



December 2021

Sunday Events:

There are no small groups this month with all Sunday meetings taking place at Monks Yard, Ilminster.

This month we are continuing to focus on prayer.

"...to be a prayerful community practicing a daily rhythm which includes all kinds of prayers."

Sunday 7th November, 10:30am
Intimacy in prayer

Sunday 14th November, 10:30am
(Remembrance Sunday)
Maturity in prayer

Sunday 21th November, 10:30am
Sharing answers to prayer

Sunday 28st November, 10:30am
A morning of prayer

Connect Groups:

MY Photography:

Tuesday 2nd November, 7.30 pm

MY Creative Crafts:

Monday 8th November, 10.30 am to 12.30 pm.

MY Workshop:

Every Monday, 10 am to 1 pm



*"The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders; where morning dawns, where evening fades, you call forth songs of joy."
(Psalm 65:8 NIV).*

Watching fireworks in the night sky is a great thing to do. To see all the colours burst onto the black background.

It's certainly amazing to look up in the sky but I love also to look at the people around me, particularly the children. I love watching as they stare intently up at the sky waiting for the next explosion and the "oohs and aahhs" that follow.

If you look around the crowd at a firework display you see a whole group of different kinds of people, old and young staring into the sky in wonder at the colourful display.

If we do that at the sight of fireworks imagine the awe and wonder we are going to express when we meet God face to face. We will be completely transfixed on him. The great thing about God is that we don't have to wait until we leave this world to be able to experience his wonder. There are expressions of God all around us, through creation, through his children and through his work inside each one of us. When we notice his power, his grace and his wonder let us not move on too quickly, but spend time in the knowledge that his power is far greater than any firework display and we are truly honoured to be in HIS crowd.

Marilyn x

“Baby— basics” South Somerset

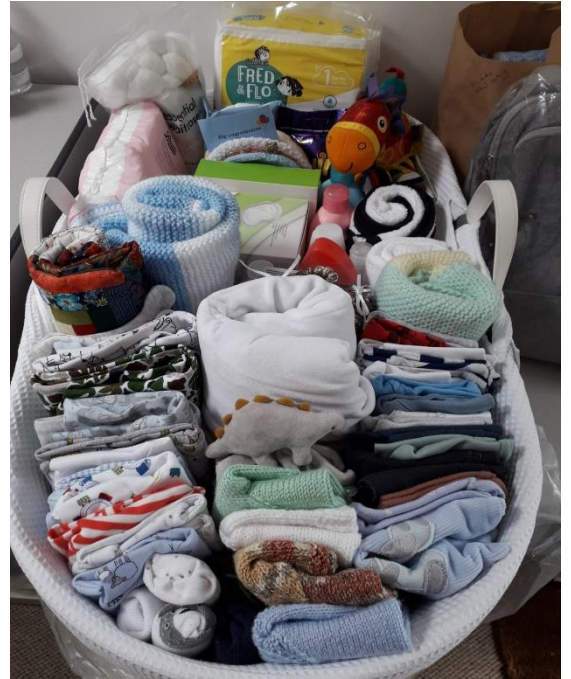
The past month with Baby Basics:

We have completed and sent out 8 starter packs to families across the South West, with 9 already on our system for November.

We are currently in need of the following items:

- Size 1 nappies
- Baby shampoo
- Baby lotion
- Baby bubble bath
- Baby soap/wash

We have had a busy month with donations. Our community has been so generous. Therefore, at the moment we aren't taking in many donations until we have gained a bit more space. Donations are still made by appointment.



This past month we have received another monetary donation from Waitrose for £1000, which is amazing! This money gives our finances a boost, and gives us security as we move into 2022.

If you have any questions or would like to chat more about what we're doing please either send us an email at babybasicssouthsomerset@gmail.com or call us on 07541 336732.

Thank you,
Lisa x

Thank you to all who have taken a shoebox for this year's Operation Christmas Child appeal. Each prayerfully packed gift you send is a powerful reminder of God's amazing love. The shoeboxes you fill with toys, accessories, hygiene items and school supplies enable local ministry partners to reach out in love to families in their community with the joy of a shoebox gift and the Good News of Jesus.

At time of writing, we still have a couple of shoeboxes left. Please return them to us before the 15th November to ensure that they arrive on time.





<https://releaseinternational.org/>

Release international issues a prayer diary every three months called Prayer Shield. You can get your copy through their website.

Here are two items from the current prayer diary:



Thirty-three Christians were killed by Fulani militants in raids on villages in Nigeria in July 2021. Manasseh lost eight of his relatives in this attack.

