

EVENTS

**Women's World Day Of Prayer**

The local service for this international event takes place on Friday 5th of March, 10.30am at Heaton Baptist Church. For more information contact Pauline Clark.

**Baptisms**

The next baptismal service will be Sunday 4th April (Easter Sunday), with the baptisms taking place at East End Pool. Register to be baptised via a Connections Card and hand to Pastor Simon or Maureen White.

**Youth Breakfast**

The next Youth Breakfast is on next Sunday, 10.00am at The Ark. To book your place please register with £1.50 per child to Sue Green.

**Good Friday Outreach**

On Good Friday this year we're going to be part of a great outreach opportunity alongside churches together from Heaton, Walker, Byker and Shieldfield!

There'll be a public worship service at Hadrian Square on Shields Road at 12noon, with musicians from Elim involved, and a praise choir of singers from all the churches.

During the service we'll be handing out free hot cross buns to people passing by, along with an Easter flier including details of the churches' Easter services. A wonderful way to bless our community and invite them to explore the message of hope and life at Easter!

MINISTRY

**Discovering your S.H.A.P.E.**

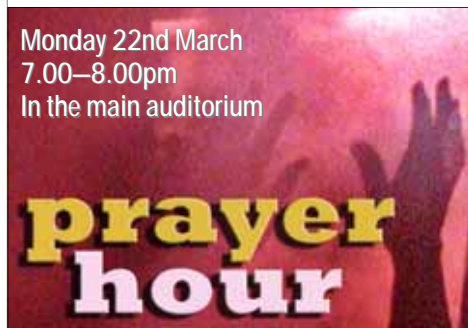
This new teaching series is designed to take you to that next level of purpose – to reveal how God has designed you, and help you see how that design fits the intention for which you were created!

The series is taught on Sunday mornings over 6 weeks and then studied with the use of a 20 minute DVD and study book in the connect groups during the week. The course study guide costs £4 – please sign up and pay for your guide on Sunday mornings.

If you're not in a Connect Group, look through the group list enclosed to find one near you!

**Pastoral Care Team Meeting**

For those who are on the pastoral care team – please attend our next team meeting on Monday 8th March at 7.30pm in the church centre.

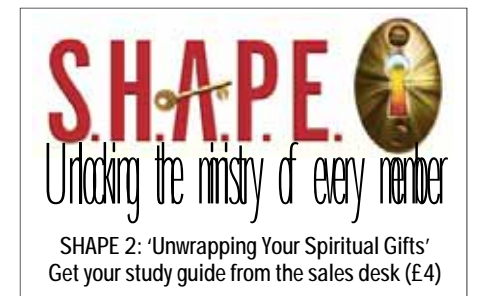


Lent Lunch this Tuesday  
Supporting Christian Aid's Haiti Appeal  
All are welcome at The Ark, 12.30-1.15pm



It's great to have you here and we hope you feel at home! If you're new to church then we want you to sit back, relax and enjoy today's meeting.

We'd also love to keep in touch with you, so please fill out the enclosed Connections Card and hand it to the Welcome Team in the foyer. They have a welcome pack just for you!



At Elim we care passionately about people. No matter what your need – healing, employment, financial needs, family or relationship worries, anxieties or fears – we're here for you.

Simply come to the front of the main auditorium after the morning service has finished and you will find members of our ministry team (identifiable by their badges) ready and willing to pray for you.

## Contact Information

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Registered Charity Number: 251549

**Office Hours:**  
Monday to Friday: 10.00am – 5.30pm

**Senior Pastor**  
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**Youth & Young Adults Pastor**  
Pastor Alex Morgan (07779 090795)  
Email: amorgan@yourchurch.info

