

WONDEROUS JOY IN JESUS

BY MICHELLE ROSS

In recent weeks I found myself in a quieter period, away from the hustle and bustle of student life. It was a chance to step back, and to more deeply find solace in the Lord. In that time, one element of Christian faith grew - a deep understanding of the true blessing of unparallelled joy I have come to know. There is so much to be said for the incomparable happiness that is found in the Lord. I think of the wonder of the great things he has done in my life - putting me in incredible situations I never believed I could be in. providing me with remarkable blessings beyond my mere consideration, and starting a good work in my heart which

he promises to continue to fulfil. It's ultimately astounding. All too often, as Christians we find ourselves simply going through the motions of the life of a believer - worshiping and praying committedly, but underneath it, losing our attentiveness to the aspect of joy that is given freely to us through Jesus. From the smallest smile on our faces seeing the setting of the sun as we see God's beautiful creation, to the all-consuming gratitude we feel remembering the gracious sacrifice of Jesus the Lord is truly in and through ALL things. It is my prayer that God would amplify that joy in our hearts; that this lifechanging truth would renew us daily in a mindset rooted in thankfulness and praise to the Lord, wherein we wake each morning in complete adoration to Him for his goodness.

<u>UPCOMING</u> <u>EVENTS</u>

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In February the Christian Union will be holding an events week for the students of UHI. On the 17th we plan to hold a Pizza Night at 7pm at Inshes Church, where we will be discussing the

question of, 'can we trust the bible?' Also, on the 21st we plan to hold a Cupcake Decorating Competition, where students can test their skills, as we explore the question of 'who is Jesus?' We are grateful to welcome our friends from Cornhill Bible College, who will be visiting to support us in running these events.

"You make
known to me the
path of life; you
will fill me with
joy in your
presence, with
eternal
pleasures at
your right
hand."

PSALMS 16:11 (NIV)

WORSHIP MUSIC THAT HAS ENCOURAGED US

- MAN OF SORROWS -HILLSONG WORSHIP, JAD GILLIES
- GREAT IS ELEVATION
 WORSHIP, JENNA
 BARRIENTES
- KNOW YOU PRICE DAVIS
- I WILL BE UNDIGNIFIED - REND COLLECTIVE

REFRESHERS FAYRE

BY MAKSYMILIAN GAJEWSKI

This January, a new ReFreshers Fayre took place, and with that, a new opportunity to spread the love of Jesus was presented to us. From the very beginning of setting up our stand, we were fortunate enough to make new friends. Not only did we manage to take lots of wonderful pictures, but we also interested many new people to join our Badminton Club, and to come along to our Christian Union bible study meetings. A lot of people were keen on hearing the word of Jesus and

were even happier to discuss the subject. Quoting one student who was present throughout, "This was the most respectful discussion about faith I ever had". I must say that this has probably been one of the more notable experiences for me, and everyone who came to chat with us. Many friends were made, many discussions were started, and many more questions were left to answer. However, one thing was clear to me, that the whole time it was our faith that made us experience these wonderful moments. Without it, truly none of it would have happened.





PRAYER POINTS

- PRAY FOR OUR CU EVENTS THAT WILL BE HELD AT THE END OF FEBRUARY, THAT STUDENTS WOULD HEAR OF THESE EVENTS AND BE ENCOURAGED TO COME AND LEARN ABOUT WHO JESUS IS.
- PRAY FOR STUDENTS THAT HAVE RECENTLY STARTED ATTENDING OUR BIBLE STUDIES, THAT THE LORD WOULD WORK IN THEIR HEARTS, ESTABLISHING A LASTING FAITH IN HIM.
- PRAY FOR OUR STAFF WORKERS, THAT THEY WOULD BE UPHELD IN THEIR INDIVIDUAL DUTIES AND GIVEN WISDOM ON HOW TO BEST SUPPORT OUR CHRISTIAN UNION WORK.
- PRAY FOR THE
 STUDENTS THAT
 ATTENDED OUR
 REFRESHERS FAYRE,
 THAT THE
 DISCUSSIONS THEY
 HAD WOULD GIVE
 THEM A CURIOSITY
 TO HEAR MORE OF
 THE TRUTH OF
 JESUS.

MINECRAFT SERVER

BY KYLE FRASER

Launched in December, the
Christian Union Minecraft
server is used by the CU to
reach out to people within UHI,
utilising one of the most
popular computer games.
There are active users who log

in, joining a Discord group chat. Students can have casual chats about anything, whether about the game, or about upcoming CU social events, as we make these known to them. General discussion provides an excellent way of engaging with more students, building connections between Christians and non-Christians, through their gaming interests.

STRONGER THAN

BY AMY MUSTARDE

Over the next term, the
Christian Union will be starting
at a new bible study series
called 'Stronger Than', looking
at how 'Jesus gives His
followers strength to face the
common pressures of life in a
way that nothing else can'. The
first session looked at how the
gospel is stronger than our

circumstances, and gives us strength to endure our personal situations. This series allows for Christians and non-Christians to consider Jesus as their source of strength for their lives, and understand why he is ultimately the only firm foundation to build their lives on. We hope and pray that our faith will be enhanced throughout this series, as we learn and grow as Christians together.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MONDAY MEETINGS -INSHES EAST CHURCH -7:30PM

- 3RD FEBRUARY
- 17TH FEBRUARY
- 3RD MARCH
- 17TH MARCH
- 31ST MARCH

BADMINTON SESSIONS -UHI MAIN CAMPUS (SPORTS HALL) - 4PM-6PM

EVERY WEDNESDAY