

We believe that God's good news is worth sharing.

God is perfect. It's his world and we've messed it up.

Amazingly, God doesn't just get rid of us.

God loves us so much he sent his son Jesus to rescue us from the judgement we deserve.

No matter who we are or what we've done, we can be forgiven by God and change.

Only God brings real lasting hope.

Mirek is a member of Grace Church Cambridge in Arbury. He wanted to share with you his story of how Jesus has given him true hope. Over the next few months, more of our members will share their stories in future leaflets.

**Would you like to hear more?**

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## Family Christmas Carols at North Cambridge Academy



11am Sunday 18 December

Join us in celebration of the birth of Christ - and enjoy a mince pie or two...



To find out more about God's good news, please come see us. We meet from 10.30am-12noon every Sunday, at North Cambridge Academy.



We sing, pray, read the Bible and hear talks.

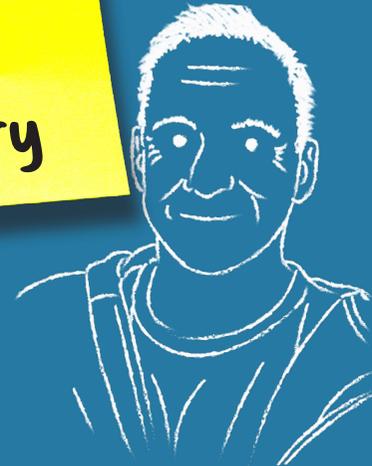


We then chat, drink tea and coffee, and care for each other.



We look forward to meeting you!

**Seven lives,  
One hope  
Mirek's story**



Hello!

I love Christmas: the lights, the food... and the presents!

It reminds me that I have been given the greatest gift anyone can get. And I was given it by the last person I ever expected.

It's a gift of hope, freedom and love. And you can have it too.

It's why we celebrate Christmas.

# Mirek's Story



"All my life I've been searching for something. When I was 16, I thought I'd found it."

"I became a skinhead and joined a group of Neo-Nazis. They made me feel that I belonged and was accepted."

"They told me there were people to hate and people to trust. They introduced me to Slavic pagan gods. But when I prayed to them, I knew it didn't work."

"Over time, I moved to the UK, got a job as a bus driver and had a family. But I still felt there was a hole in my life that nothing was able to fill."

"When I got to Jesus' death, I cried. I realised he had died so that I could be forgiven. I felt a weight lift from my shoulders. I knew I was truly loved and accepted."

"What he said sounded great, but I wanted to check it for myself. I started to read the Bible from the beginning. But, after a while, I got bored of all the rules about sacrifices."

"One day I heard a Polish comedian who made me laugh. He had this other podcast about the Bible and God, and I thought 'Why not?'"

"I enjoy playing computer games and I started to listen to gaming podcasts."

"When I got to the bit where Jesus meets the Jewish Leaders, I expected to be angry and really hate them. It's what I'd been taught to feel... but I didn't."

"Something had changed - my hatred was gone. Instead of anger, I just felt sad for them. Sad that they had missed that Jesus is the Son of God."

"Then a Christian friend asked me to try a different part of the Bible, looking at the life of Jesus - the Book of John."