**Pastoral Care Coordinator**  
Maureen White (0191 262 4877)  
Maureen's day off is Friday every week

**Elder**  
Dr Rotimi Jaiyesimi (0191 236 7975)

This Week	Next Week	Two Weeks Time
<b>SUNDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2010</b> Celebration 11.00am Pastor Simon Lawton, SHAPE Part 2: 'Unwrapping Your Spiritual Gifts'. + children & youth programmes in The Ark (ACTIV8, Creative Kids, RS2)  Evening Celebration, 6.00pm With worship and a message from Pastor Simon Lawton	<b>7</b> Celebration 11.00am Pastor Simon Lawton, SHAPE Part 3: 'Living Your Heart's Desire'. Featuring communion. + children & youth programmes in The Ark (ACTIV8, Creative Kids, RS2)  Evening Celebration, 6.00pm With worship and a message from Rev Alan Dix	<b>14</b> Celebration 11.00am Pastor Simon Lawton, SHAPE Part 4: 'Defrost Your Frozen Assets'. + children & youth programmes in The Ark (ACTIV8, Creative Kids, RS2)  Evening Celebration, 6.00pm With worship and teaching
<b>MONDAY 1 MARCH</b> The Rock, 7.00–8.30pm (The Ark)	<b>8</b> The Rock, 7.00–8.30pm (The Ark) Pastoral Care Team, 7.30pm	<b>15</b> The Rock, 7.00–8.30pm (The Ark)
<b>TUESDAY 2</b> Staff Prayer Meeting, 10.30am  Lent Lunch, 12.30pm, The Ark	<b>9</b> Staff Prayer Meeting, 10.30am  Lent Lunch, 12.30pm, St Teresa's	<b>16</b> Staff Prayer Meeting, 10.30am  Lent Lunch, 12.30pm, St Francis'
<b>WEDNESDAY 3</b> DETON8, 6.00–7.30pm (The Ark)	<b>10</b> DETON8, 6.00–7.30pm (The Ark)  South Heaton Ward Committee Meeting, 7.00pm	<b>17</b> DETON8, 6.00–7.30pm (The Ark)
<b>THURSDAY 4</b> M&M, 10.00am (The Ark) Worship Team Rehearsal, 7.30pm	<b>11</b> M&M, 10.00am (The Ark) Worship Team Rehearsal, 7.30pm	<b>18</b> M&M, 10.00am (The Ark) The Friendship Group, 2.30 (The Ark) Worship Team Rehearsal, 7.30pm
<b>FRIDAY 5</b> Women's World Day Of Prayer, 10.30am (Heaton Baptist Church)	<b>12</b>	<b>19</b> Aspire, 7.30pm (The Ark)
<b>SATURDAY 6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>20</b>

ALL EVENTS ARE IN THE WORSHIP CENTRE UNLESS MARKED OTHERWISE

## General Information...

**PRAYER REQUESTS** can be made by filling out a Connections Card and handing it to the Welcome Team or Pastor Simon.

**PRAISE REPORTS** are great ways to give God praise for answers to prayer and to encourage the church. Submit via a Connections Card.

**YOUR CONTACT DETAILS** are important to us. Please let us know when you change address, phone or email by completing a Connections Card.

**GIVING ENVELOPES** simplify the way you can give designated gifts or make donations using Gift Aid. If you aren't giving through the Gift Aid scheme and you want to make a general donation then you don't need to use the envelopes.

## Connect Groups...

### If you're a regular attender at Elim then why not join a Connect Group?

Attending a connect group will transform your life and provide you with a spiritual family with whom you can enjoy fellowship, support, prayer, teaching, worship, personal growth and development, opportunities to discover and use your unique gifts and abilities.

### Joining a Connect Group

To join a connect group simply pick up a list of the current groups from the information stand and choose one you'd like to attend.

Then get in touch with the group leader (ask the Welcome Team if you need help finding the group leader) and let them know you want to come along.

### Start a New Group

If you can't find a group that fits, why not do the training and start one yourself? You don't have to be a Bible expert, simply someone who cares about people and wants to see them grow in their faith. Register with a Connections Card.

## CHURCH LIFE

### Furniture Needed

"There were no needy people among them, because those who owned land or houses would sell them and bring the money to the apostles to give to those in need." Acts 4:34-35

We have a family in our church currently without these items of furniture – a three-piece suite, wardrobe and washing machine. If you have any of these items that could help, please speak to Maureen White today.

### Prayer Ministry on Sunday Mornings

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### Child Protection Training Day

We're hosting a regional training day for child protection on Saturday 15th May, to ensure that all of our workers and the church are following government guidelines.

If you work with or want to work with children in church then you are required to attend this training day. Please register with Sue Green.



TEACHING FROM  
PASTOR SIMON LAWTON

"I tell you the truth anyone who has faith in me... will do even greater things than these"

**Evening Celebration at 6pm**

John 14:12-14

# Unwrapping My Spiritual Gifts

You Are Shaped for Significance - Part 2 of 6

Romans 12:5, 6 and Selected

Rick Warren



## I. THREE GIFTS GOD GIVES ME WHEN I TRUST CHRIST

1. \_\_\_\_\_

"The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23

2. \_\_\_\_\_

"... God has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love." Romans 5:5 (LB)

3. \_\_\_\_\_

"God has given each of us the ability to do certain things well..." Romans 12:6 (LB)

"The gifts we possess differ as they are allotted to us by God's grace, and must be exercised accordingly." Rom. 12:5 (NEB)

## II. THE IMPORTANCE OF MY SPIRITUAL GIFTS

\* My gifts \_\_\_\_\_

"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works in all of them." 1 Cor. 12:4-6

\* My gifts \_\_\_\_\_

"All of you form the one Body of Christ and each one is a separate and necessary part of it." 1 Cor. 12:27

\* My gifts \_\_\_\_\_

"This is how my Father is glorified -- in your becoming fruitful and being my disciples. I have told you this so that you can share my joy and that your joy may be complete." John 15:8, 11 (Ph)

## III. WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO DO WITH MY GIFT?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ it!

"...Eagerly desire spiritual gifts..." 1 Cor. 14:1

2. \_\_\_\_\_ it!

"Do not neglect the spiritual gift that is in you..." 1 Tim. 4:14 (GN)

"Fan into flame the gift God gave you..." 2 Tim. 1:6 (JB)

3. \_\_\_\_\_ it!

