

WHO'S WHO?

Stephen and Pippa Mawditt: Stephen is the leader of the Fountain of Life Network and the congregation at Ashill, supported by his wife Pippa, who is also on the leadership team.

Madeline Light is the ordained leader of the Fountain of Life congregation in Norwich based at St Stephen's Church in the City.

Paul Wilkinson is in the process of training for ordination.

Wendy Sargeant is a Reader in the Church of England and heads up our listening and prayer ministry team.

John Watts heads up the worship team for the network.

Rebecca Watts leads the administration team of the Fountain of Life Network and is PA to Stephen.

Neil Richardson is the Finance Manager for the Fountain of Life Network.

David & Christine Buscall: David, assisted by his wife Christine, is the treasurer of the Fountain of Life, Ashill.

Tim Wilson is founder of Mid-Norfolk Kidz Klub and leader of Kidz Klub in Ashill.

Maryanne Richardson is the co-ordinator of our youth and children's ministry as well as responsible for Kidz Klub in Scarning.

Ana Paula Wedermann is our Kidz Klub Primary Schools Worker.

Adam Jackson is our Youth Worker.

Matt Beckett is our Youth and Kidz Klub worker.

Andrea Jolly is our Family and Children's worker. Andrea runs a Christian pre-school - First Steps - and organises our children's ministry for 0-11's.

Freddy and Ali Hedley head up our clusters. Freddy is also director of the New Wine Training Partnership hub for East Anglia.

Andrew and Julia Rees head up evangelism, taking responsibility for organising guest services, events and activities such as 'God on the streets'.

Heather Nunn oversees our Mercy ministry to those in need and organises CAP money management courses. .

Richard Dilks is our site warden and ensures the maintenance of the buildings and grounds.

Martin Down is founder of the Fountain of Life church in Ashill. Martin is retired from full-time ministry and is our resident theologian.

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News from the *Fountain of Life Network*

JANUARY 2011

Dear Friends,

Paul writes, 'So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, *rooted* and built up in him.' (Colossians 2:7). 'Be rooted in Him' are the words I would like to encourage us to focus on at the beginning of a new year.



It's the language of the arboretum! How vital it is for a tree to have a well-established and secure root system. The Greek word used, 'rhizoo', implies being firmly planted or established. In a similar way, Paul encourages us to attach ourselves so securely to Jesus Christ as Lord that we can withstand the storms of life. There are many things that encourage a tree to grow healthily - soil preparation, temperature, moisture, nutrition are all important in creating the right growing conditions (although I'm not an expert!). Perhaps the most important aspect is to make the tree, especially a young one, feel stable and secure. Heeling it in to remove air around the root system, removing some of the growth from the tree to strengthen its root, and often tying it in to a stake which prevents the roots from moving around in the wind until they are secure enough to withstand a storm. All of this is encouraging the tree to be still so that the roots may grow in a healthy way and deepen.

It reminded me of the call of God delivered by the psalmist to 'Be still and know that I am God' (Psalm 46:10). It's a good psalm to reflect on at the beginning of the year. Whatever 2011 brings, whether good news in wars ceasing and conflicts resolved or bad news in times of trouble, God is our refuge and strength, He is with us and will be our place of sanctuary and safety. Good news! But, to fully enter into this reality, to 'be rooted' in Him, to really know God, we need to 'be still.'

This month we begin our journey through the Bible in two years, with guided reading and commentary, and I hope that our monthly *Digging Deeper* series will be helpful in building us up in our faith and developing a strong root system. However, Paul's letter was addressed to 'the holy and faithful brothers in Christ at Colosse.' In other words, not just to the church leaders or the church as an organisation but to individual Christians - it's our own personal responsibility to do what needs to be done to stay rooted, to 'be still' and know that He is God.

In 2011 may we continue to live in Him, placing a priority on being rooted in our relationship with Jesus as Lord and King.

With love and prayers for a fruitful New Year,

Stephen & Pippa

folMINISTRIES

NEWS FROM HMP WAYLAND

For the past six years, *Prison Fellowship* volunteers in Wayland Prison have been presenting and facilitating the *Sycamore Tree Course* in restorative justice. The most recent course, just completed at Wayland, was the 1,000th to be run in UK prisons, giving rise to a special celebration.



Representing victims of crime, Ray and Vi Donovan were welcomed as they shared the extraordinary testimony of how they came to be able to forgive the young men who caused the death of their eighteen-year-old son nine years ago.

