

LIFESPRING NEWS

WEEK BEGINNING 10TH SEPTEMBER 2018

Monday:	Boys Brigade and Girls Association 6.00pm	Ollerton
	Launch Connect Group 7.30pm	Ollerton
Wednesday:	Parent and Toddler 9.30am	Ollerton
	Alpha 7.00pm	Warsop
Thursday:	Prayer 9.30am	Warsop
Friday:	Prayer 9.00am	Ollerton
	Bible Study 10.00am	Ollerton

Life Groups are taking place as usual this week in various locations.

Music Practice takes place every Monday evening at 7.30pm, except Bank Holidays.

Connect Group

We love to see every attendee of the Church welcomed into a mid-week small group. "Connect" is the group that gets you started.

What is Connect? Connect is a "meet the Pastor" group in order to get to know him and the church.

Where and when does it take place? It takes place on Monday nights at 31 Tor Lane, Ollerton, NG22 9BT and starts at 7.30pm. The first session takes place this Monday night 10th September.

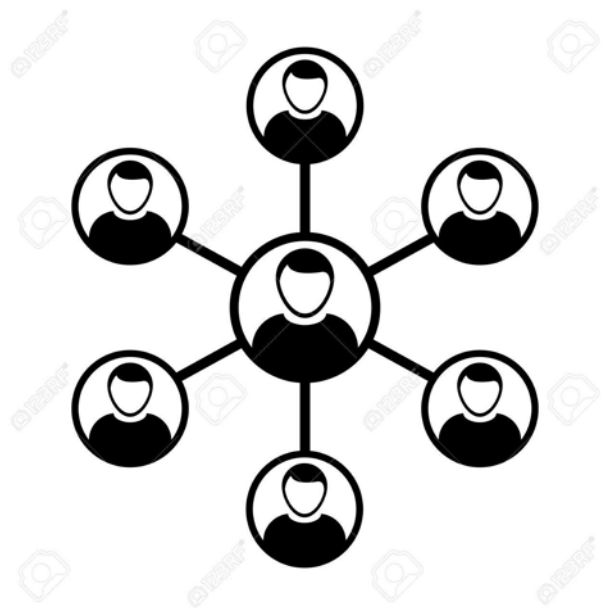
Who runs it? It is run by Mike Phillips the Pastor.

Why a "Connect" group? A Connect group is an important process for bringing a new person into the church and helping them in their journey of discipleship. Eventually, this journey can lead to formal membership and to ministry and leadership positions in the Church.

What happens at a Connect group? There is a lot of discussion and opportunity to ask questions. You will also learn some important things. For example, you will learn about the history and DNA of the church; what it means to join us and what is expected of you as a member of the body of Christ. The early sessions could be called an "induction" and then we move on to studying how to become a better follower of Jesus. We will look at how to communicate healthily with God and each other; how to handle money and material things of life; what attitude are helpful in building my life and helping to build the church?

Who should attend? The answer is simple - anyone who has never attended a "Meet the Pastor" session should at least attend the first four sessions.

What happens next? When you finish the Connect course, you will receive advice and guidance about your next steps. You will be given a "Ministry Handbook" and you will complete a very helpful "Ministry Profile" that will help guide you forwards.



Barry Woodward 23rd September

Barry Woodward will be with us again on Sunday 23rd September - in the morning at Ollerton and in the evening at Warsop. You may have heard Barry previously on many occasions, but keep in mind that Barry is coming with a passion to reach those who are “not yet” Christians. He is coming to reach our friends and our colleagues. You and I act as “bridges”. Therefore, I would ask you to make yourself available on the day to support the event. Secondly and most importantly, start praying about who will be coming with you to hear Barry.

How to be a Regular Giver to Lifespring

Thank you! First of all, a huge “thank you” for giving to Lifespring Church. Let me make it abundantly clear that without your donations we could not do the work that God has asked us to do. When you give to God, you are pushing back against the normal human desire to spend and hoard. Instead, you are choosing to invest in what God is doing at your church. You are taking positive steps toward God and toward spiritual maturity through giving.

Ways to give to Lifespring: We have three ways in which you can give:

- **Basket:** The simplest way is to put money in the **basket** every Sunday. However, there are other ways that help the Church to budget more effectively.
- **Envelope:** There is an **envelope scheme** through which you commit to donate a committed amount per week or month (your choice).
- **Standing Order:** By far the most effective way to give is to set up a **Standing Order** from your Bank to the Church Bank account. Here are the details - **Name of account: Lifespring Church: Sort Code: 60-80-09. Account number: 30114845.** You can do this online or pop into your Bank. You decide how much and how often you want to give. That’s it. It’s done! You don't have to worry about remembering your money on Sunday morning. You can go on holiday and not have to think about catching up when you get back.

Your Personal Contact: Catherine Northey: Please contact Catherine if you have any questions about giving. You may have technical questions. Catherine can be quickly and easily contacted after Church on Sunday or on 860303 from Monday to Wednesday.

Our Financial Procedures: At Lifespring, we want to reassure you that Lifespring can be trusted and that we are good stewards of the resources you provide. All our accounts are published online at the Charity Commission. Our Charity number is 1087842 and you can reference our accounts at any time.

Next Step: If you are currently putting money into the basket, then the next step for you is to become a committed giver through the envelope scheme or by standing order. Catherine can help you. If you are a regular giver, you might like to “**Gift Aid**” your donations, if you are a tax payer. This means the Church can reclaim (from the Government) 25p on every pound you donate . That’s great for the Church. Again Catherine can easily help and advise you on this.

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