"Each one should use whatever spiritual gift he has received to serve others faithfully managing God's grace in its various forms." 1 Pet. 4:10

"Why is it that He gives us these special abilities to do certain things best? It is that God's people will be equipped to do better work for him, building up the church, the Body of Christ to a position of strength and maturity." Eph. 4:12 (LB)

Matthew 25:14-30

"Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful." 1 Cor. 4:2

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'..give as generously as God your God has blessed you.'  
Deuteronomy 16:10 (The Message)

## Gift Aid Explained

If you're a UK tax payer, you can make your donation to church go further by registering for the Gift Aid scheme.

### How does Gift Aid work?

Using Gift Aid means that for every pound you give, we get an extra 25 pence from the Inland Revenue, helping your donation go further.

This means that £100 can be turned into £125 just so long as donations are made through Gift Aid.

### The benefits of Gift Aid:

- No extra cost to you, yet your giving increases significantly
- No minimum amount, tax is reclaimable on all Gift Aided donations
- No minimum period of commitment. One declaration can last indefinitely, yet can be cancelled should your circumstances change
- No need for separate forms, one declaration enables us to reclaim the tax on any donation for a special appeal, as well as your valued regular giving

Your generous giving makes a difference. By giving through Gift Aid you are increasing our ability to extend God's Kingdom here in Tyneside.

### How do I proceed?

Complete the Gift Aid declaration, detach from this leaflet and hand it to the Church Office for the attention of Christopher Smee (Finance Officer). You will receive a letter of acknowledgment including your Gift Aid number. Simply write that number on the giving envelopes when you make a donation, or quote it on the standing order form.

# The Gift of Generosity

## Being generous with ourselves

First, we need to give ourselves as a thankful response to God's love. Then we need to give financial support to the work of Christ.

## Being generous for a world in need

Nearly a million people live on Tyneside. Only a small percentage trust in Christ as Saviour and live for Him as Lord; but God so loved the world that He gave (John 3:16).

## Being systematic in our generosity

"Each... should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income" (1 Corinthians 16:2). The Bible speaks of 10% - a tithe; the poor widow gave 100%.

## Being generous and thankful

It is a privilege to give for the Gospel, and the work at Elim Church Newcastle needs our joyful support. "Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" (2 Corinthians 9:15).

In 2010 at Elim we need at least £156,000 to do the work God is calling us to do. That sum needs our prayer and realistic giving.

## What can you do?

Along with deciding the amount you wish to give, this leaflet includes two forms to help maximise your giving and make it easier for you:

- If you pay income tax...** then complete the Gift Aid form inside and see your donations increase in value by 25%
- If you give regularly** then set up a standing order with the form inside... it's easy to set up and will save you from writing cheques or withdrawing cash each month! It also helps the church planning and increases our efficiency.

Your gift of generosity will enable the work at Elim to go forward! Thank you so much for your provision.

You are familiar with the  
generosity of our Master,  
Jesus Christ.  
Rich as He was, He gave  
it all away for us,  
in one stroke He became  
poor and we became rich

2 Corinthians 8:9 (The Message)



# Gift Aid Declaration for individual UK tax payers

Please complete in CAPITAL letters

TITLE Mr / Mrs / Miss / Ms / Dr / Other: .....

FIRST NAMES .....

SURNAME .....

ADDRESS .....

POSTCODE .....

PHONE NO. ....

I wish Elim to treat as Gift Aid all donations I have made since 6 April 2005 / .....  
(dd/mm/yyyy) and all donations which I make hereafter.

My preferred method of payment is:

- Envelope (for cash/cheques) – *we will supply you with a numbered set*
- Standing order – *please complete the form opposite with your bank details and take it to your bank.*

SIGNATURE ..... DATE .....

To qualify for Gift Aid, what you pay in income tax or capital gains tax must at least equal the amount we will claim in the tax year. Hand this completed form to the church office.

**THIS SECTION IS FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

LOCAL CHURCH

CHURCH CODE



**ELIM FOURSQUARE GOSPEL ALLIANCE**  
Registered Charity 251549 (England)  
SC037754 (Scotland), IR Charities Ref x40109

GIFT AID DECLARATION NUMBER (allocated by Head Office)

## Standing Order Form

Use this form to set up regular donations from your bank account

### 1.) Enter the name and address of your bank:

To: ..... **Bank Plc**

Bank address: .....

### 2.) Please pay to:

A/C Name: Elim Church – Newcastle, Treasurer A/C, Reg. Charity No. 251549

A/C Number: 04528619

Sort Code: 309187

Bank: Lloyds TSB Bank Plc

Branch: High St, Cheltenham, PO Box 1000, BX1 1LT

### 3.) Pay on:

..... / ..... / ..... (dd/mm/yyyy) **and monthly thereafter**

**the amount of** £.....

**Say** (amount in words): .....

**Until further notice, quoting reference:** .....

(If you are registered with Gift Aid then write 'GIFTAID/<your number>' e.g. GIFTAID/258  
Otherwise, leave the reference section blank)

Payment will continue until you cancel this instruction

### 4.) Enter your details:

Account Name: .....

Account Number: .....

Sort Code: .....

Signature(s): .....

### 5.) Take this completed form to your bank and they will set up the standing order