The six-week course, devised by *Prison Fellowship* and accredited by the *Open College Network*, is based on the story of Zaccheus in Luke 19 and seeks to bring offenders to a full awareness of the far-reaching effects of crime on their immediate victims, their families, the wider community and indeed themselves. Issues of taking responsibility for our own actions, forgiveness of others and self are explored, together with the need for both victims and offenders to be restored. On week three, a victim of crime comes in to tell their story and on

the final day, participants are given the opportunity of making a symbolic act of restitution. This is a practical expression of being sorry and an intention to change from offending behaviour to being a useful member of society; in many cases this is genuine, heartfelt and most moving.

The effectiveness of the *Sycamore Tree Course* in reducing re-offending is being increasingly recognised and the Governor of Wayland Prison has asked the local *Prison Fellowship* group to run eight courses in 2011, which will stretch our resources in terms of volunteers to the limit. Each course needs five small group facilitators, who will need to undergo security checks and join *Prison Fellowship*, and who will have the opportunity of observing and helping on a course as an introduction. The courses take place on Tuesday afternoons from 1-5pm.

We are actively seeking new volunteers and if you feel this, or indeed any other aspect of prison ministry might possibly be for you, do please get in touch so we can chat about it. This is a very a practical outreach and a way of showing God's love and care for all, and can be a most rewarding experience. Equally, if you or someone you know has been a victim of crime and would be willing to share your story, we would love to hear from you.

Annabel Valentine

INTERNSHIP

I'm sure that over the last three months most of us would have found that the interns have been doing an amazing job and our continual thanks go out to Dave, Roy and Emma. We are now starting to think about next year as we would love to see more people being blessed by our internship programme and blessing us at the same time. If you are between the ages of 18-24 and would love to give a year to the church or you know someone who you believe would benefit from the intern year, then please take a flyer from the foyer, check out the website (www.folinternship.co.uk) or send me an email (m.beckett@folchurch.co.uk).

THE ALPHA COURSE is a wonderful foundation and introduction to the Christian faith as well as being a great place to make new friends. Our next course begins on 2nd February at 19.00 for a meal and runs for eleven weeks, with one Saturday meeting. If you are interested in coming please talk to Stephen or Pippa (01760 440 363).





DIGGING DEEPER

Our monthly series of theological study mornings, *Digging Deeper*, begins on January 29th at The Well. Our guest speaker is Paul Garner, who will be speaking on 'Theology of Creation.' Throughout the morning there will be two sessions, the first addressing theological questions and the second, scientific questions:

Session 1: Why does it matter? What's at stake in the creation/evolution debate?

This talk will compare the whole biblical story of creation to new creation with the neo-Darwinian account of earth history. Understood in this way the debate is not merely over the interpretation of the early chapters of Genesis but the coherence of the historic Christian understanding of core doctrines such as the cross and resurrection. It will argue that key Christian doctrines that express aspects of the 'story-line' of the Bible (Adam as a historical individual, a global flood and the link between sin and death) are incompatible with neo-Darwinism.

Session 2: The new creationism - building scientific theories on a biblical foundation.

This talk will review the ground-breaking work being done by modern creationist scholars to build positive creationist theories in the field of origins. Drawing on examples from the fields of biology and geology, it will aim to encourage confidence in God's Word and excite interest in the scientific study of God's world.

The morning runs from 10am-1pm and everyone is welcome to come along - no booking is necessary. There is a nominal cost of £5 to cover speaker expenses and refreshments. For more details, contact Stephen Mawditt (themawditts@tiscali.co.uk or 01760 440 363) or Rebecca Watts (admin@folchurch.co.uk or 01760 441 902).

MERCY MINISTRY

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Thank you to all who provided items for hampers this year. We had a wonderful response and these were distributed to people in good time for Christmas.

CAP MONEY

We aim to run two courses in January (three two-hour sessions over three weeks), to help you manage your money better. Both will be at The Well. There is no need to disclose any personal financial information. The dates will be on Wednesday afternoons (2-4pm) - January 19th, 26th and February 2nd; and Monday evenings (7-9pm) - January 17th, 24th and 31st.

To book your place, please contact Heather Nunn (07979 264047; heather.nunn@paston.co.uk)

TRANSPORT FOR THE HOMELESS

A number of people have kindly volunteered to assist in transporting homeless people to sleeping accommodation in severe weather. This service has been extended to assisting with transport for rough sleepers for other reasons, such as assisting them to return to their country of origin or for important appointments for housing and other urgent assistance. As this now means that transport may be required during the daytime, please let Heather know if you might be able to help.

