

Help us by the example of your Apostle Barnabas to be generous in our judgements and unselfish in our service

From the Collect for St Barnabas Day (11 June)

Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the Apostles called Barnabas (which means Son of Encouragement), sold a field he owned, and brought the money and put it at the Apostles' feet.

Acts 4:36

.... they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he arrived and saw the evidence of the grace of God, he was glad, and he encouraged them all to remain true to The Lord with all their hearts.

Acts 12:22

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Barnabas Group

The Barnabas Group Programme 2017

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The Barnabas Group

The Barnabas Group aims to provide prayerful support and mutual help to those who live alone, who may have lost a spouse or loved one, or who are alone for any other reason.

We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 10.30am at St Matthew's Church, Clarence Street, Cheltenham. We start with coffee, followed by a Bible reading, prayers, and Group notices. After these, we usually welcome a speaker on a topic of interest, finishing the meeting by 12noon. Sometimes instead of the meeting at St Matthew's Church we have an outing and lunch together at a suitable venue.

If you know someone who would like to join us, please do encourage them to come to one of our meetings. The Barnabas Group is open to anyone who feels that they are alone, including those caring for people at home and in need of a break, or indeed any others interested in sharing our Programme.

We have a Prayer Card with the names of each member listed through the days of the month, which enables us to pray for one another.

If you would like further information about the Barnabas Group you can contact one of the leaders as follows:

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Programme 2017

January 10 Tuesday: Coffee Morning in St Matthew's with Henry and Kathy Williams giving a talk entitled "Around the world in 71 days".

February 14 Tuesday: Coffee Morning in St Matthew's including a talk by Bill Harvey about "A French Adventure".

March 14 Tuesday: Coffee Morning in St Matthew's with Audrey Martin-Doyle giving a talk entitled "Journeying through Psalm 23".

April 11 Tuesday: Coffee Morning in St Matthew's with Clare Dyson giving a talk entitled "Ministry in mud, what have I been called to?"

May 9 Tuesday: Outing to be confirmed

June 13 Tuesday: Coffee Morning in St Matthew's with Stephen Ayland giving a talk about "A lifetime of learning – some reflections!"

July 11 Tuesday: Coffee Morning in St Matthew's including a talk by Chris Pinnington entitled "Autism – What is it all about?"

September 12 Tuesday: Coffee Morning in St Matthew's with a talk by Diana Perry about "The Ectodermal Dysplasia Society".

October 10 Tuesday: Coffee Morning in St Matthew's with Bob Drew giving a talk about "The Butterfly Garden".

November 14 Tuesday: Coffee Morning in St Matthew's including a talk by the Rector, Revd Canon Dr Tudor Griffiths entitled "The Joys of a Sabbatical".

December 12 Tuesday: Christmas Lunch