

Prayer and Praise...

- Praise for mission weeks that have happened at both universities and pray for follow up from these missions.
- Pray for New Word Alive. There are 4 Bath Spa students going to this conference in North Wales. Please pray they would be really blessed and encouraged by the teaching.
- Pray for the new committee as they make plans for the CU's activities this year. Pray that they would continue to keep the proclamation of the gospel at the centre of everything they do.

Coming up...

29th March – 11th April: Easter break

7th – 9th April: Helping out with children's holiday club at church in Clanfield

12th – 18th April: Stewarding at New Word Alive

19th April: Going to the British museum with Dom to see how the archaeology backs up biblical records of events.

19th April: Bath Spa University term restarts

22nd April: Team day in Exeter. Dave Bish speaking.

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Hello! Welcome to the April Prayer letter. Between this prayer letter and the last we have had mission weeks, new committees chosen and a committee training weekend. Thank you for your partnership in the gospel with Bath Spa students through your prayers.

“And God raised us up with Christ and seated us in the heavenly realms with Christ Jesus...”

New Leaders' training weekend

At the beginning of March, a new committee was selected to serve the CU for a year. 8 of the 9 new committee members joined new leaders from all over the South West for a training weekend in Bridgwater. Adrian Reynolds spoke on a few passages from Ezekiel, with the theme of the importance of knowing the one you are serving. There was also a challenging talk on servant leadership and what that looks like in practice. It was a great opportunity for the new committee to get to know each

other, and meet people from other universities with a similar role to them in their CUs.

Some of the new committee with Me, Hannah and her husband, Andy



“...in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus” – Eph 2v6-7

Mission Weeks

During February I helped with both Bath University (15th-19th Feb) and Bath Spa CU mission week (1st-5th Feb).

Bath Spa CU put on a few evening events, including an acoustic night and “text a milkshake” and a lunchtime talk on suffering, which was quite well attended, and made a lot of people think. Praise God that they put on this week of events and that it resulted in many opportunities for CU members to talk about Christ. Please pray that this will be a good foundation to build on for future years, and pray that the CU may continue to put on events this year where the gospel is clearly proclaimed.

Bath Uni CU had apologetic lunchbars every day and various evening events, including a Ceilidh. I stayed on campus for the week with a fresher called Leanne, who was a real encouragement in her desire to get involved and reach out to her friends. It was also very encouraging to see some people I recognised from the mission week in November coming back to ask more questions. We had a

Text a Milkshake with Bath Spa CU...
...A question is received by Beth on the mobile phone...



milkshakes are made and the question is thought and prayed about by Esther...



...milkshakes are delivered by Mel and questions are answered...and sometimes this leads into some great conversations and gives the chance to share the gospel!

stand outside the library during the week, where we offered tea and coffee, and had some great conversations because of this. We were joined by 5 people from the Swiss CU movement and one from Greece, who came to help the CU with their events, and to get ideas for outreach weeks in their own countries. Please pray for them as they try to adapt what they have seen to work in their own universities.

Praise God for the good attendance at most events during the week, and for the follow-up course has one or two people attending at the moment.



Me, Ann, Nathan, Rhea and Chris with Bath Half Marathon Medals

What have I been doing?

This term seems to have gone so quickly! I've still been meeting regularly with Beth B., and we're almost at the end of Ephesians. I'm also still meeting with Esther, after finishing Colossians, we have been looking at Isaiah, which has been really helpful for me, learning to prepare Old Testament bible studies. These girls have been a great encouragement to me over this year, and it has been amazing to see them growing in their faith and enjoying hearing God speak through his word.

The recent change in committee means we have to think about how we can help and serve the new leaders. I have been going through a training booklet with the new leaders at their weekly committee meetings, helping them think through the aims of the CU and how we can fulfil those aims at Bath Spa.

At the beginning of March I ran the Bath half marathon with my housemates Rhea and Ann. It was a really great day and we all managed to finish in around 2.5 hours. I've also been to visit Dom (my fiancé) in Toulouse for a weekend. It was really nice to be able to spend some time together and do some sight-seeing. He comes back to England in May.

I've been really challenged about my attitude to prayer recently. I know it is a vital part of walking with God, but there often a lot of other seemingly more important things to do. Please pray that God will help me to find joy in talking to him, and to really rely on him in prayer.