

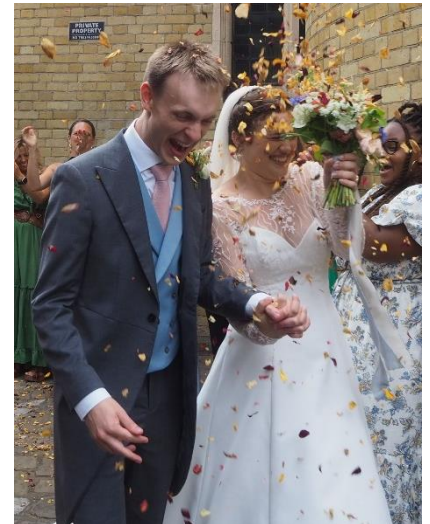
5th August 2026

Dear Friends

I hope you're all well. Here are some of our recent highlights and some things we'd love prayer for looking forward.

Recent highlights...

- It's wedding season here in Leeds – there are 5 weddings happening in our congregation this summer (quite a lot by our standards!). It's been wonderful to celebrate as a church family. Please pray for these new marriages, that God would strengthen and support them, and pray for us as a church family as we come alongside them.
- Jonty's back! Our minister, Jonty Rhodes, has returned from his sabbatical. We're delighted to have him and his family back with us. Please pray for him and his family as they settle back into life in Leeds and adjust back into normal routines. Pray for Jonty as he picks up his role again at the church, and pray for his wife, Georgina, as she starts homeschool again with their 5 children. *[Please see over the page for some sabbatical highlights!]*



Harry and Emily got married in June. Both will be working as Trainees with us in September.

Looking forward...

- This summer, we've decided to run a Children's Holiday Bible Club. This is a new endeavour for us, we've not done it before, so please pray for the team as they plan and prepare. It's running from the 12th-14th August and we'll be looking at 3 passages from Mark's gospel. We hope that this will become an evangelistic opportunity for our church families, we'd love to see many non-churched children coming along from across Leeds. Please pray for our boldness as we seek to reach our local community, and that the Lord would use this to reach the lost in Leeds.
- September approaches...as summer rolls on, we're looking ahead to September. September is usually a time of change and upheaval for us as a church. The city sees a massive influx of students and people are coming and going as they look for a church to settle in. It will also bring a big change in our staff team as we take on our largest ever cohort of Ministry Trainees. Please pray that we'd adapt well to the changes, that the Lord would lead people to us as they move to the city, and that they'd be met with the gospel and a warm welcome.

Yours,

Rachael Young

Student and Children's Worker, CCCL

A note from Jonty...

As a family, we've had the pleasure of taking a first ever sabbatical from May through July. We had a fantastic time, not least spending two months all across the USA - you may be able to piece together some of the journey from the photos. We're tremendously grateful to CCCL for letting us go, and friends in Naples, Macon and Denver making it all possible!



