looking for 200 volunteers, this year, so please pick up an application form from the Welcome Desk or sign up and pay online – www.northbristolnoise.org.uk. Cost is only £5 for administration and tshirt!



Next 24-3 Prayer for 'The Noise 2005'

Starts **Wednesday 27th April** at 6am until Friday 29th April at midnight!

Book your times to pray for 'the Noise 2005' on the Noise Volunteers website - www.northbristolnoise.org.uk or sign up on Sundays on the sign up sheet.

STOP PRESS!! 24-7 Prayer Room will then be permanently available for continuous prayer. Sign up online to reserve an hour slot for you or a group of friends. More details soon

Extra Dates

- **Worship and Intercession Evening** on Tuesday 5th April and Tuesday 3rd May at 8pm at Ebe
- **Time Out** (ladies only) on Tuesday 12th April and Tuesday 10th May at 7.45pm at Ebe.
- **Lockleaze Prayer Meeting** on Monday 11th April and Monday 9th May at St James Church at 8pm
- **Newcomers Meal** on Sunday 10th April at 12.45pm at Ebe.
- **School of Theology** on Sunday 17th April at 12.45pm at Ebe.
- **The Max - Citywide Childrens event** on Saturday 23rd April, 6pm at Woodlands Church.
- **Family Communion Service** on Sunday 22nd May at 9.30am at Upper Horfield School
- **Men Utd** on Monday 18th April and Monday 16th May

Why 2005?

2005 offers an exceptional series of opportunities for the UK government to take a lead internationally in tackling world poverty.

The government's position as the chair of the G8 and the president of the EU (in the second half of the year) means that its voice will have added importance at international meetings. Coming in the same year as the 20th anniversary of Live Aid and the Africa Commission report, there is a real prospect of progress being made on many development issues.

Full details available at - www.winningwaysweb.com/walls

MAKEPOVERTYHISTORY

With 2.8 billion people living in poverty in our world today, something has to change. Make Poverty History is a coalition of over 200 organisations (including Tearfund, World Vision and Christian Aid), to call for change in the areas of **international trade, aid and debt**.



The white band is the symbol of the Make Poverty History campaign. Available from local Oxfam shops or from various online shops.

www.ebe.org.uk/makepovertyhistory

At Ebe, we will be highlighting this campaign with Bible studies and other ways of getting involved during '**Global Action Week for Trade Justice**' from 10-16th April.

'Luv Esther'

A musical for such a time as this.

PREMIERE

Tuesday 24th May
7.30pm at Colston Hall,
"Luv Esther brings a genuine call for the church to fall headlong in love with Jesus and reach out with His compassion for the poor, broken and lost both locally and globally"

Tickets available at
www.luvesther.com or
telephone 01454 414880

PRAY FOR THE HARVEST : WITHOUT WALLS

On April 16th Pray for the Harvest gets unleashed! For the first time since the events were launched at the end of 2002 this regional prayer gathering is moving outdoors. **Without Walls** will incorporate all the usual elements that have made these prayer events so compelling - great worship, united expression, creativity, presentational excellence, something for everyone, and a focus on friends and family finding faith. But this

time it's going to be in the open air.

There's something very powerful about the church

coming together to pray in a public arena. Come and join us, and be part of something life changing. **Because when you pray without walls, the sky really is the limit.**

The event will take place on **Saturday April 16th, 2-4pm**. A huge festival stage will be erected in front



of the Lloyds Building, in the centre of Bristol, and the Amphitheatre will be transformed into a place of united prayer. Without walls.

The afternoon will feature input from worship leaders, speakers, choirs and artists and promises to be the largest open air prayer gathering in many years.



Ignite

(18-30's pastorate)

Saturday 14th May

**7.30pm @ St James Church,
Romney Avenue, Lockleaze.**

Invitations will be available at the beginning of April to invite friends along, including a 3 course meal. Fancy dress. Cost — £6.50

BAPTISM: What is it and why do it?

Everybody's story of how they became a Christian is different. Baptism is public sign that that change has taken place in a person's life, that they have a new faith and that they are willing to take a stand and say so.

We baptise people by immersing

them in water (and quickly bringing them out again!) The Bible speaks of baptism as a picture of someone dying to their old life as they go down under the water, then rising again to a new life with Jesus. There's nothing special about the water, and neither the water nor being baptised actually changes anyone. But this is something Jesus tells us to do, He even set us the example by being baptised Himself, and as we take that step of obedience to Him we can expect a powerful personal encounter with the God who delights to see His children following Him.

Next Baptism Service at Upper Horfield School is on **Sunday 24th April** at 10.30am.

If you would like to get baptised, then please speak to someone on the leadership team.

