



The Evangelical Fellowship of Congregational Churches

CONGREGATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS

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EFCC MISSION STATEMENT

**TO BE A FELLOWSHIP OF CONGREGATIONAL CHURCHES
EFFECTIVELY WITNESSING TO THE GOSPEL IN THE 21ST CENTURY**

We want to achieve this by promoting:-

- **Gospel Truth** Advancing Evangelical Christianity through Independent Churches.
- **Gospel Fellowship** Promoting fellowship and encouraging prayer, co-operation and mutual support for the churches as they witness to the gospel.
- **Gospel Independence** Bearing witness to the Scriptural principles of the autonomy of the local church and the freedom of believers in Christ.

Devotions

We meet for prayer in the office at 9.30 a.m., please advise us of any prayer matters.

For Ministers and Church Officers and other leaders IN-SERVICE TRAINING - Friday 15th September 2017

Venue:

Hayes Town Chapel
St Mary's Road, Hayes UB3 2JP

FOR MINISTERS

6th – 9th November 2017 PRAYER CONFERENCE – are you coming? Details and booking forms mailed out with this mailing. Churches please encourage your Minister to attend.

The Coward Trust - www.cowardtrust.org.uk

Please visit the site – grants may be possible for Ministerial and other support.

Robinson Trust

Samuel Robinson's Charities is a link up of 2 separate charities and is 200 years old. It provides grants to ministers (serving and retired) and to widows of ministers in cases of need. Churches qualifying include Baptist, Congregational, Presbyterian and URC.

If anyone needs help they (or someone on their behalf) should contact Elizabeth Lawson – contact details below. A form will be sent that requires details of ministry etc as well as details of the financial circumstances. Although the majority of applications are considered in June, they accept applications at any time of year, as and when the need arises.

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EFCC 2018 AGM

12th May - Pontefract Congregational Church

STUDIES CONFERENCE 17TH MARCH 2018

Wesley's Chapel Leysian Mission, London

EFCC LADIES CONFERENCE

14th April 2018 10 am – 3.30 pm

Speaker: Ruth Eardley

Venue: Kings Park Conference Centre, Northampton.

Ladies please book the date in your diary for 2018, details will be available later in the year. Option of overnight stay on the 13th April, the ladies would encourage you to do this.

PRAYER SUPPORT

The EFCC Trust Board meeting 19th September 2017

Venue Bulkington Congregational Church

INFORMATION FOR CHURCH SECRETARIES

Affirmation of Oneness – we are pleased that a good number of churches have returned the card confirming their Affirmation of Oneness, for those churches who have not returned we would encourage you to sign and return the card as soon as possible.

Change of details – we are grateful for those churches who keep us informed regarding changes. Please e-mail changes to efcc1@efcc.karoo.co.uk or send in by mail.

Insurance documents – important these are **kept** in your files and not destroyed.