

# The Life and Mission Choir

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Dear Friends,

Happy Easter! May God bless you with peace, good health and happiness this Easter time.



Rehearsals restart on **Friday 22nd April** when we will continue to put *Sing Good News* back together. This has been going really well so far and I've been impressed by how much everyone has remembered. It is also really helping those who are learning it for the first time.

In order to cast *Swingboat* (8 principal characters in addition to a chorus of animals) we will need to build the capacity of the choir. To help with this, we are holding two events that will take the place of Friday rehearsals.

On **Friday 13th May** we are going to have an Information night for *Swingboat* where potential singers/actors can come along, pick up a script, hear some of the songs and find out more about the show. This is being advertised widely in local churches and schools etc. **I would really like all of the choir there that night so you can present the songs and also show any potential newcomers what a lovely, friendly group of people you all are. This will be at the usual time of 8pm.**



**The following Friday 20th May we will hold open auditions for the 8 principal parts.** Any member of the choir is welcome to audition for these parts. [Click here](#) for full details of the roles available. **However if you are not intending to audition, then please do not attend choir on 20th May.**

Full details of the information night and open audition are on our [website](#).

Following these events we will still have two full run throughs of *Sing Good News* before the presentation on the 12th June. All rehearsal dates are listed below. Posters and fliers for this presentation will be available at choir rehearsal on Friday for you to share in your churches.

**Please note the rehearsal on Friday 10th June will be at St Margaret's, Victoria Avenue, Finchley, N3 1BD**

Dress code for *Sing Good News* on the 12th is red and black - Men - Black shirts, red ties. Ladies - any combination of red and black.

Music rehearsal tracks for many of the songs in both *Sing Good News* and *Swingboat* can be found in the members area of our website: Click on [For Members](#) - the password in **Imc2020**

### CAN YOU HELP?



We are still looking for props and costumes for *Swingboat* so don't forget to keep your eyes and ears open. You can see our idea boards by [clicking here](#). We are also looking to adapt normal waistcoats into animal waistcoats for the animal chorus. If you have any regular waistcoats you are willing to donate or see any in a charity shop going cheap, then please get them! We will reimburse you. (I got 3 for £1.50 each the other day and another one for £4.) If you would like more information about this, then please ask.

### PRAYERS

Having not performed for two years, we have not had the generous blessing of congregations' donations. This means that our funds are lower than we would like - especially with a brand new show to finance! Ideally we would do a "Some-Enchanted-Evening-like" concert to boost funds but it is going to be difficult to fit that in. I am currently exploring other ways we could raise money. This is one aspect of the year to come that you could keep in your prayers.

Here's a short list that you might want to include in your prayers.

- Pray that *Sing Good News* is a good witness event. That people will feel able to come. That they might be challenged and uplifted by what they hear.
- Pray for the health of all those in the choir and those watching.
- Pray for the preparations for *Swingboat*. That new people will feel called to join the choir. That we are able to cast the show. That God will provide us with the physical and financial resources for the musical so that it too can be used as a vehicle to witness the Good News.
- Pray for the leaders and congregation of St Margarets, Finchley.

Thank you for your enthusiasm, determination and support since we have been coming back together to rehearse. I pray that we may grow stronger together singing in praise and glory to our creator.

Yours, Paul.

Diary Dates		
Friday 15th April	<b>No Rehearsal</b>	
Friday 22nd April	Sing Good News Rehearsal	Christchurch
Friday 29th April	Sing Good News Rehearsal	Christchurch
Friday 6th May	Sing Good News Rehearsal	Christchurch
Friday 13th May	<b>SWINGBOAT INFORMATION NIGHT</b>	Christchurch
Friday 20th May	<b>SWINGBOAT - OPEN AUDITION NIGHT</b>	Christchurch
Friday 27th May	Sing Good News Tech Rehearsal	Christchurch
Friday 3rd June	<b>No Rehearsal</b>	
Friday 10th June	Sing Good News Final Rehearsal	<b>St Margaret's URC, Finchley</b>
Sunday 12th June	SING GOOD NEWS	<b>St Margaret's URC, Finchley</b>
Friday 17th June	Rehearsal	Christchurch
Friday 24th June	Rehearsal	Christchurch
Friday 1st July	Rehearsal	Christchurch
Friday 8th July	Rehearsal	Christchurch
Friday 15th July	Rehearsal	Christchurch
<b>Additional rehearsals for Principal characters in Swingboat will take place in August.</b>		
Friday 30th September?	<b>SWINGBOAT</b>	TBC
Saturday 1st October	<b>SWINGBOAT</b>	TBC
Sunday 2nd October	<b>SWINGBOAT</b>	TBC
<p>Please arrive to start at 8pm, unless otherwise stated. All rehearsals are at Christchurch URC/Baptist Church, New Southgate and Friern Barnet, Friern Barnet Road, N11 3EP</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><a href="http://www.christchurchnsfb.org/">http://www.christchurchnsfb.org/</a></p>		