

## WHO'S WHO?

**Stephen and Pippa Mawditt:** Stephen leads the Fountain of Life church and the Fountain Network. Pippa serves alongside him on the leadership team.

**Paul Wilkinson** is ordained and serves on the leadership team as assistant minister.

**Wendy Sargeant** serves on the leadership team as Reader and heads up Our Place and the prayer ministry team.

**Phil Starling** heads up the worship team supported by **John Watts** as Worship Pastor.

**David Blane** leads the administration team.

**Neil Richardson** is our Finance Manager with **Rysia Bane** serving as treasurer

**Maryanne Richardson** leads Kidz Klub in Scarning, oversees the schools ministry and offers pastoral support to families.

**Ben Hyde** 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.

**Susan Walker** heads up Good Companions our ministry to older people.

**Freddy Hedley** heads up training and equipping, including the New Wine training 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, which includes our partnership work with Christians Against Poverty.

**Rosie Smith** watches over the prophetic ministry.

**Fred Edwards** is our site warden and ensures the maintenance of the buildings and grounds.

# folNEWS

News from the *Fountain of Life*

MARCH 2014

*Dear Friends,*

*From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men lay hold of it. (Matthew 11:12)*



There are times when it seems that not much is happening, or that we've reached the place where we've been aiming for, but the

exciting thing about the Kingdom of God is that there is always more. In the past few months we've seen the structures within which the Fountain of Life operates change and we're seeing new developments unfolding as this year progresses. There is a definite sense that the Kingdom of God is advancing once again. We should anticipate that in the next few months even more will happen because that is the pattern we see in the Bible. Advances in the Kingdom come in waves, building from something as small as a word or a prophecy and ending up as something powerful and magnificent.

When Matthew wrote that the Kingdom "has been advancing forcefully" and that "forceful men lay hold of it" he was speaking of the build-up to the appearance of John the Baptist and then Jesus Christ, God's Son. Nobody has ever had a greater hold on the Kingdom of God than Jesus because he simultaneously had one foot in heaven and the other on the earth but John caught hold of the movement of God and wouldn't let it go. He proclaimed that the Kingdom of God was near and when Jesus' ministry began he sent his disciples to find out if Jesus was the one he had anticipated. In the end his tenacity for God cost him his life but Jesus went on to defeat all the evil there ever was.

It's our call and our responsibility to emulate John. We should always be looking to see what God is doing and to grab hold of it with everything we have. We're living in exciting times, the wider church has been on a downward spiral but there are signs that the tide is beginning to turn. Now is the time to hold fast to the Spirit of God and take back more of the ground that has been lost to the enemy. Don't hold back, Jesus paid a heavy price for our freedom, healing and peace: we must make sure we take all that he won for us.

Blessings to you through this month and those to come.

*Paul Wilkinson*

## SHINE 2014

Hephzibah Ministries is organising a community event on Saturday 31 May 2014. It will involve volunteers from both churches in Ashill, bringing together creativity and talents to connect with the local community. In accordance with Jesus' words, the aim is to "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in Heaven". The event we are planning is similar to the one we had last year which was well attended and was appreciated by many people in the village. The event will include music, craft/art workshops, games and sports - various ways in which we will engage with the people and build relationships. We will also aim to have stations by which we will advertise the activities of church and give out invitations to the Alpha course as an opportunity for people to explore the Christian faith.



If you have got a talent and would like to use that to bless the community and thus expand God's kingdom, do come and shine your light! We need lots of volunteers to help with various activities as part of the team. Please let us know if you can help. Please put your name down on the signup sheet or speak to Hephzibah Shipman (01760 788514, info@hephzibah-ministries.net)

*Hephzibah Shipman*

## Marriage Course



This course is for any married couple who want to enhance their marriage and to have an evening a week out together over a seven week period.

Each session starts with a candlelit supper, which is followed by a DVD presentation on a subject, during which you can discuss the subject as a couple in private. There are no group discussions or any requirement to disclose anything.

The subjects covered are Recognising each others needs, Communication, Resolving conflict, Healing past hurts, How to make each other feel loved, and How to make time for each other.

The course is very practical providing ideas to help build strong and healthy marriages.

Sessions will take place on Thursdays at 7pm starting on Thursday 1st May. We will meet at 44 Ashburton Road, Ickburgh, IP26 5JA.

