

Weekly Newsletter: 15 April 2025

Visits from Overseas Missionaries

This Sunday evening we will get to hear from one of the missionaries that we regularly pray for. To protect them, we are not able to mention names or have a live stream. Please come in person if you are able. More news will be in the prayer bulletin.

From Wednesday 23 April, Lorna Ferguson (serving with OMF in Japan) will be spending three weeks with us at Holyrood. During this time, she will take part in the life of the church family from our Sunday services to visiting home groups and helping at the Baby and Toddler Group! We're delighted to have her serving with us and Lorna's keen to connect with as many in the church family as possible. If you'd like to meet Lorna or catch up with her during these three week, please contact Liz@holyroodevangelical.org

Easter Weekend Plans at HEC

We're looking forward to this weekend! Please come along to:

- Our Good Friday Service at 7pm – *The Holy Love of God*
- The Community Easter Egg Hunt (with hot cross buns, refreshments, games and children's activities) from 10am to 1pm on Saturday
- Our Easter Sunday Service at 10.30am – *The Birth of Joy*



Women's Bible Studies

Our in person Women's Bible Studies are back! We'll start meeting on Thursday 24 April at 10.30am in the church and more details to follow soon.

OMF Conference - Japan: across the street and across the world



On **Saturday 26 April** we're hosting the OMF Conference 'Japan: across the street and across the world'. Lorna Ferguson will be speaking about the work in Japan and her plans for her next term there. Jude Tindale will share about the work that's happening amongst Japanese people in Edinburgh.

Doors open at 9.30am for a 10am start. The conference will finish at 11.30am and everyone is warmly welcome. For more details go [here](#).

Friends International – We Are Celebrating!

As we look to celebrate our 40th year in 2025, we will be holding a variety of exciting events across the UK and Ireland. These will include key speakers, opportunities to learn more about what God has been doing and of our impact over the last 40 years and what we are looking forward to in the future, as well as food and much more...

An event will take place in Edinburgh at Charlotte Chapel on **26 April from 12 noon – 2pm**. Please use the link [here](#) to find out more and sign up to help planning.



Mental Health and the Church – Saturday 3 May



Saturday May 3rd 10am - 2.30pm
St Columba's Free Church
£15

Mental Health and the church

How can churches bring
transformative love of Christ to
those who face mental health
challenges?



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Christian Counselling

On Saturday 3 May, Steve Midgley (Executive Director Biblical Counselling UK) and Cory Brock (Minister, St Columba's Free Church) will be speaking on Mental Health and the Church.

They will help us think biblically about the help we can offer from a theological and practical perspective. Suitable for everyone especially those in leadership but also those who are struggling personally or have friends that are. Cost £15 and please sign up via the QR code.

Church Calendar

For your info and prayers:

- Wednesday: Prayer Meeting 7-8pm (refreshments from 6.45pm)
- Friday: Good Friday Service at 7pm
- Saturday: Community Easter Egg Hunt 10am – 1pm
- Easter Sunday:
 - Morning service at 10.30am – Joe Barnard preaching (live streamed)
 - Evening service at 6pm – Guest preacher (no live stream)



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