Heather Nunn

FLOWERS AND COFFEE: OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

On some occasions it is good to have a few flower arrangements in the Worship Centre. Is there anyone who would be willing to help with this? Have no fear! Not much call for pedestals or large arrangements, mostly help with window sill flowers. For me personally, the beautiful banners made by the craft group Bezalel fill the place with so much beauty. If you feel you can help with the flowers could you speak to me, Mary Mouncer, in church or telephone me on 01366 384 726. While I have the spotlight, a few more people are needed on the monthly coffee rota. I would also like to say a big thank you to all those who already help. Sharing a drink is a wonderful time of fellowship. So hatches open, drinks ready!

folFAMILY

BIBLE READING NOTES

From the 1st January 2011 we shall have Bible reading notes available on our website - a hard copy will be available if you prefer at cost. This will accompany a two-year plan to read through the Bible in chronological order, but with one or two innovative features!

The Fountain of Life daily bible reading notes are available at www.folchurch.co.uk/throughthebible or follow the links from the main website. If you would prefer a paper copy then please let Rebecca Watts know via the FoL admin office (01760 441 902).

ANSWERS TO PRAYER

Our son Luke had a serious motorbike accident in France twenty months ago and so many of you have faithfully prayed for his recovery. So we wanted to say not only thank you from Luke and us, but also to let you know how wonderfully God has answered your prayers. Luke has just completed nine months' work as captain of the Alouette - his route is very physical with many lochs to pass through each week on the canal-du-midi. Luke has now fully regained his fitness and strength and is looking forward to a seven-week break (renovating his apartment) with his new wife Moira. Luke and Moira were married in New Zealand in February and Moira finally joined Luke in France at the end of August. They have been so blessed and are so grateful - praise God and bless you for your love and prayers.

You have also been a real blessing, support and encouragement to me and Tony in many ways these last seven months (which at times seemed like forever). The hip is now successfully healed and I have been signed off by the surgeon who is very pleased for the operation to have worked so swiftly and well. So again, praise God and thank you so much for all your love and prayers over the long haul. You're appreciated deeply.

Dot and Tony Lewin

SKETCHERS AND PAINTERS GROUP

We meet on the second Tuesday of every month. For venue and time details telephone Tony and Dot on 01953 885 369.

LEARNING TO PRAY

Would anyone be interested in getting together for a few sessions during January and February to read, discuss and put into practice the teaching in Dutch Sheets' book on Intercessory Prayer? If so, let Annabel Valentine know.

To receive prayer for an emergency or pressing need, phone or text:

07979 264 047

Heather Nunn

Emergency Prayer Chain Co-ordinator

JOB OPPORTUNITY

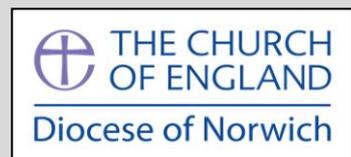
Christian Children and Families Worker (part time)
For Dersingham, Snettisham and Heacham

Have you a passion to share your enthusiastic Christian faith? Bags of energy? Good at relating to children, parents, teachers - good at motivating church volunteers? Come and join us in reaching out to children and young people with the gospel; enabling a team of volunteers to set up, lead, and support children's clubs and activities; working with schools and families.

Hours: 14 per week; Salary: £6,982 (with annual uplifts) - funded for three years.

Closing date: 4th February 2011; Interview date: 12th February

To discuss, contact Alan Crawshaw between 2-8pm (01485 543 836 or alanandjunec@tiscali.co.uk)
For an application pack, click on www.norwich.anglican.org



foLOVERSEAS

A page to bring you all the latest news from the Fountain of Life family around the world. Many of the people featured in this section send newsletters and prayer requests which are too extensive to feature here. If you feel called to read about and pray for any of the individuals featured, please contact Becky Russell at danandbeckyrussell@btinternet.com

DESTINY AFRICA CHILDREN'S CHOIR, UGANDA

Here's an update from Kampala Children's Centre who visited in the summer. The tour manager, Ruth has confirmed that their visit to Fountain of Life church raised a total of £2,453.77:

'Thank you so much for hosting us and giving us all such a welcome - we were looked after so well and blessed by you all. THANK YOU for all your hard work to host us. I will be back in touch next year as *Destiny Africa* will be returning again in Autumn 2011 and I have taken on the role of Tour Manager again!'

NEW CD

Destiny Africa Children's Choir have recently released a new CD called 'Dream Again', available online at (www.destinyafrica.org), price £13, including delivery.

