



Birmingham Churches Together



Playing your part in the Commonwealth Games

April 2022

It's a Penalty

The West Midlands Violence Reduction Unit and Faith Alliance are partnering with the West Midlands Anti-Slavery Network and campaign charity 'It's a Penalty' to help run an anti-trafficking/modern slavery campaign before and during the Commonwealth Games.

Sadly, the risk of human trafficking/modern slavery increases when international sporting events take place. The WMVRU is inviting faith communities in the West Midlands to support the 'It's a Penalty' campaign.

A multi-faith steering group is being set up to explore ways that faith communities can promote the campaign at local level and share awareness-raising materials about spotting and reporting human trafficking.

An online meeting will take place on Tuesday 12 April, from 10:00am to 11:00am. To receive meeting access details, contact fred.kratt@westmidlands.police.uk.



Healing On The Streets

For more than ten years, the 'Healing on the Streets' prayer ministry has been run by several churches in Birmingham. During that time, over 10,000 people of all faiths and none have received prayer for healing - and for much else besides!

The plan is to run 'Healing on the Streets' sessions during the Commonwealth Games, to offer prayer for those who would appreciate it. The sessions will be run in conjunction with GOOD NEWS for Everyone! and Healing on the Streets teams from around the UK.

In preparation for this, training sessions will take place at St Martin's in the Bullring on the afternoons of Saturday 24 June and Saturday 23 July.

To apply to participate in the training sessions, e-mail: lindaisgrove@gmail.com.

BURN 24-7
UNITED KINGDOM

Commonwealth Games 'Burn'
336 hours of non-stop Worship & Prayer with Outreach

5pm, Monday 25 July - 5pm, Monday 8 August
Elim Life Church Pheasey, Romney Way, Birmingham B43 7TL

To get involved or find out more email Sarah:
commonwealth@theburn247.com

Worship - Prayer - Missions

Praying for the Games

The arrival of people from the Commonwealth Nations and Territories into Birmingham, for the Commonwealth Games, presents a God-given opportunity for the Church to radiate the love of God to those from far and near.

Using the word of God in Isaiah 62:10 to lead us, let's pray into the opportunities God has given us:

'Prepare the way for the people'. Let us be a most gracious, generous and welcoming city.

'Build up the highway & remove the stones'. Pray for a safe city, and united church, honouring one another as we seek to work together, to serve and bless. We pray God's blessing and protection over the city and Games, over all athletes, workers, volunteers, and spectators.

'Raise a banner for the nations'. Pray for the gospel of Christ to be free to flow, and for freedom to those offered Bibles, prayer, healing, counsel, support, to be able to respond to His grace. Amen

RITBAG Prayer Gathering

Online prayer meetings for the Commonwealth Games will take place at 9.00am on Mondays 9 May, 6 June and 4 July.

To attend, visit www.zoom.us, choosing the 'Join a Meeting' option, followed by Meeting ID 865 6835 3153 and Passcode 035875.

MONDAY 4TH APRIL
MONDAY 9TH MAY
MONDAY 6TH JUNE
MONDAY 4TH JULY

CG KITBAG PRAYER GATHERING

Join us by Zoom on the first Monday of each month at our KITBAG prayer gathering/check in.

Each month's meeting details:
Meeting ID: 865 6835 3153
Passcode: 035875

KITBAG PRAYER MEETING COMMUNITY

To keep updated, please visit:
www.birminghamchurches.org.uk/commonwealthgames/