

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.

John Watts heads up the worship team.

David Blane leads the administration team.

Neil Richardson is the Finance Manager.

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

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 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 to those in need and organises CAP money management courses.

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*

NOVEMBER 2012

Dear Friends,

We recently attended a wedding which was held in the most dramatic and scenic of locations, on the coastline of North Devon. Neither of the couple was a practising Christian and somehow the proceedings seemed empty as a result. Perhaps it was the setting, which was smaller than we are used to; perhaps it was the words used which seemed to be more a celebration of romantic love than agape; perhaps it's because we are used to weddings where the love of God is being celebrated as much as the love between the individuals concerned.



But above all it seemed to be the exclusion of God from the proceedings which created an atmosphere empty of the presence of God. It must be something of that emptiness that the wife of Phinehas felt when she exclaimed: 'The Glory has departed from Israel' (1 Samuel 4:21); or the exiles felt when they sat and wept by the rivers of Babylon (Psalm 137:1). The presence of God has always been the distinguishing mark of God's people from Adam and Eve in the garden; through Moses (Exodus 33:16) and Gideon (Judges 6:16); Solomon and David (Psalm 23).

Of course, as followers of Jesus you and I are now carriers of the presence of God. The challenge to us is to change the atmosphere through the power of the Holy Spirit at work in us and through us. Most of us would agree that we would love to see more of the presence and power of God at work in our midst. Ultimately, without the presence of God, the engine-room of the Kingdom grounds to a halt.

Isaiah's prayer: 'Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down' (Isaiah 64:1) has in one sense been answered by God in the coming of Jesus; and then again in the sending of the Holy Spirit in power. However, it is a perennial prayer, one to be prayed with passion and persistence: that God would be God, open up the heavens and send the fire.

The nation is ripe for the taking. We are very hungry and very thirsty for Him to come. It feels a strategic time; at times a battle zone but there is only one victor. His name is Jesus. Let us pray even more fervently for revival and renewal as we approach the celebration of the first coming of Jesus. In particular, this Advent, we shall be encouraging fasting and prayer on Wednesdays, starting December 5th.

In the meantime, the promise of Jesus remains: 'And lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.' (Matthew 28:20).

With love

Stephen & Pippa

PROPHETIC MINISTRY

Building up the Body of Christ (Ephesians 4:12)

Now you are the Body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it 1 Corinthians 12:27

A fantastic fact - as a believing child of God you have become part of the body of Christ, the church 'universal', and by being part of the larger church of Christ you are full of potential to build up the local church. The Holy Spirit has been sent from our Father God to allow the church to be built up and to minister into the hurting world (John 14:16).

Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. Romans 12:4-6a

No believer is excluded from God's grace in giving his spiritual gifts (Romans 12:6). It doesn't matter what your background, age, physical appearance or past disappointments is, or whatever you may be going through in your stage of life. Through faith and the work of the Holy Spirit, different gifts, talents and ministries are being released, whether they are visible and 'upfront' or quietly supportive ministries that help the local church to function in practical ways.

If you want to explore what you feel the Holy Spirit may be prompting you to do in the church body, especially here at the Fountain of Life, please speak to a church leader or trusted Christian friend; join a home group if you are not already in one, and find ways to encourage others in their gifts. Be prepared to step out in faith by seeking out and using your God-given gifts and talents. The body of Christ is strengthened by you as a unique individual being built into it. God is faithful to those who are faithful! (Psalm 18:25a)

Rosie Smith

INSPIRE A GENERATION FOR GOD

Few will forget this summer and all the excitement of the Olympic Games. I think the one thing that will stay in my memory was the Olympic slogan: *Inspire a generation*.

It's a great slogan but not the first time it's been used. In Psalm 145:4, David tells us that, 'One generation will tell its children of God's mighty deeds' and in Psalm 78:4, 'We will not hide the truths from our children; we will tell the next generation.' It's our responsibility to tell the next generation to set their hopes on God.

