

EVENTS AND CONFERENCES

1 Faith Matters Days

Each year, the Promotion Committee arranges a series of three Faith Matters Days. These take place on Saturday mornings here at Rayleigh, 10am to 12 noon. The programmes are always varied, with high-quality Guest Speakers to inform, teach, encourage and give practical tips and information about their chosen subject. The meetings are always inter-active – lots of questions, answers and discussion, which often continues over coffee during the interval and at the end of the morning.

Participants are invited to donate £6 to cover costs. In recent times. Plans are in hand for Faith Matters Days in 2021.

2 Family Day

This is becoming an annual event, taking place on a Saturday in the summer here at Rayleigh EC. This is a full day (10am to 4pm) packed with seminars and workshops on a wide range of subjects. Each subject is led by a guest speaker, an expert in their field, and the main Guest Speaker of the day is also the preacher at the closing act of worship. There is also a children's programme parallel to the workshops, and the Promotion Committee is thinking hard about how to encourage young people to attend.

Participants are invited to donate £8 to cover costs including an excellent buffet lunch! We encourage you to book the date for next year's Family Day. It may be that your Church could subsidise this cost as an extra prompt to attend! Why not bring a friend! Attendance is between 60 and 80.

3 Youth Connect activities

These are now on hold. Please contact the office for up to date information and plans.

4 Men's Breakfasts

The value of men meeting together over a cooked breakfast cannot be under-estimated! These take place at Rayleigh Evangelical Church from 8.30am onwards on a Saturday morning. A guest speaker brings a challenging talk, and the morning finishes about 10.30am. It is possible that a model railway club meeting will take place directly after the breakfast – another incentive to stay.

Attendances are usually 40 to 80 men, with many bringing friends with them; some attend who are members of other Churches in the Rayleigh district. There is no charge - a donation is welcome. Contact the office for details of the next Men's Breakfast.

5 Women's Day Conferences

This is developing into an annual event, in a suitable venue away from the "hustle and bustle" of everyday life. A special Guest Speaker is invited. Please contact the UEC office for details.