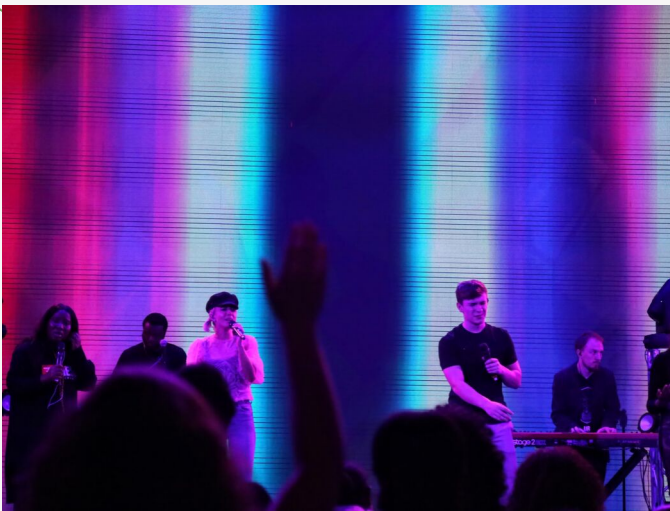


# THE HUB

NEWSLETTER



## VICTORIOUS

BY LEONARD HUNDEYIN

I love worship music and feel like you can never get enough in your typical Sunday service, so when an opportunity like this comes along where we have a few hours in the evening to just bask in God's presence, I make sure that my diary is clear. It's such an amazing feeling to be able to immerse myself amongst other young people, all with the same goal and purpose; to give it all to Jesus. Apart from being with other young people, one of my favourite things from the night was just being free. Free to worship without judgment or fear, free to worship as I would in the privacy of my home where no one is watching.

During the evening, Ben gave a short sermon on how much we need Jesus so we don't end up just going through the motions of religion in life. Reminding us that the best we can offer God is nowhere near enough for Him but, despite this, He still cares for us and loves us so much that He's willing to provide a sacrifice for us so that we can have a real relationship with Him. The Hub worship nights are the events that I look forward to each month and I'm always eager to attend the next one.

## HOMELESS OUTREACH

BY THARA POPOOLA

It was a great night, we fed the homeless, listened to their stories and I know a lot of us had the opportunity to pray for them and share the good news. I spent most of the night speaking to a wonderful man called Damien, we spoke about different things God, languages, music and his love of Beyonce ! A connection was made and he went on to share that he had been homeless for 3 years and was struggling to get a job and explained how this was impacting his mental health. He went on to say how the worse thing for him about being homeless wasn't necessarily the lack of food or shelter but rather the lack of connection and constant feeling of loneliness. This was difficult to hear and it made me value the importance of connection.

'You shall open your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor in your land' (Deuteronomy 15:11). Let all of us be the ones to 'open our hand', and make connections with those in need, smile at them, speak to them, let them know that they are seen, and Jesus loves them.





## THE GOOD NEWS

BY JOSHUA OKOLI

We spoke about what the Good News is, and it was amazing hearing everyone's different understanding of the same core message. From emphasis on hope, to love, to forgiveness of sin, and freedom from God's wrath, it all came down to what Christ did on the cross (John 3:16-17).

The session was a timely reminder for all of us, and an encouragement to be bolder in our approach. My favourite comment of the day was "so why don't we share it?". This resonated with me. So my encouragement to all of us is to share the gospel and make Christ known. Pray for the sick, minister to people who don't know Christ, and step out in faith.

## GOODBYE REV CHAN

BY IMMANUEL BOKER

We will never forget Gabriel doing the relationship talks that attracted twice the number of Hub attendees, him declaring passionately "bring back dating" and "a coffee is just a coffee". We will never forget the principles around flag systems and boundaries that will help us build healthy relationships, and honour God in what we do. We will never forget Gabriel's honest and upfront talks that challenged us to become more like Christ, honouring our brothers and sisters, and loving the people around us - even when it is hard.

We thank God for Gabriel, for all that he has invested in the Hub, and the example he is for us as a pastor, husband, father and friend. We are sad to see Gabriel and his family go, but also are happy to see people being led in the ways of the Lord. We look forward to welcoming family Chan back in a few years - with the Hub being known to everyone in London as the place for young adults to experience God, reach their friends, and be a part of one big family!