Daytime Alpha Course

An opportunity to explore the meaning of life



New course starts:

Friday 10th June in the morning

Venue and time: TBC

(Please help yourself to Alpha invitations, to invite friends or come yourself). Book your place now!

www.ebe.org.uk/alpha

Why bother with short-term mission?

You may think that going on a short-term mission trip is just for people who feel 'called' to long-term mission, but actually that's not true. Going on a short-term mission trip overseas can be a life changing experience for **anyone** in the church. And it shouldn't just be young people who consider a short-term mission, families can go, individuals or even those retired. In truth short-term mission is for **everyone!**

So why consider it? Well, it's the chance to do something totally new; to visit a different country and to be immersed in a different culture and language. Although it means stepping out of your comfort zone and leaving the familiar behind, the blessings are amazing! Sometimes it's only when we step out in faith that we really learn to trust God and to rely on Him.

A short-term mission trip is only a taster of the mission field, but God can still use it. And when we return home, we find that we have been changed. We've become a 'world Christian' with a new perspective on taking Jesus to the whole world.

Interested? Speak to anyone on the missions team: Steve Allan, John Becker, Wendy Wardle, Sarah North or Claire Proudfoot.



The next course will run for 6 weeks from
Wednesday 20th April - 25th May
7.30pm-9.30pm.

at Monks Park School

Bookings now being taken by telephoning
0117 9791399 or online at

www.drugproofcourse.co.uk

Flyers available on the Welcome Desk or telephone the above number.

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SUMMER TERM TEACHING PROGRAMME

Below is the teaching programme for the next 3 months, for All Age Worship services, at Upper Horfield School at 10.30am. We will be working through a teaching programme entitled 'The Christian Mindset...'

3rd Apr	Motivated by love	1 Cor 2:16; Phm 4-21; 1 Jn 3:11-18	Adrian Reed
10th Apr	Fit for the Kingdom	2 Thess 1:3-12 (<i>the Message</i>)	Derek Powell
17th Apr	Being an example	1 Tim 1:12-20; 4:11-14	Sarah Richardson
24th Apr	The Uniqueness of God and of Christianity	1 Tim 2:1-7	Phill Nutt
1st May	A willingness to learn	(1 Cor 2:16); Matt 11:29;	Adrian Reed
8th May	Changing our values	1 Tim 6:3-19	TBA
15th May	An openness to the Spirit	2 Tim 1:1-12	Derek Powell
22nd May	Living by the Spirit	Gal 5:13-26	Stewart North
29th May	Giving authority to scripture	2 Tim 3:10-17	John Becker
5th June	Looking out on eternity	2 Cor 5:1-10; 2 Tim 4:1-8	TBA
12th June	Not trapped in the crowd	Matt 22:15-22	Steve Allan
19th June	Being good citizens	Titus 3:1-11	Derek Powell
26th June	MakePovertyHistory		Roger Allen

WOODLANDS EVENING CELEBRATIONS

Ebe joins with other churches around the city on Sunday evenings for a Celebration service at **Woodlands Christian Centre** in Clifton at 7pm. Sunday evening services have a focus on extended worship, teaching and prayer ministry and there are often alternatives to the main sermon with seminar-style opportunities. Below is the Summer term's Sunday evening teaching series at Woodlands.

		reference	speaker
3rd Apr	God's Faithfulness	Lam 3:23&57	Dave Mitchell
10th Apr	A Prophet	Ezekiel 2:5	Rob Scott-Cook
17th Apr	A Man in the Gap	Ezekiel 22:30	Dave Mitchell
24th Apr	Alpha Guest Service		Tim Dobson
1st May	A Watchman	Ezekiel 33:7	Philip Jinadu
8th May	A New Heart	Ezekiel 36:26	Rob Scott-Cook
15th May	Worship		Dave Mitchell
22nd May	A River	Ezekiel 47:5	Pam Scott-Cook
29th May	Revealer of Mysteries	Daniel 2:22	Tim Dobson
5th June	No Hair Singed	Daniel 3:27	Derek Powell
12th June	"More"		Ruth Hiatt
19th June	The Mouths of Lions	Daniel 6:22	Rob Scott-Cook
26th June	You began to Pray	Daniel 9:23	Tim Dobson

St James Church Launch

Dave Jeal, chaplain of the Ashfield Young Offenders Institute, will be leading a new work at **St James Church** on Romney Avenue, Lockleaze, in partnership with Ebe. Dave's heart is for forming a congregation from people living in the community and will be aimed at working class families.

The new church will be launched with a **Community Sports Day** on **Saturday 4th June**. Full details will be available later. Please pray for Dave and his family, as they prepare for this new work.



St James Church website - www.stj.org.uk