

# Hope's Bookshelf: Some books that have shaped us



The Bible is obviously our number one book and at a different level to everything else, but we've been encouraged and inspired as a church by a number of other books too. They've been particularly relevant to our journey and learning at Hope and have helped shape who we are today.

We have a few copies you can borrow from our mini library or you can purchase them from online book sellers.



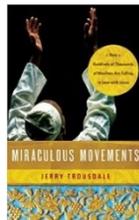
## "Red Moon Rising" and "Dirty Glory" by Pete Greig

Our call to be a Prayer Centre has kept us close to the 24/7 prayer movement over the last 20 years. These books tell that story brilliantly, showing the bigger work of God that we're part of. Red Moon Rising is the part 1 from 2003. Dirty Glory is the more recent part 2. Both are easy to read, full of stories, insights from the Bible and from history. "Dirty Glory will ignite fresh passion in your soul, inspiring you to pray and equipping you to convey God's glory in a dirty world." Pete Greig's more recent "How To Pray" is a more general book on prayer.



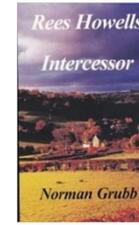
## "Chasing the Dragon" by Jackie Pullinger

This book tells the story of Jackie Pullinger living and working with heroin and opium addicts in Hong Kong, seeing them delivered from their addictions pain free through being filled with the Holy Spirit and praying in tongues. Again, this is close to Hope's heart and journey. Tracy Rutter, Minnie Crawley and (currently) Andy & Sophie Hunter have all worked with Jackie Pullinger. It is also available as a graphic novel that 10 year olds in Hope have enjoyed reading.



## "Miraculous Movements" by Jerry Trousdale

This one helps us keep the global perspective that is so important for us as Christians. It does more than just that though. It shows how the message of Jesus can 'go viral,' with simple ways that we can share our faith and 'make disciples.' It's a great 'how to' for Matthew 28.19.

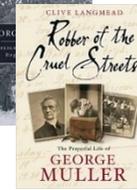


## "Intercessor" is the story of Rees Howells by Norman Grubb.

Similar to George Muller, Rees Howells lived a life of prayer and trust in God. Intercessor tells how this man, discovered that God answers prayer.

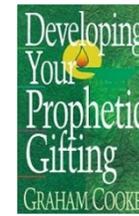


## "Delighted in God" by Roger Steer is one of the best on George Muller.



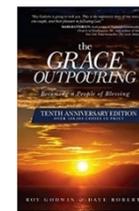
## "Robber of the Cruel Streets" by Clive Langmead includes pictures!

Muller is the local hero who welcomed orphans from Bristol's streets into his home. He cared for 10,000, receiving over £86,000,000 (in today's money) through prayer. George's story will inspire you in prayer and faith. "Mullers" continues with a thriving ministry today. Jonathan Lee worked for them for a time. They also support Sarah Parson-Winter's charity in Kenya.



## "Developing Your Prophetic Gifting" by Graham Cooke

A classic on hearing God's voice with years of experience and great stories. This is also great if you already hear God speak and want to grow more.



## "The Grace Outpouring" by Roy Godwin

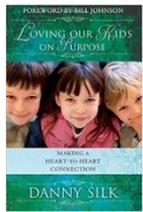
As with Pete Greig's books, there is a similarity here to our journey in building a Prayer Centre at Hope. This is the story of Ffald y Brenin retreat centre and the power of praying blessing.



## "Culture of Honor" by Danny Silk

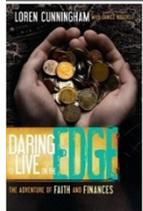
We have found such life at Hope through honouring each other and speaking words of life. This book similarly teaches us how to bring the

culture of God's kingdom to our everyday lives.



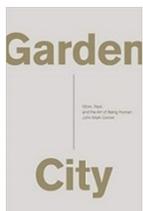
**“Loving Our Kids On Purpose”** by Danny Silk

A lot of Hoppers have found this book helpful with parenting. “Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom. (2 Corinthians 3:17). Rather than training children to learn to accept being controlled by well-meaning adults, this book teaches parents how to train children to manage their freedoms and protect their important relationships.”