Please contact Dick on 01842 879864 to book in.

*Dick and Eileen Girling*

## Fountain of Life Annual Church Meeting

We will be holding our Annual Church Meeting on Sunday 6th April during the Sunday Morning service (starting at 10am). There are 3 appointments to be made as follows

1. Appointment of one FOL representative to the Deanery Synod
2. Appointment of two elected Church Council Members (Trustees)

Nomination forms are available on the foyer table and if required we will hold elections during the meeting.

- Please pray about nominations and make sure that the person you nominate is willing and able to stand i.e. their name is entered on the electoral roll and they are age 16 or over.
- Please arrange for someone to second the nomination.
- All new Trustees will be expected to attend a brief Council meeting immediately after the Annual Meeting, the Church Council Meeting on Thursday 15th May (7.00 pm) and the Church Council Vision Day on Saturday 21st June.

Church member who are unable to attend the Annual meeting may appoint one person to vote on their behalf. This proxy vote must be declared at the beginning of the official meeting



*Jean Watson*

## A Call to All Leaders

The Cornerstone Building Trust is charged with the responsibility of ensuring that our buildings and facilities are maintained to the highest standards we can achieve. We would be very grateful if group leaders could report anything that either needs repair or is likely to need repair to Dave Blane (admin@folchurch.co.uk, 01760 441902) as soon as possible please. With your help we hope we'll be able to steward our facilities efficiently and cost effectively.

*Paul Wilkinson*

### Need to talk?

Did you know that Fountain of Life has a listening team ready and willing to spend some time with you or someone you know? If you need more time to talk through an issue than is available during or after Sunday worship or home group, let us know and we will arrange to meet with you. We all need a bit of extra support at times in our lives and a Christian/prayerful perspective is important when we find it difficult to find a way through. Please contact Joy Fernando (01953 886786), Mark Clamp (01760 440493) or Tim Gibbs (01953 884 704).

# folFAMILY

## Supranatural Life



Call of Prayer invites you to hear Christen Forster on Saturday 15th March 2014, from 10am - 4pm.

Supranatural Life was founded in 2010 by Christen Forster as part of a vision to help the UK Church step into a more pervasive, intense and intimate experience of the presence of God. He has written "The Supranatural Hope: the story of Christ in you" and "The Supranatural Life: Where Word and Spirit Meet."

The son of Roger and Faith Forster, Ichthus Christian Fellowship, Christen is a second-generation leader, pastor and teacher. He has planted churches, mobilised youth teams, led congregations and served in mission contexts in the UK and overseas.

Christen will be speaking at the House of Prayer, Fishergate, Norwich NR3 1SE. Hot drinks will be available but please bring a packed lunch!

*Annabel Valentine*

## Bible Stories on the Radio

I was approached in January by Radio Norfolk to make a monthly appearance on the Sunday Breakfast Show. Their request was for me to re-write a Bible story in a different setting or genre and then read it to the listeners. The aim is to make the Bible come alive to a new generation who may have faith, no faith or a different faith. As I explained in the interview on 26th January "My aim is not to change the message of the Bible, which is timeless and eternal; but rather to allow people to connect with its message in a new way". The first story was a modern re-telling of the parable of the Wise and Foolish Virgins.

I would welcome your support through prayer and by listening in. My next slot will be on March 23rd at 8.45am and monthly thereafter (dates to be confirmed).

*Jane Clamp*



## Bookings

All bookings for the Worship Centre, Bungalow or Stables can be made through David Blane on [admin@folchurch.co.uk](mailto:admin@folchurch.co.uk) or 01760 441 902

## New Wine Kids Workers Training Day

March 22nd 2014 - £10  
Fountain of Life Church, Ashill  
10:00 - 16:00

Here are all the exciting details and your chance to book onto an awesome day of equipping and encouragement for anyone involved in Kids Work!

### Keynote Speaker: Mark Griffiths

Mark is the Vicar of Warfield Church and also the Children's Ministry Coordinator for New Wine. He has written several books and resources to help the church engage with the children and families they meet. These include; One Generation from Extinction and Don't Tell Cute Stories - Change Lives. Mark's seventh book is about to go on sale, 'Hanging on Every Word' a book about the art of storytelling. We are looking forward to everything Mark has to share with us!

