

## Graduates

### Senior Doctors' Conference

Are you a senior doctor looking to make changes in your working life, or considering or coming up to retirement? Or perhaps just reflecting on how being a disciple of Jesus permeates your work, family and Christian ministry?

This year, CMF is launching our inaugural Senior Doctors' Conference from 13-15 November at The Hayes, Swanwick. There will be the opportunity for fellowship, teaching, friendship and sharing lives as senior Christian doctors in the beautiful Derbyshire countryside.

We will explore topics such as rest and restoration in the Lord, recovering from setbacks, mentoring junior doctors and medical students, becoming spiritual fathers and mothers, mission opportunities in the UK and abroad, serving the church as a doctor, and running the race with joy till the end.

Please save the date in your diaries. We would love to hear from you regarding suggestions and ideas for this conference. Contact me at: [felicia.wong@cmf.org.uk](mailto:felicia.wong@cmf.org.uk)

## Juniors

It has been nearly six months since the new Junior Doctors' Committee met for the first time. This has been a period of settling in and getting to know each other and assessing where we should be focusing our energy.

Half the committee is engaged in supporting students in the transition to becoming junior doctors. We want to ease the transition to the next stage of members' careers. Leo and Sajan attended the Student Conference and found the opportunity valuable in supporting final years in this transition. They hope to work closely with the National Student Committee and the *Nucleus* team providing valuable resources to help final year students and FY1s.

We want to achieve this by developing local and national connections, and equipping juniors with the tools and resources to serve God locally. Currently we are working on the next Junior Doctors' Conference (Save the date: 25-27 October). We have also restarted the Juniors' Forum page in *Triple Helix*.

A big challenge is helping juniors, who inevitably move often, to find other local juniors to connect with. Please pray for wisdom in how best to support juniors around the country in finding others, and for the formation of groups. It is vital that we meet with other Christian doctors to encourage and inspire one another.

## Nurses

### Writers' Day Course

In March, we held our second writers' day course for nurses and midwives, led by the indefatigable Andrew Fergusson. The aim of the day was to identify nurses and midwives who have a real passion for writing, and to help give them more skills and confidence.

We also have the ulterior motive of nurturing more writers for our regular CMF nursing magazine, *Spotlight* – this is a great way of encouraging new writers to put their newly acquired writing skills into practice immediately.

Three nurses and two midwifery students attended. Andrew likes a maximum of five participants, so they can have individual input. Already I have heard back from them all with such enthusiastic responses that I'd like to share a few:

*'I absolutely loved the writers' day. It was so lovely to meet other Christian nurses and midwives who love writing... Thank you so much for giving me the opportunity to go. I'm very happy to try and write something (for Spotlight). I'm keen to put everything I've learned into practice!'*

*'I really enjoyed the writers' day on Saturday. It was so helpful, and Andrew taught us the essentials for good writing in the future.'*

*'It was definitely good to bring a prepared written piece. I think it builds confidence to read your work aloud and hear others affirm that you do have something worthwhile to say!'*

Our thanks to Andrew for sharing his time and wisdom. Please contact Pippa if you are a nurse or midwife who would also like to develop their writing skills.

## Staff movements



Sharon Green

**Sharon Green** will be joining the CMF Office Team as Mark Pickering's new Executive Assistant from early May.



Richard Scott

**Richard Scott** has joined us as a CMF Evangelism Associate, developing new resources for sharing faith and an Evangelism Track.



Julie Smith

**Julie Smith** joined this April as an Associate Staff Worker for nurses, joining Pippa's team with the aim of forming new nursing groups and providing pastoral support to nurses & midwives in East Anglia.

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## Dates for your diary

### MAY

3-5 CMF National Conference, Yarnfield Park, Staffordshire

### JUNE

15 CMF Annual General Meeting (General Committee), Johnson House, London  
26 BMA Breakfast, Belfast

### OCTOBER

24-26 RCGP Exhibition, ACC, Liverpool  
25-27 Junior Doctors' Conference, Hothorpe Hall, Leicestershire

### NOVEMBER

18-20 Seniors' Conference, The Hayes, Swanwick, Derbyshire

Please note that the **Medicine, Mission and Me** retreat in May and the **Developing Health Course** in July have both been postponed to 2020.

For further information on all these events, please contact: [events@cmf.org.uk](mailto:events@cmf.org.uk).

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