

KINGDOM ROOTS



Knowing Christ better to follow him more closely



The Revolution Begins?

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*The son of man has come to seek out
& to give life to those who are lost*

Luke 19.10

Surprise 2.

**Jesus confronted the establishment &
religious leaders**

Surprise 3.

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Unless you change & become like little children you will never enter the kingdom of heaven

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Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these

Matt 19.14

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Surprise 4.

Forever Focus on the poor

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me
Because He has anointed me
To proclaim good news to the poor*

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‘There are now more foodbanks in the UK than branches of McDonalds’

(Richard Walker, MD of Iceland supermarkets).

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Basingstoke Foodbank

Average current stats are:

Feeding around 800 people a month

Distributing about 8 tonnes of food per month.

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Important changes to Basingstoke Foodbanks – now providing as much additional support to its clients as possible to enable them to rise out of the issues that caused them to need the Foodbank's help. This has resulted in a permanent presence in the Foodbank of an officer from Citizens Advice, the ability to refer clients to money advice services, debt counselling, budgeting advice, job search facilities, mental health and other pastoral support.

Foodbank has now relocated not to one, but seven local community centres in the town, based on churches

Surprise 4.

LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE, REACH the COMMUNITY.

THE RESULT:

FOODBANK:

In **2018:** We gave out food parcels to **800** people

In **2019:** to **900** people

In **2020 Lockdown:** We have **7,277 people who** received over **22,000 food parcels** from us, as we added fresh fruit & veg & bread to the foodbank ones

The Community have donated so much food to us & foodbank, its unbelievable. 6 villages, Churches, Mosque, Hindus, one Chinese family donates 30 crates of food every month as they want to give back on furlough, and so many other individuals from from all walks of life. We also worked with the local town council getting them to loan us their drivers and van in lockdown to deliver to the isolating etc.

In **2021:** We are already at **3,000 people** with the busiest months still to happen, especially now the furlough scheme is ending.



Surprise 4.



LUNCH TAKE AWAY:

In **2018**: We gave out **4,890** serving of hot food and sandwiches (all free)

In **2019**: We gave **5,504** servings.

In 2020 Lockdown: We adapted and served from one door over **7,001** servings, such was the need.

In **2021**: We are already over **9,000** servings as of today, with the rest of Sept, Oct, Nov, Dec still to come.

Surprise 4.

BABY BASICS:

2014: We gave clothes and Moses Baskets etc to **64 babies & children.**

2015/17: 400-600 per year.

2018, 2019,2020: We gave out to **1,200 children** per year in MK.

2021: We are still at high numbers but in addition have just been clothing large numbers of Afghanistan children from the mercy flights on the news.

MK is one of the main destinations for the families prior to going elsewhere in the country. literally clothed them all in MK.



Surprise 5 The Revolution for women.



Surprise 6. Day-tight compartments

In the gospels fear worry anxiety etc.
appear over 290 times

*Therefore do not worry about tomorrow,
for tomorrow will worry about itself*

Matt 6.34