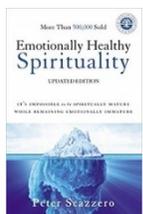
**“Daring to Live on the Edge”** by Loren Cunningham

Jesus taught on money more than on any other subject. Money is a great tool for everyday discipleship. This book helps us to worship God with our money whether we have little or lots.



**“Garden City: Work, Rest, and the Art of Being Human”** by John Mark Comer

This book inspired our ‘Practices’ series in 2018. Comer unpacks God’s creation and His original intent for how we spend our time, asking questions like “Does God care where I work?” and “How do I connect with God in a sustainable way?” Comer also has a great podcast series called [“This Cultural Moment”](#) about following Jesus today.



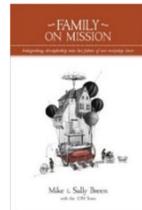
**“Emotionally Healthy Spirituality”** by Peter Scazzero

At Hope we recognise that we all have brokenness in different areas, and a big part of following Jesus is about becoming healed and mature. The Living Free course provides some great tools for this lifestyle of change and growth. This book by Peter Scazzero provides further tools, rich teaching and inspiring stories.



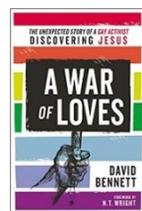
**“Above the Poverty Line”** by Sarah Parsons-Winter

Sarah shares her journey of faith, and how God led her from Long Ashton to Mfangano Island!



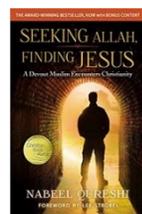
**“Family on Mission”** by Mike & Sally Breen

This has helped shape our thinking and teaching around mission through our homes, family life and local communities. It has inspiring teaching and examples on how mission can be part of everyday life.



**“A War of Loves”** by David Bennett

As Christians in the West we’ve often not shown the love and respect towards people with LGBTQ orientations that Jesus would. This story of a gay activist encountering Jesus helps to equip us to remedy that. Chris & Alice gave five talks on sexuality as part of our series ‘Following Jesus in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century’ in 2019. These are on our website.



**“Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus”** by Nabeel Qureshi

This is a gripping story of a life changed by Jesus. Through Nabeel’s personal journey the book also addresses many of the big questions people have about Christianity, such as did Jesus rise from the dead, can we trust the Bible, and what about other religions?



**“The Good News That Keeps Getting Better”** by Andrew Stansbury!

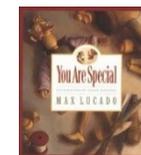
Written by our Associate Pastor(!), this book helps us to grow in our daily walk with Jesus, recognising where we’re

believing lies and moving increasingly into truth and freedom.



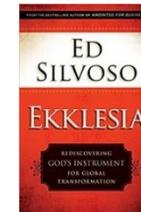
**“A New Christian Manifesto”** by Bob Ekblad

Bob Ekblad ran a course in Hope in 2019 about ministry on the margins of society. In this ‘Manifesto’ he shows, through stories and rich Biblical insights, how those on the edge are Jesus’ priority.



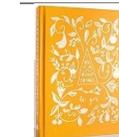
**“You Are Special”** by Max Lucado

This is a fantastic children’s story that reflects a childlike version of Living Free, replacing lies with the ‘Makers’ truth.



**“Ekklesia”** by Ed Siloso

Lots of people in Hope have found this book about ‘market place’ transformation to be inspirational. There are many stories from around the world from businesses, cities, local communities. Jez and Jo Sweetland are involved with bringing this teaching from Ed Siloso to the UK and Bristol area.



**“I Am So Many Things”** by Thea Muir

Written and drawn with children in mind to sow seeds of truth about who God says we are.

Our Sunday talks are all available as podcasts online at [www.hopechapel.co.uk/talks](http://www.hopechapel.co.uk/talks)