

ncounter summer is 10 years old this year!

ncounter continues to be an amazing journey. Its hard to believe it all began with just 14 young people in Countesthorpe willing to give up a week of their summer holidays to share the love of Jesus in word and deed. We've come a long way since then but in many ways little has changed: we are still sharing Jesus love in word and deed as that is the heart beat of ncounter.



Please Pray

Sun 17th July

For changed lives and Transformed Communities as a result of ncounter summer 2011

Mon 18th July

For all the young people and leaders taking part

Tues 19th July

For those leading worship and teaching

Wed 20th July

Evening teams across the County

Thurs 21st July

For the 2 Social Action Centres in Netherhall and Woodgate

Fri 22nd July

Thank God for all he has done!



Please pray for us this year as we look to demonstrate God's love and Power to those we meet. Pray that lives will be changed and communities transformed by the love of Jesus this ncounter summer 2011. Pray for the young people as they step out in faith, that God will not only bless those that they meet but that He will bless them as they get involved in His mission in His city, sharing His story.



Youth Team

The youth teams continue to be working in their local churches, schools and communities. Since Martin and Beth's arrival in January, the team have bonded together really well and it's been great to see them working together and really supporting one another both personally and professionally. Reality on Tour visited Kirby Muxloe (Hayley) recently and the team plan on visiting other Churches in the Reality Family soon. The day was a great success with young people from across the Reality Churches worshipping together with the folks at Kirby, eating together and of course having a whole load of fun in the process! All the teams are busy preparing for ncounter, soul survivor and many are also involved in Holiday Clubs. Please pray for them, for strength, stamina and vision as they come to the end of one academic year and on to another. Please pray especially for Becky as she leaves us this summer to study full time. Please also pray for us as we look to recruit a new Trainee Team Leader for Sutton in the Elms Baptist church. More on this next time...

Events

Saturday 7th May started with a lot of rain but despite the weather, we were thankful that our volunteers and stall holders all arrived to kick start the 4th Countesthorpe Community Fun Day. The Fun Day officially opened at 11am with a performance by the utterly brilliant Greenfield School Djembe Drummers. As the noise echoed around the Paddock, the rain started to dwindle and people began to enjoy a **FREE** day out.

By midday the sun shone around the field: from the bouncy castle to the Craft tent, run by St. Andrew's Craft group; from the Football Cage to the Fairtrade Cafe, with cakes supplied by members of the Methodist & St. Andrew's Church; from Face Painting to the Balloon Race, run by Countesthorpe Baptist Church; and from the Countesthorpe Skate Park stand to the Beauty Tent. 500 free sausage cobs were cooked and given out, sweets were awarded to those who successfully completed the games or managed to ring the bell at the top of the High Striker, and 300 drinks were consumed in the cafe. At any time, there must have been around 500 people on the Paddock. Entertainment was provided throughout the day with Leysland High School providing an amazing show packed full of talented young musicians and singers. Our thanks also go to 'Aching Arms' Puppets, 'Tickled Skink' children's entertainer and 'Talking Rhythms' Drums.

We are so grateful to God for his amazing provision and to all who helped make it possible. A ray of Hope to world that so desperately needs it.

Abundant Life

Well what a year it's been. With 8 Real Care Babies in for a service the Abundant Life team can take things a little easier in the last couple of weeks of term. With over 40 courses done this year and next term already booking up, it's been so encouraging to see the impact these courses are having on so many young people. We are excited to see what next year brings with new possibilities opening up all the time. Davy, who joined us in January is leaving us to concentrate on his gardening business. We have appointed Polly as the new Abundant Life Administrator. She will join Helen and the pool of sessional workers lined up for next year. More on that next time...

Thank you so much for all you do, for your love, prayers and support, you truly are a blessing to us and thousands of young lives in Leicester and beyond!