



## COMING SOON...

### ❖ Brighter Day 2014!

The University of Sheffield Gospel Choir will be performing a concert at Wesley Hall on *Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May*, 7:30pm. The evening will include traditional Gospel music, African chants, spirituals and pop music numbers, sung unaccompanied or with the GC band. We hope you will be able to join us. Tickets from Liz or on the door, £4 adults, £2 concessions, all proceeds to charity.

### ❖ Partnership with MRDF in Mali

Towards the end of 2012, John ran MRDF's Iota course which focussed on the country of Mali. Following on from the course, we have committed to raise at least £1,000 over 2 years to support this work. In celebration of our MRDF support, we will be having a 'Mali Evening' on *Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May*, 6pm-8pm. This will be a free event with games and food, so please make a note in your calendar.

### ❖ Christian Aid

Christian Aid Week this year is 11-17 May. The main part of fund raising during the week is the door to door collection, where envelopes are put through people's letter boxes and then later in the week the collector returns to see if anyone would like to give a donation. In recent years, we have concentrated on collecting from streets that are more generous, to make the task less onerous and maximise monies raised. This year, there are fewer collectors on some of the streets that tend to give more and so we would welcome offers to collect. If anyone would like to collect, or find out more about what's involved, please speak to Andrea Killingsworth. Also, on the Saturday we are hoping to do a lunch and cake stall while we count the money raised, providing we can get enough volunteers to help with this. Margaret Gray and Pat Wright will be running the cake stall and would appreciate any donations of cakes, buns, etc. Offers of help to make lunch or count the collection, will be gratefully received.

The Christian Aid sponsored walk to raise money for the charity this year will be on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May. This will be a 5 mile circular walk from Bents Green Methodist Church through the Porter and Limb Valleys. Further information and application forms can be obtained by contacting Bridget Kellett on [REDACTED] or maydaywalk@gmail.com or visiting [www.sheffieldmaydaytrek.org.uk](http://www.sheffieldmaydaytrek.org.uk). There will also be a night hike of 17 miles (see [www.sheffieldnighthike.org.uk](http://www.sheffieldnighthike.org.uk)).

### ❖ Mum's The Word

Care for the Family are bring their 'Mum's the Word' event to Sheffield on *Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June* at 7:30pm at the 'DoubleTree by Hilton' hotel, near Meadowhead. The aim of the event is to encourage mums, make them smile and most of all, show it's possible to not only survive but thrive as a mum! Tickets cost £6 (or £5 if bringing a group of 4 or more). For more information or to buy tickets, visit [www.careforthefamily.org.uk/mtw](http://www.careforthefamily.org.uk/mtw).

## AND FINALLY,..

### ❖ Crèche Update

The Crèche walls are now yellow and the renovation nearly complete. In the meantime, if you would like to take any young children out for a change of scenery, the caterpillar has taken up temporary residence (along with some toys) in the Emmaus Room.

### ❖ Foodbank Collections

Wesley Hall is now collecting for the S6 foodbank which provides short term emergency food and support to local people in crisis. You can help by donating non-perishable food using the box in the Entrance Area. The most needed items are UHT milk, sugar, fruit juice, soup, pasta sauces, tinned sponge pudding, tinned tomatoes, cereals, tinned rice pudding, tea bags, instant coffee, rice, pasta, tinned meat, tinned fish, tinned fruit, jam, biscuits and snack bars. If you are able to add something from the list to your shopping and then donate to it the foodbank, it will make a real difference to local people in need.