

Women's Breakfast with Lucy Slavin

"Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live" Psalm 116 v 2



On Sat 9th October, just over 50 women from St Michaels and Christ Church sat down to a cooked breakfast and fruit salad. Over juice, tea and coffee we caught up with friends and it was very good to be able to do so in person after so long!

Our speaker was Lucy Slavin who is the children and family's worker at St Peter's Rock Ferry. Not only are St Peters one of our mission partners but they are also the church our new vicar Chris Slater is coming from. As Lucy reminded us (lovingly) there is a certain church who has taken two of her vicars! It was great to have the opportunity to meet one of our mission partners in person so that we can be better informed as to how we can effectively pray for them.

Lucy has an inspirational ministry. She grew up in the church family and is married to Liam with two children. Her obvious faith in Jesus and generous heart means that she is a great blessing to those around her. She has a varied ministry amongst those who live in a deprived community, heading up the children's works in church and going into the local school to teach the children there about Jesus amongst a number of other commitments. She is clearly a valued friend to those who live locally, providing car seats for a single mother with several children who found it hard to get out of the house, or housing a refugee - initially for a week - but which turned into a year! It is difficult for Lucy to see a need without being compelled to stop and help.

Lucy's heart for the poor means that she is involved in foodbanks and several other community projects, and it is a joy for her to build trust and relationships with others who may feel isolated, let down or fearful of social services or who are simply in need of a good friend.

What was apparent was Lucy's real honesty coupled with her desire to point others to Jesus. Rather than take any credit, she spoke about the difference Jesus made in her life to enable her to do these things.

Finally Lucy spoke on Psalm 116 v 2 as a passage which is meaningful to her. There was a point in her life which was a real struggle, but she clung onto these words and she has known God's faithfulness and listening ear in harder and in better times.

Please continue to remember Lucy and the team as they are involved in the new church plant, which is based at Rockferry Primary School, and for the church as they lose members to support the new venture and face a period of change as they wait for a new vicar. Pray they know God's love, faithfulness, provision and rich blessing in every way.

And do put the date of the next Women's breakfast in your diary. It is the 5th March 2022. We look forward to seeing you there.

The Women's Breakfast Team