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University of Warwick Christian Union

Dear Friends,

The great wheel of time that is the academic year has once again reached its zero point, and it's 'action-stations' as we prepare to go again with the busyness of university life. A fresh wave of students are about to arrive at Warwick for their first year, and we are excited for all that God has in store for them and returners alike.

As we have gone our separate ways over the summer and taken some time out to work and/or rest away from campus, the God whom we serve has not ceased to pour out His grace over us in preparation for the year of Kingdom-work we have ahead. His plans for this year have been set in stone since the beginning of time, and He is calling us now to lay hold of His loving desire for those we will be encountering through prayer. It is our privilege to do so, and we invite you to join us.



The Warwick Forum gang

Forum (UCCF Conference)

At the beginning of September a large group from our CU went to Quinta Christian Centre in Shropshire for UCCF's national conference.

Praise God for:

- The chance for committee members, team leaders and hall group leaders to meet others in the same position from around the country
- A fresh encouragement and motivation for evangelistic mission through hearing God's Word and communal worship

Please pray:

- For this momentum of faith to be carried through to the new term, and filtered through to the rest of the CU members, including freshers

"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."

- 2 Corinthians 12:9



Benedict Harding, our new UCCF Staff Worker

Orientation Week and Freshers' Week

This coming week (22nd-26th September) is International Orientation Week, where international freshers arrive on campus for a week of adjustment before term starts. We will be taking this opportunity to make ourselves available to welcome them, to help people move in and find their way around, and to run events such as barbecues (Wednesday and Thursday lunchtime) and Globe Café (Friday afternoon). We aim to make the CU visible and open, and to introduce internationals to what we believe in a relaxed environment.

The majority of freshers will be arriving next weekend, and we will be holding relaxed events each evening during Freshers' Week. These include a games evening, an acoustic night and a volleyball tournament, as well as a lunchbar talk ("Do all religions lead to God?"), an evening meal and talk ("Survive, thrive, nosedive"), and our usual New To CU lunch. Our intention is for every student on campus, Christian or not, to know about the CU by the end of the week, and to have encountered God's incredibly far reaching love through us.



Our Freshers' Week schedule flyer

Please be praying:

- That Holy Spirit would be present at all of these events, guiding and encouraging us as well as drawing people's hearts to Him
- For returning CU members to be enthusiastic about serving in the year ahead, alongside honouring the Lord through academic work
- For Benedict to settle in well and be blessed as he devotes his time to supporting our CU, bringing new ideas and vision to his role
- That we would not encounter any financial difficulty during the year ahead, but would have the resources to bring the Good News to all
- For the exec to remain united and diligent in fulfilling our positions
- That many this year would encounter Jesus and follow Him!

Thank you so much for your prayers and support. We could not continue to change lives here at Warwick without you.

Blessings,
Chris Jones (Prayer Secretary)
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Our Orientation Week schedule flyer

« and the fun continues into Freshers' Week! »

Other upcoming events:

- 'Lion King' themed mini-events-week (27th-31st October)
- Houseparty CU weekend away (7th-9th November)

"As for me, I will always have hope; I will praise you more and more"

- Psalm 71:14