

# Welcome to Winchester Vineyard

Hello,

We are delighted to welcome you to Winchester Vineyard. Whether you have recently moved to the area and are looking for a new church, or want to belong to a church family for the first time, we hope you feel at home here.

Enclosed is information about Winchester Vineyard Church which we hope will be informative and helpful for you. We have included a connect card which we encourage you to fill in and hand in at the Connect table. This way we can give you a personal welcome and help you get in touch with folk in the church. You will also find an invitation to a welcome meal. We would love to meet you and give you the opportunity to find out more about us and how you can get involved.

If you have any questions, please do feel free to contact us.

God bless you,

*Nigel & Jo*

Nigel and Jo Hemming  
*Senior Pastors*



# Vineyard Compassion

We live out our faith in Jesus by practically serving the needs of people in our city. We run The Storehouse, Street Teams & support Karis Kids and others abroad.

## The Storehouse

The storehouse provides good quality baby equipment, clothes and toys to local families. It also provides food, household & toiletry items to those in need.

We are open for clients on Monday & Thursday morninga (term time). You can donate good quality clothes in the foyer or take a brown food bag to fill & return.

We have lots of seasonal initiatives such as our boxes for Syria, toys for orphans in Uganda, Christmas shoeboxes, Christmas hampers and Christmas Toy Fair for families.



## Street Teams

Street Teams go out every Saturday night in to the city centre with soup, rolls, tea, coffee, blankets, socks, hats and a listening ear. You can volunteer to join the team or donate food and clothing items in the container in the foyer.

**Get involved in Vineyard Compassion. Contact us here:**  
[www.winvin.org.uk](http://www.winvin.org.uk) [hello@winvin.org.uk](mailto:hello@winvin.org.uk) 01962 863 217

# Getting Involved

As part of the church family we encourage you to join a team. This is a great way of using your gifts, getting to know people and helping to make church happen

Join a team. Serve once a month for six months to try it out.

## Sundays

- Cafe: serve quality refreshments that provide a friendly welcome.
- Children & Youth: inspire & teach our young people, help them connect with God & have a lot of fun!
- Welcome & Connect: welcome guests and help them feel at home.
- Host: help to make our services run smoothly for everyone.
- Sound & Media: help people connect with God through inspiring sound & visuals.

## During the Week

- The Storehouse (Mon & Thurs morning): helping people in our community by providing clothing, equipment, food and a listening ear.
- Street Teams (Sat evening): connect with and provide for homeless people in our city.
- Big Fish Toddler Group (Mon mornings): help serve new Mums & carers and their little ones.
- Youth (Thurs or Sat early evenings): connect with our youth and help them connect with each other and God
- Maintenance, Admin or Events (weekdays to suit you): share your practical or admin skills to underpin our broad range of activities.

To join a team or find out more, please get in touch  
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# Life Groups

We encourage everyone to get involved in a life group. It is a great way to get to know people, give & receive support and do life together. We have lots of different types of groups to suit everyone.

## Weekly Groups

These are groups that meet in peoples homes during the week, normally to spend time together, have discussion, support and pray for each other.



**You can view all the groups here:  
[winvin.org.uk/lifegroups](http://winvin.org.uk/lifegroups)**

If you have questions, please contact the office - we are always happy to help you find the right group for you.

# Kids & Youth

Young people are welcome here. Our aim is that they have fun, make friends and connect with God. We have groups for all ages and a fantastic Kids & Youth Team.

## Sunday Groups

On Sunday mornings at our 10:30am service, children can join a group where they will do fun activities & learn about following Jesus.

## Big Fish

Monday toddler group 10:30am-12noon. Lots of toys, books, crafts, outdoor play, songs, snacks & support for parents & carers. £1.50

## Dad's Group

For Dads & Grandads & their 0-7 year olds. Lots of toys, inflatables, games, food, coffee. Monthly on Saturdays 10:30am-12pm

## Blaze Club

Great fun for Year 3-6 (games, consoles, table football, tuck shop, pool table, crafts and more). Monthly on Saturdays 6:30-8pm, £1

## Glo Youth Club

Youth fun (games, consoles, table football, tuck shop, pool table and more). For Year 7+. Weekly on Thursdays 7:30-9pm, £1

## Deeper & Hunger

Deeper is a monthly youth Life Group on a Sunday lunchtime and Hunger is a monthly youth worship evening on a Sunday dinner time. Both involve nice food and great community & friendship.

**Stephen Martin** is our Children & Youth Pastor. He oversees the teams, making sure the groups are fun, inspirational and safe for the children.

We take Safeguarding seriously: our teams are DBS checked and our Safeguarding Policy is available via the office.

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# Streams of Hope

When we follow Jesus our lives begin to change. As we grow in our faith, we may find we need to deal with the effects of the past and find healing.

God loves us and wants us to be free from the things that hold us back: pain from things we have done which we wished we hadn't, or things we have experienced through circumstances or relationships.

Life Groups and Sunday morning services are a great place to be prayed for. If we want to go deeper there are a variety of different options, collectively called Streams of Hope.

**First Stop:** not sure where to start? Contact us for an appointment to discuss how we can help you.

**Bethel Sozo:** a powerful yet gentle prayer session that aims to deal with the things that are stopping us from connecting deeply with God.

**Love After Marriage:** this course takes an in-depth look at relationships. It can revive and refresh your marriage, or help repair marriages that are struggling.

**Stress Course:** a four week course to help you manage the pressures of life, exploring the impact of stress on spirit, soul & body.

**Recovery Course:** a 12 step course to help people find freedom from any form of addiction.

Streams of Hope is run by a fantastic team of volunteers and overseen by **Mervyn & Clare Suffield** who have many years of professional experience.



**For more info or to book an appointment, contact Juliet:**  
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**(all communication will be kept confidential)**