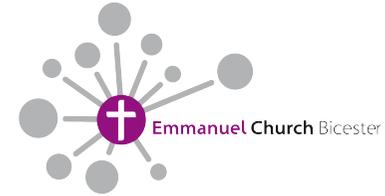


## ECB NOTICE BOARD

21st Oct	10:30am	<b>Informal Worship</b> Matthew 6:5-23 Leader: Dorothy Williams Preacher: Erika Biscoe Reader: Lisa Verman Prayers: tba
	7pm	<b>Evening Service (Café open from 6:30)</b> Prayer for One Another! James 5:13-16 Leader: Clive Collier Preacher: Scott Dalton
22nd Oct	3:10pm	<b>No After School Club/Half Term</b>
23rd Oct	10am	<b>Rock of Ages Café</b>
	7:30pm	<b>Prison Fellowship</b>
24th Oct	10:30am	Oasis small group
25th Oct	7:30pm	<b>Board Games Evening</b>
28th Oct	10:30am	<b>Informal Communion</b> Mark 6:30-44 Leader: Carol Hill Preacher: Chris Hunt
	7pm	<b>Evening Service (Café open from 6:30)</b> Leader: Ian Biscoe Preacher: Peter Hill

\*All notices to Autumn by 7pm Wednesday [newsletter@emmanuelbicester.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@emmanuelbicester.org.uk)



*From our contributing  
writer...*

So a few weeks ago I got to go to Vienna with a group of fellow Highway-men. We were going to 24/7 Player's Europe-wide conference. There was so much that God said to me and to His Church during the week. It's funny how he tends to do that when we put time aside, give him space, and really listen.

The thing that struck me most of all was about honour. I felt so honoured by those hosting us, and it was such a beautiful, humble, "Kingdom thing." We were hosted by the Catholic Church in Vienna. They let us use the Bishop's Palace every day. They invited us to join them at mass. There was a string quartet, and a beautiful meal of the finest Austrian cuisine. Most powerfully perhaps, was when we worshipped together in the cathedral. None of this was necessary, but it was a beautiful gesture of our friendship and unity.

The feeling this gave me reminded me of the story of the prodigal son, and how our Father treats us. You see when the son returns, dragging his inadequacy with him, the Father doesn't treat him as he deserves but instead gives him the highest honour. He puts a ring on his finger, gives him the finest clothes and food and throws a big party for him! The son was expecting to be nothing more than a servant.

Sometimes we don't feel we deserve honour, and we don't really. We are like the prodigal son. But because we have chosen to return home, in whatever shape, our Father chooses to honour us regardless of anything else. We are not just God's sons and daughters, but also his heirs, and that is the highest honour there is. We carry the joy and the responsibility of being heirs to God's kingdom.

*Blessings,  
Joe Hemmings*

## Notices

### 1ST NOVEMBER

**"LOOK HOW FAR WE'VE COME!"  
CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF THE RIGHT TO VOTE  
@ ECB FOR INFO- PHONE/TXT ERIKA 07867515900**

### SATURDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER @ ECB

**SHAPE PARENTING EVENT  
REGISTRATION 9:30AM, DEPARTURE 3:30PM £5/PERSON  
PHONE OR EMAIL OFFICE TO BOOK**

### 10TH NOV – MEN'S BREAKFAST

**SATURDAY 10TH NOVEMBER**

**9-11AM**

**GUEST SPEAKER: CLIVE COLLIER**

**Book via:**

**<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mens-breakfast-tickets-51327124812>**

### 12TH NOV

**PARENT'S COFFEE MORNING**

**9-11AM**

*Deadline for newsletter entries Wednesdays @ 7pm*