BRIDGET CARROLL IN MOZAMBIQUE WITH IRIS MINISTRIES

Bridget explains that whilst driving through the busy local market, 'a young man came running out from in front of the truck. I couldn't see him coming as the truck was blocking my view and he was literally running straight at me and so fast that I couldn't help but hit him. He bounced onto the bonnet in front of me and his momentum kept him flying ... I watched in horror from my side mirror as he flew through the air, flipping twice and landed on the other side of the road. A crowd quickly gathered and as I broke through it to see him, he was lying on his side groaning. As the driver, it was my responsibility to get him to the Pemba hospital as quickly as possible.

And the **MIRACLE** is that x-rays showed no broken bones and he has literally walked away from the accident with only cuts, grazes and bruises. I took him and his family home where he is resting. I have been a nurse long enough to know that an accident such as this can be potentially fatal. I believe that angels were sent to protect this young man and to preserve his life. The enemy comes only to steal, kill and destroy and he was prowling around this morning just trying to cause an awful lot of trouble. But God came and God saved ... and I have a large dent in my bonnet to prove it. God is always watching over us from His unique vantage point.'

With much love, Bridget.

TIM MCMAHON WITH EURASIAN MINISTRIES

'The first ten days of January are a seasonal holiday for most people in Russia. Please pray that the churches in Tatarstan will make the most of this time to present the gospel through the many events they have planned. The students will especially be reaching out to central Asians living in Kazan during this holiday period.'

(Note: Russians celebrate New Year twice; New New Year on 1st January and Old New Year on 14th January - hence this time being a seasonal holiday, as much of the period is spent celebrating).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

THE GATHERING



In June 2011 men of the UK will gather in a field near Swindon. They will come from far and near, in ones and twos, in small and large groups, by bike, car or minibus. They will gather for a weekend. Tents will be put up. Barbecues will be lit. They may know some

others there but there will be many they do not yet know. There will be young and old, from all jobs, all backgrounds and many different types of church. And for one weekend, all these men will gather for one purpose ...

To believe that in our lifetime a committed band of brothers, joined together in purpose, can change a nation. We call this *The Gathering*. It runs from Friday 24th to Sunday 26th June and features Carl Beech, Andy Drake and Graham Kendrick. Mark Clamp will be attending from Fountain of Life so if you are interested, please let him know. You can book online or alternatively, please call the CVM office (01246 271 713).

BIG WEEKEND

All over the UK churches are missing the 18-30 generation. For many years, the student branch of the navigator work has been addressing this challenge, seeking to lay foundations for a lifetime's discipleship. How our country needs Christians who live out their faith wherever they are!



'Big Weekend' is a conference aiming at envisioning and equipping the student generation of the church in the UK, with Mark Greene, in association with *The Navigators UK* and *The London Institute for Contemporary Christianity*. Alongside the main sessions we are giving you the opportunity to choose from one of the following tracks for more focussed content throughout the weekend:

IGNITE your adventure with God and discover the 'secrets' behind a deep and lasting relationship with Him;
EQUIP others to have an adventure with God. Release your potential and the potential of those around you;
ENGAGE with the world you're in. Learn how disciples can follow Jesus in the age of the internet, iPhones and cities that never sleep.

This conference, which is brought to you by some of the UK's leading practitioners in disciple-making and contemporary culture, runs from 11-13th February 2011 at Cliff College, Derbyshire.

PRAYER DAY FOR OUR NATION

The National Board of *AGLOW* has arranged a day of prayer for our nation on Saturday 12th February 2011, to gather people together 'to pray and make declarations over our capital city that God will move in power in our beloved land.' They have provisionally booked a coach, which will pick up in Norwich, taking us direct to the venue at Lancaster Gate at a cost of £18.50. For further details please contact Anne Cossey (annecossey@talktalk.net). I will gladly liaise on lifts to Norwich. Whilst *AGLOW* is a women's ministry, this event is open to both men and women. *Annabel Valentine*

BOOKINGS

All bookings for the Worship Centre can be made through Rebecca Watts admin@folchurch.co.uk 07990 543131 or 01760 441 902.

