

# Family Life @ ABC

Sunday 13th Sept

WE ARE PRAYING...

COULD WE PRAY FOR YOU?

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## Ecclesiastes



LIFE under the sun

This week, we continue to explore the words of the teacher in the first chapter of the Book of Ecclesiastes. He considers what is to be gained through learning a seeking after knowledge to gain wisdom and understanding and concludes that this too is '...meaningless, a chasing after the wind.'

**[Join Here on Sunday @10am \(open from 9.30\)](#)**

### Church Admin team

We are sorry to let you know that, due to family reasons, Kate Bryans is leaving her post as Church Administrator. Kate has been a key member of our staff team for the last two years and will be missed greatly in the office.

We are looking at how we structure admin support going forward and would ask that you bear with us as we get to grips with this, especially as it isn't 'business as usual' at the moment with the impact of COVID.

Any admin queries can still be directed to [info@altrinchambaptist.org](mailto:info@altrinchambaptist.org) or a message left on the answer machine on [0161 941 3052](tel:01619413052) and Sarah Brandt or another member of the team will get back to you.

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## PRAYING FOR OURSELVES, OUR WORLD AND OTHERS.....

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The prayer email team would be delighted to receive further prayer requests, from those within, or outside of our community, who may be in need of prayer at this time. Please email any such prayer requests to [prayer@altrinchambaptist.org](mailto:prayer@altrinchambaptist.org)

Where possible it's good to ask if others would value being prayed for (first name only). Your enquiry will hopefully become a 'faith-builder' or at least an encouragement through your care. The individual on the rota then prays, as per emailed prayer request, for 5 days following the receipt. (NB All prayer requests received are depersonalised by our admin team, to protect identity, before forwarding to our wonderful prayer team).

The team pray too for global, national and more local issues, (currently including; work within the Hub, ABC employees and Core Team...PLUS all those in our local community...yourselves included!).

The blessing from Numbers 6, v24 is now boldly displayed at the front of our Hale Road building. It is hoped all passers-by will be encouraged by these words and some, might just be encouraged to begin to pray too!

## Kick Start

*Let's talk about.....* facing life during lockdown



*Kick Start Community* is an online weekly group offering a space where you can begin to unload with others how lockdown life has affected you. Whether you've been affected by unemployment, reduced income, worry or loss during the past few months, *Kick Start Community* is a place to share with others who are facing similar circumstances.

Runs every Wednesday 11am-12pm (please note new time). To get the link to meet online, please contact Claire on 0789428884 [clairegregory@capuk.org](mailto:clairegregory@capuk.org).

There is the option to join online with camera or simply listen in—just ask and we can let you know how!

## Have you lost your prescription sunglasses?

Pre-lockdown a pair of Hugo Boss prescription sunglasses was picked up at the church. Please contact the church office if these belong to you and we will arrange for them to be delivered or collected—[info@altrinchambaptist.org](mailto:info@altrinchambaptist.org)

## Children and Youth work at the present time

We are working hard at this time to try & return to face to face work, however there is a lot involved to make sure that we do this safely & don't rush into it. So for the time being, we will continue to provide online youth provision & will be offering online families work in the not too distant future.

Please be patient as we get to grips with the evolving situation, & guidance.

God Bless  
Rob and Sarah

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## Altrincham Community Response Hub 0300 330 9073

We are continuing to support our local community with food shopping and deliveries, friendly chats and other forms of help as required.

Please pray for all involved, our staff and volunteers, Council officers and all partner organizations with whom we have been working.

If you need help or know of someone else who needs help in any of these ways please don't hesitate to contact the helpline number

0300 330 9073

We have continued to work in partnership with Trafford Council over the summer period to resource the Altrincham Community Response Hub, including ongoing support for the Trussell Trust Food Bank.

Our new opening hours are, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10.00am - 2.00pm. We are now in discussions with the Council to determine what further help will be needed over the coming months and how we may be able to assist. A VERY BIG THANK YOU to church staff and the many volunteers that have been & continue to be involved in this valuable work in supporting members of our local community many of whom have experienced isolation & loneliness during this time.

### Hub Support Needed!

Whilst life at the Hub is slowly shifting back towards normal activities, we are still supporting local residents in our role as a response hub. Most significantly we are still delivering much needed shopping and food parcels. *Are you DBS checked and could you spare a few hours on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday to help share the load with our delivery team? Once a week? Once a fortnight?* (Social distancing always maintained!) Please contact Anna or Claire at the Hub if you are able to help: [info@ourhub.org](mailto:info@ourhub.org), 0161 941 2018

### The Hub - What's next...

It's a hive of activity at the moment at the Hub as we continue to work our way through the various risk assessments needed to re-open safely for activities.

We have already seen a few of our external hirers back in the building this past week and hopefully there will be more to follow.

Discussions are taking place with ABC ministry groups as well - we can't wait to see things getting back up and running in some shape or form!



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## Volunteer opportunity—Centre Co-ordinator



The Altrincham Child Contact Centre is urgently looking for someone to take over the role of Centre Co-Ordinator. All positions at ACCC are on a volunteer basis so there is no remuneration on offer at the moment.

While the centre currently remains closed due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the position needs to be filled as soon as possible to allow for a hand over and the planning for reopening of the Contact Centre as soon as it is safe to do so.

On average, the Co-Ordinator would need to commit around 6 hours per week to the position (this can vary from week to week). Your time will be spent primarily dealing with new enquiries, setting up and conducting interviews with the families, organising volunteer rosters, and monitoring DBS checks and training needs for volunteers.

If you are interested please email [info@altrinchambaptist.org](mailto:info@altrinchambaptist.org) and further information with a full job description can be made available.

You can also visit [www.acc-centre.org.uk](http://www.acc-centre.org.uk) to find out more about the important service the Contact Centre provides to our wider community.

## Communications and Fundraising Officer

TRANS WORLD RADIO is seeking a self-motivated person with relevant experience and the very best strategic and communication skills; a flexible and creative person to develop, with the CEO, our communications and fundraising programme.



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For further details and an application form, please contact: Dr Russell Farnworth, [rfarnworth@twr.org.uk](mailto:rfarnworth@twr.org.uk) T: 0161 923 0271 [www.twr.org.uk/vacancies](http://www.twr.org.uk/vacancies)

Closing date: 30 September, 2020