### Seminars

This years seminars are all aimed at helping us engage children with the message of the gospel in a variety of different ways. These practical sessions are aimed at honing our skills and maybe learning a few new ways to communicate with young people.

Engaging Panto  
Engaging Sports  
Engaging Prayer  
Engaging with Families  
Engaging Worship  
Engaging Drama  
Engaging Teaching

Following the success of last years **Ideas Sharing Factory** we are excited about all we can learn from each other again. Before we leave we will all have a chance to share activities and ideas that have worked really well in the past year and learn some new tricks to help us in 2014!

There will be a resources stand which you can browse and purchase from during our lunch and coffee breaks, so don't forget your wallet!

### Booking

So obviously you want to join us, but how do you go about booking? This year we are making use of the wonderful New Wine Online booking system. All you have to do is click on the link below and follow the instructions. If you are having any problems or would prefer to speak to New Wine directly please ring them on 020 8567 6717.

<http://www.new-wine.org/events/kids-workers-training-day-norfolk>

If you have any more questions or problems with booking, or would just like info about the day, please get in touch with us directly on [m.beckett@folchurch.co.uk](mailto:m.beckett@folchurch.co.uk) or 01760 441902.

We hope you are as excited about the day as we are and we look forward to seeing you on March 22nd!

*Matt and Maryanne*

# folFAMILY

## Vacancy - Ashill CAP Job Club Manager - Voluntary Post

Are you?

- experienced in reaching out to individuals, sharing the Christian faith and discipling them? An evangelist through and through?
- happy to share CAP's ethos (Christians Against Poverty)
- an experienced informal 'teacher'?
- available one day a week on a regular basis?
- experienced managing a team?
- a great lone and team worker?
- experienced working with a wide variety of people?
- a good administrator, with excellent verbal and written communication skills?
- good with IT and confident using Word, Excel, the internet and e-mail?

If this sounds like you please ask Heather Nunn ([mercy@folchurch.co.uk](mailto:mercy@folchurch.co.uk) or 07979 264047) for more information.

*Heather Nunn*

# folOVERSEAS

## Mozambique

It was such a blessing to see you all in November, it seems like so long ago now. As some of you may have heard my trip back to Pemba was delayed twice over the last few months. I have had two surgeries, one to remove my tonsils and one to remove my appendix. Both of these left me feeling a bit battered and bruised so thank you for all those who have been covering me in prayer over this season.

I am looking ahead to Pemba and looking forward to that moment when I finally feel that red dirt soil between my toes. Obviously these health issues have caused other issues, so I would love prayers for His hand over many areas as I recover and rest up before returning home. Miracles are needed!

Once again thank you for being such a wonderful family during this time. I love being part of the Fountain and it's such an honour to call it my spiritual home and family.

Lots of love and prayers,

*Ruth Alexander*



## Emergency Prayer Team

Thank you to all the wonderful pray-ers who pray wherever they are when an urgent request for prayer comes in. We hear of some truly miraculous outcomes that prove what a great God we have and why we should petition Him, so please let us know what happens following a prayer request.

*Joy Fernando*

## Thefford Foodbank

The Watton distribution point for Foodbank has had to move at short notice. If you drop food off directly there you now need to go to Watton Christian Community Centre, 57 High Street when Foodbank is open - 3.00 to 4.30pm on Mondays and Thursdays.

Otherwise, please continue to bring your non-perishable donations to add to the plastic box in the foyer.

If you know of anyone who is struggling to put food on the table we are able to issue Foodbank vouchers. Please contact Heather Nunn ([mercy@folchurch.co.uk](mailto:mercy@folchurch.co.uk) or 07979 264047)

## CAP Money Course

Colette and Julia are planning to run an evening CAP Money Course very soon.

This course teaches budgeting skills over three weeks in a comfortable environment with full support to help you manage your money better. The Course is free and open to anyone - so please speak to any friends who might be interested. Contact Heather ([mercy@folchurch.co.uk](mailto:mercy@folchurch.co.uk), 07979 264047) to be added to the list and notified as soon as we have dates and times.

## Mid Norfolk CAP Debt Centre

We are very pleased that we now have enough funding in place to enable us to launch Mid Norfolk CAP Debt Centre. Meanwhile fundraising will continue to ensure the sustainability of this project.