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JANUARY 2011

SUNDAY WORSHIP

2 nd	10.00	Holy Communion: <i>Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalm 72:[1-9]10-15; Ephesians 3:1-12; Matthew 2:1-12</i>
	16.00	Norwich: '4 o'clock Gathering'
9 th	10.00	Service of the Word: <i>Isaiah 42:1-9; Psalm 29; Acts 10:34-43; Matthew 3:13-end</i>
	16.00	Norwich: '4 o'clock Gathering'
	18.00	Feed the Soul: <i>Genesis 28:10-30:24</i>
16 th	10.00	Holy Communion of the Word: <i>Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-12; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42</i>
	16.00	Norwich: '4 o'clock Gathering'
	18.00	Feed the Soul: <i>Genesis 30:25-31:55</i>
23 rd	10.00	Service of the Word: <i>Isaiah 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1, 4-12; 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23</i>
	16.00	Norwich: '4 o'clock Gathering'
	18.00	Feed the Soul: <i>Genesis 32:1-33:17</i>
30 th	10.00	Holy Communion: <i>1 Kings 17:8-16; Psalm 36:5-10; 1 Corinthians 1:18-end; John 2:1-11</i>
	16.00	Norwich: '4 o'clock Gathering'
	18.00	Feed the Soul: <i>Genesis 33:18-35:29</i>

EVENTS (all activities at The Well unless stated)

7 th	09.00	Bezalel Craft Group
	19.00	Youth Discipleship (location: see Adam)
8 th	10.10	Kidz Klub, Ashill
9 th	14.30	Good Companions
11 th	18.00	New Wine Training Partnership
	19.00	Sketchers and painters (location: Shipdham)
14 th	18.30	ID (Years 6-8)
15 th	10.10	Kidz Klub, Scarning
17 th	19.00	CAP Course
18 th	18.00	New Wine Training Partnership
19 th	14.00	CAP Course
21 st	09.00	Bezalel Craft Group
	19.00	Youth Discipleship (location: see Adam)
22 nd	10.00	Ladies Gathering
23 rd	TBC	Raise (location: Mattishall)
25 th	18.00	New Wine Training Partnership
28 th	TBC	Treasure Hunting (location: Ashill)
29 th	10.00	Digging Deeper
	10.00	Kingdom knocking (location: Norwich)
	14.30	Musical Keys
31 st	19.00	CAP Course

Thursday Prayers - 10am every Thursday in the worship centre (term time only).

Noah's Ark parent and pre-school gathering - 10am every Thursday in the bungalow (term time only).

Jam 1 youth band - 18.30; Jam 2 youth band - 19.30; both every Thursday during (term time only).

HOME GROUPS: PLACES OF BELONGING AND DISCIPLESHIP

These are midweek groups that meet in people's homes either during the day or in the evening. The groups meet regularly to study the bible, build friendship together, have fun, worship and pray. Please talk to Pippa Mawditt (01760 440363) if you would like to join one or find out more.



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LOOKING AHEAD TO 2011

FEBRUARY

2 nd	19.00	Alpha (11 week course)
3 rd	19.00	Prayer night
12 th	10.00	En:Lighten Gym
15 th	19.30	Child Protection training
17 th	19.00	FoL council meeting
19 th	10.00	Who Let the Dads Out?
20 th		Youth film night
26 th	10.00	Digging Deeper: <i>Sin, evil and the fall</i>
27 th		Raise (Location: Mattishall)

MARCH

12 th	AM	Men's breakfast
12 th	PM	Youth Intents Revisited
26 th	10.00	Digging Deeper: <i>Incarnation</i>

APRIL

9 th	10.00	Ladies gathering
10 th	10.00	FoL AGM
24 th		Raise (Location: Mattishall)
28 th		Youth film night
30 th	10.00	Digging Deeper: <i>NWTP Kingdom Theology taster and open day</i>

MAY

14 th	10.00	Men's conference
21 st		Children's workers training day
27 th -30 th		Intents Youth Alpha (Location: Brandon Pava)
28 th	10.00	Digging Deeper: <i>The Death of Christ and Atonement</i>

JUNE

11 th		FoL Council vision day
11 th	10.00	Ladies gathering
18 th		Men's breakfast
25 th	10.00	Digging Deeper: <i>Jesus: Resurrection and Ascension</i>
25 th -29 th		Kidz Klub Scarning Holiday Club (Location: Scarning)

JULY-AUGUST

30 th -5 th Aug		New Wine (location: Newark)
7 th Aug		Kidz Klub Ashill Holiday Club preparation afternoon
8 th -12 th Aug		Kidz Klub Ashill Holiday Club
14 th -18 th Aug		Soul Survivor Week 3 (Location: Bath and West Showground)

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DEADLINE FOR foI NEWS FEBRUARY 2011

The deadline for submitting news articles and testimonies for the February 2011 edition of foI NEWS is Tuesday 25th January. Please submit articles to admin@folchurch.co.uk. If dates for forthcoming events could be sent as soon as information is available then we will do our best to publicise even if foI NEWS has been printed. Where possible, please try to keep articles to 250 words or less.