

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2019 PRAYER

From Dom, Hannah, Jonny, Emily, Becky, Stephen and James

ADVENT ADVENTURES

The last two months have been jam-packed! We've had bonfire night again in Cheetham Hill and even now the odd firework crackles through the air behind our back garden. Things are now happening for the second time since we've been here, which is wonderful and slightly terrifying! The Upper Room has passed the 9-month mark (and Stephen has passed the 25-year mark) and we're preparing for our first Christmas as a church. O come, O come Emmanuel!



One of the major events in the past two months is that Dom and Hannah have agreed to lead the church together (under the oversight of Antioch) from February while continuing their jobs. This feels like a big step, and they'd really value prayer for this as they step up into this role.

Praise God! He has just generously provided us with a new venue - another restaurant on the high street: this time a Brazilian grill, with managers who are keen to connect with the communities here!

We have some more good news - on Sunday we celebrated a baptism! We're really excited to have our first baptism in the Upper Room and we hope and pray for more.

Other things:

- Jonny's work has agreed to him changing to a 4-day work week from January. Praise God for this answer to prayer.
- We were delighted to join with other believers and churches in the area for a carol singing outreach time on Saturday.
- Christmas meal (25th Dec) at Dom and Hannah's house for church, friends and neighbours.

What's coming up?

and how you can join us in prayer...

Pray for J as he continues with us after Baptism. Pray for God to speak to him profoundly and for him to be equipped with gifts of the spirit to build up the body of Christ.

Please continue to pray for a more long-term venue; either the new one or somewhere else.

Pray for Dom and Hannah as they take the first steps towards being church leaders - pray for clarity and a deep sense of God's presence.

Pray for our Christmas events - that those who don't have other people to share Christmas with would be welcomed.

Pray for shifts in the spiritual atmosphere of Cheetham Hill - that many would be open to the gospel.

"You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden" (Matt 5:14) - our prayer is for God's light to shine in Cheetham Hill