

e've heard in this Spotlight that, despite it being 'Our Year' for nurses and midwives, it's turned out to be an unusually tough and challenging one.

So, to help us celebrate and encourage each other, we're holding our first-ever national gathering, (online) on Saturday, May 15th.

It's called **NAMfest** (Nurses and Midwives festival!), and we want to bring together and connect Christian nurses and midwives from around the British Isles.

It's a great chance to introduce NEW nurses and midwives to CMF and bless them, so please get the date in your diaries and get busy inviting your friends and colleagues to join in too!

This afternoon of fun and fellowship will include a mixture of short inspiring addresses by key nurses and midwives, worship and prayer, art and poetry, short seminars, a chance to connect in regions and meet others more local to you, a quiz with a difference, and lots of stories of hope from those working in different areas of nursing and midwifery. And if you have other great ideas, let us know.

We are so excited to create this forum to seek God together and to have fun in the process!

And it doesn't stop there! Throughout 2021 we are running a campaign called 'A Force for Hope', to bring Christians in nursing and midwifery together to bring change to our nation and our world.

'A Force for Hope' will include events, resources to help you pray and get friends and colleagues involved, and more. Watch Spotlight and the CMF website for more news and updates in the weeks and months to come. So, let's come together in 2021 to celebrate nurses and midwives in this country and the world over, and to praise and serve the amazing God who has called us into these incredible professions!

For more information on **NAMfest** go to cmf.li/NAMfest-21 \*

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