By the time you are reading this we expect that John Graver will have successfully completed his training as Debt Centre Manager and will be beginning to make contact with church leaders and relevant organisations prior to the launch.

The official launch service is planned for our 10am morning service on Sunday 27th April 2014.

## Ashill CAP Job Club

Ashill CAP Job Club will now have a break until later in the Spring as we seek a new Job Club Manager. Meanwhile we would love to talk to people interested in attending the Club via the Job Club phone 07852 183205. Job Club Coach, Joy, will be delighted to answer all enquiries during this time about the Course, Community and Coaching aspects of CAP Job Club.

Please help by praying for God's will for the future of the Job Club.

*Heather Nunn*

**Mercy**  
The Lord is full of compassion and mercy  
James 5:11

# folCALENDAR

## March 2014 Sunday Worship

- 2<sup>nd</sup> 10.00 Holy Communion: *Exodus 24: 12-end ; Psalm 2. ; 2 Peter 1: 16-end; Matthew 17: 1-9*  
18.00 2 Samuel 12:26-14:33
- 9<sup>th</sup> 10.00 Service of the Word: *Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7; Psalm 32; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11*  
18.00 Feed the Soul: 2 Samuel 15:1-18:18
- 16<sup>th</sup> 10.00 Holy Communion: *Genesis 12:1-49; Psalm 121; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17*  
18.00 Feed the Soul: 2 Samuel 18:19-20:26
- 23<sup>rd</sup> 10.00 Service of the Word: *Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42*  
18.00 Feed the Soul: 2 Samuel 21:1-22:51
- 30<sup>th</sup> 10.00 Holy Communion: Mother's Day  
18.00 Feed the Soul: 2 Samuel 23:1-24:25

## March 2014 Events

- 1<sup>st</sup> 10.00 Kidz Klub Ashill
- 3<sup>rd</sup> 19.00 Worship Central Course
- 4<sup>th</sup> 18.00 WTC Training
- 5<sup>th</sup> 14.00 Digging Deeper  
19.30 Digging Deeper
- 7<sup>th</sup> 18.30 Elevate Scarning  
18.30 Thirst Scarning  
19.00 Worship Team Meeting
- 9<sup>th</sup> 14.30 Good Companions  
15.00 Refresh (29 Welden Road)
- 10<sup>th</sup> 18.00 Worship Central Course
- 11<sup>th</sup> 18.00 WTC Training
- 12<sup>th</sup> 14.00 Digging Deeper  
19.30 Digging Deeper
- 13<sup>th</sup> 19.30 Newcomers Supper
- 14<sup>th</sup> 09.00 Bezalel  
18.30 Thirst Ashill
- 15<sup>th</sup> 10.00 Kidz Klub Scarning (Scarning School)
- 17<sup>st</sup> 19.00 Worship Central Course
- 18<sup>th</sup> 18.00 WTC Training
- 19<sup>th</sup> 14.00 Digging Deeper  
19.30 Digging Deeper
- 21<sup>st</sup> 19.00 Awaken  
19.00 Encounter (The Stables)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> 10.00 New Wine Kids Workers Training Day
- 26<sup>th</sup> 14.00 Digging Deeper  
19.30 Digging Deeper
- 28<sup>th</sup> 09.00 Bezalel

### LOOKING AHEAD

6<sup>th</sup> April AGM  
18<sup>th</sup> April Good Friday Service  
20<sup>th</sup> April Sunrise Service (Houghton on the Hill)  
17<sup>th</sup> May New Wine Worship Leaders Training Day  
23<sup>rd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> May Intents

To request prayer for an emergency or  
pressing need  
phone, text or e-mail:  
**07905 039201**  
or  
**joy.fernando@live.co.uk**

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

Noah's Ark Parent and pre school gathering - 10am every Thursday in the bungalow term time.

Jam Youth Band 18.30-20.00 every Thursday term time

All activities are at The Well unless stated

### DEADLINE FOR folNEWS APRIL 2014

The deadline for submitting news articles and testimonies for the April 2014 edition of folNEWS is Friday 14th March. Please submit articles to [admin@folchurch.co.uk](mailto: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 folNEWS has been printed. Where possible, **please try to keep articles to 250 words** or less.