

WEEKLY ACTIVES

Monday

10:00 Prayer Meeting

11:00-1300 Open Doors

19:30 Mission Council Meeting

Tuesday

10:00 Crossroads Cafe

13:30 Home League

18:00 Jam Club

20:00 Songster Practice

Wednesday

10:00 Little Stars

Thursday

12:00 Knit and Natter

17:15 Sing

18:15 Youth Next Door

20:00 Band Practice

Friday

14:00 Treasured Moments Memory Cafe

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

January

19th Commitment Sunday

27th Night Shelter Week commences

Rock Ferry Salvation Army Community Church



ROCK FERRY LINK

Commanding Officers: Captains Alex and Sian Wood

Meetings and Activities Guide - 12th January 2020



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Sunday 12th January

09:30 Prayer Meeting

10:00 Morning Worship

Sunday 19th January - Commitment Sunday

09:30 Prayer Meeting

10:00 Morning Worship

Corps Family News

Mike Ring has been ill over Christmas and has now been diagnosed with pneumonia again.

Please pray for all members of our Corps family who are unwell or in need of support during this winter period.

Christmas Carolling 2019

Thank You to everyone who has helped with the Christmas Carolling effort last year. We raised the grand total of £6,500.02

Commitment Sunday

Next Sunday will be our Annual Commitment Sunday. As part of this, we will also take an opportunity to look at the Corps Mission Values. To help us do this, after the meeting next Sunday we will share together in some lunch after which we will have a time of discussion. Everyone is invited to be part of this discussion, and it would be good to have as many members of the corps as possible be part of this important time together.

Parking

Can people who are fully able please remember to leave spaces at the front of the hall for those who struggle with walking.

BIBLE VERSE - *But we don't need to write to you about the importance of loving each other, for God himself has taught you to love one another.*

1 Thessalonians 4:9

THOUGHT - The divergence from the straight road is often so very small that he who has abandoned it may easily for a time persuade himself that he is still pursuing it. John Brown

SMILE - Do what lets you sense God's pleasure. Unknown

Holy Habits to Cultivate This Year

Do you get excited at the beginning of each New Year? In my home, there's a palpable sense of anticipation as our family watches the New Year's ball drop in Times Square. When we change our calendar from December to January, I always experience a strong sense of renewal and rekindled hope as we lean into the precious promises of God. *For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.* – Jeremiah 29:11 Time is a priceless commodity. As the Apostle Paul advises: *Be very careful, then, how you live – not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity...* – Ephesians 5:15-16

This year, instead of obsessing over all of the things we want to accomplish, let's focus our families instead on who God is calling us to be! Let's develop holy habits that will help us to shine brightly for Christ in our families and communities. Let's walk in ways that are aligned with God's purposes, as revealed through His Word.

What does God want us to spend our days thinking about? How does God want us to express our faith and values to others? Where does God want us to focus our time, energy, and attention each day? No matter who we are or what we do, there are certain principles that God wants us to live by:

God wants us to walk by faith, not by sight. Instead of focusing on the external circumstances of life and allowing our problems to overwhelm us, He wants us to shift our thoughts away from the things of this world and onto the promises of God.

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. – Hebrews 11:1

For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" in Christ. And so through him the "Amen" is spoken by us to the glory of God. – 2 Corinthians 1:20

God wants us grow in spiritual maturity – to walk in the power of the Holy Spirit – and to exhibit spiritual fruit in our lives.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. – Galatians 5:22-23

God calls us to live in community – to bear one another's burdens – to encourage one another – to sharpen each other like iron.

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching. – Hebrews 10:24-25

God wants us to love one another as He has loved us. In each and every aspect of our lives, He calls us to live and love like Jesus. The holiest habit we can cultivate in the upcoming year is to be a more loving person – not just with those who are easy to love – but especially with the more prickly souls among us.

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