In Pakistan, a 14-year-old Christian girl was abducted. Her family has been sent copies of documents stating she converted to Islam and has married.

Remembering our persecuted brothers and sisters every day in prayer keeps their plight in the forefront of our minds.

MY CHURCH ONLINE:



MARION'S THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:

Visit the link below to see daily videos from Marion. Please log into YouTube so that you can click the like button and subscribe. This helps to attract more viewers. Videos can be found using the link below.

<https://monksyard.link/MTFTD>



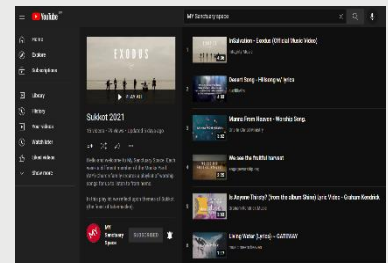
PRAYER MEETING:

Every Tuesday @ 7pm

We meet together for prayer via Zoom.

As always, if you can't attend, please let us know if you have any prayer requests.

<https://monksyard.link/Zoom>



SANCTUARY SPACE:

Each week a member of MY Church creates a playlist of worship music.

All playlists can be found using the link below. If you would like to create a playlist for us, please contact Phil.

<https://monksyard.link/SS>

Prayer Room Makeover:

Our prayer room in the Manor House is in need of a good clean and needs to be decorated.

I am off work between 15th and 20th November and plan to sort out the prayer room. I am however a terrible painter and decorator, so if you don't want the prayer room to look like a complete mess and you have a spare couple of hours that week, help would be appreciated! Please let me know if you are available. Thank You.

Phil

STAYING CONNECTED:

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**If you need any help or support,
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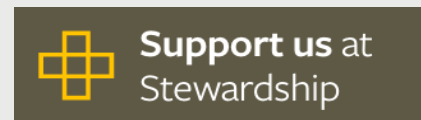
Are on sabbatical.



OFFERINGS:

We are so grateful for your generosity and commitment to the continued work of MY Church and support with our ongoing costs. Your giving is making a difference.

You can now donate through Stewardship. If you are viewing this newsletter digitally simply click the button below or visit our website.



www.mychurchuk.co.uk/donate

You can also specify if you want your donation to go to a specific project such as Baby Basics or MY Workshop.

A screenshot of a yellow donation form. It features a 'Project' dropdown menu with options: 'Choose your project here', 'General funds', 'Baby Basics South Somerset', and 'MY Workshop'. To the right, there are two radio button options under 'Protecting your privacy': 'Please share my contact details with the recipient I'm supporting, for this gift.' and 'I'd like to remain anonymous - please don't pass on my details, for this gift.'. Below the project menu is a text box labeled 'Any details or reference' with the placeholder text 'Enter details here if you wish'.

The advantage of giving via Stewardship is you can fill out the Gift Aid form online. Gift Aid makes a huge difference as we receive **an extra 25p for every £1 donated!**

You can also give using the following details:

The Monks Yard Church
Account Number: 01309233
Sort Code: 30 92 40

You can also post a cheque to Monks Yard (address on reverse side) made payable to Monks Yard Church.



GIFT AID DECLARATION

Donor: (please print clearly)

Title: _____ Forename(s): _____ Surname: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

I want the charity to treat as Gift Aid: (please tick as appropriate)

- All donations I have made since 6th April 2021, and all donations I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise.
- The enclosed donation of £ _____
- The donation of £ _____ that I made on _____
- All donations I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Please cut along dotted line and keep notes for your reference

Notes on Gift Aid declaration:

1. You must pay an amount of income tax and / or capital gains tax at least equal to the tax that the charity reclaims on your donations in the tax year (currently 25p for each £1 donated).
2. If your declaration covers donations you may make in the future, please notify the charity if you change your name or address while the declaration is still in force.
3. You can cancel the declaration at any time by notifying the charity. It will then not apply to donations you make on, or after the date of cancellation or such later date as you specify.
4. If in the future your circumstances change and you no longer pay tax on your income and / or capital gains tax equal to the tax that the charity can reclaim, you can cancel your declaration.
5. If you pay tax at the higher rate, you can claim further tax relief in your Self Assessment tax return.
6. If you are unsure whether your donations qualify for Gift Aid Tax Relief, ask the charity, or your local tax office, or refer to leaflet IR65-Giving to charity by individuals, available on-line or through your local tax office.