Of course, the Olympic organisers hope to inspire a generation to take part in more sports, which is great, but we should have an even greater desire to inspire a generation for God. The thought of doing this really excites me and if you share that excitement, then pray about it, and if after you have prayed you are still excited, then come and see me. You may want to be part of the Kings Club team or another children's ministry within the church. If you do, come and have a chat.

Andrea Jolly

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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NEWS FROM IRIS MINISTRIES



RUTH ALEXANDER IN MOZAMBIQUE



We have moved into the new baby house and we have our first new little one! Her name is Margarida and she is fabulous! The first day we got her she was dehydrated and very weak. However, just over 24 hours went by and she was sitting up and playing with the others, feeding herself and there were no tears. She is simply amazing and is settling in well.

This last month I opened the Barraca for bible study and two girls showed up. One I know well, she was a prostitute that still gets drunk and hangs out with the wrong crowd. The other is very pure and innocent, has money and a beautiful six-year-old son. I just had to laugh as I had these two very

different girls sitting in front of me. But God made it work. The one who is very 'well to do' came with lots of questions, which we had fun answering. Then the girl who used to sell herself for £7 a night was laughing and jumping around as she helped me with a drama. The girls were not intimidated by each other. We were just family together studying the Word of God, knowing that God loves us all the same.

As I am coming into this new season with the Barraca and the baby house, prayers would be very welcomed! Please do also email me if you have any news, testimonies or prayer requests. I love staying in touch with everyone!

Ruth

BRIDGET CARROLL IN SOUTH AMERICA

Bridget has lots of exciting news in her blog. Here's the most recent message from her and her blog address:

As you'll be able to tell from my latest blog, I've had a contemplative month as I've processed much - but I know I am a stronger person for having been on this journey. I hope you can share with me in my learning.

<http://rejoicinginhope1212.blogspot.com>

Much love and abundant blessings to you all.

Bridget



Please contact Becky Russell at danandbeckyrussell@btinternet.com if you would like a hard copy of the newsletters we receive from George and Corinne and feel able to pray for them. Due to the nature of the country they are working in, we are unable to post information on the website.

folHEADLINES

NEED TO TALK?

Did you know that Fountain of Life now 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 884704).

THE ALPHA COURSE is a wonderful foundation and introduction to the Christian faith as well as being a great place to make new friends. If you are interested in coming to our next course, please talk to Stephen or Pippa (01760 440 363).



Alpha

FURNACE

Furnace is a place where you can come and worship God however you like in a free environment. It is a place to come expecting to encounter God, because he always shows up. Whether you like to sing, dance, play an instrument, wave a flag or just lie on the floor to worship Him come along and do just that. Furnace is on every 3rd Sunday at 4pm. The next dates are November 18th and December 16th.

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

mercy@folchurch.co.uk

or

07979 264 047

Heather Nunn, Emergency Prayer Chain Co-ordinator

PRISONS WEEK: NOVEMBER 18TH-24TH

HMP Wayland was chosen for a *Songs of Praise* programme which will be broadcast on Sunday 18th November. Please do make a note of this and be sure to watch as you will see several familiar faces!

Prisons Week is a good time to remember and pray for those in prison, victims of crime and the different agencies that seek to help in these situations. A significant number of Fountain of Life members are involved in HMP Wayland as staff, volunteers with Prison Fellowship and the essential backup of prayer, providing help, encouragement and hope.

Prison Fellowship (www.prisonfellowship.org.uk) is an excellent organisation, and members of the local group are always glad to give information on how you can be involved. Training is given and there are many different ways in which we can serve. A particular need is for worship leaders or anyone able to play a musical instrument for the Sunday morning services. Please see Lorraine Parker or Annabel Valentine if you would like to know more about any aspect of this much-needed ministry.

BOOKINGS

All bookings for the Worship Centre can be made through David Blane admin@folchurch.co.uk 07990 543 131 or 01760 441 902.

folCALENDAR

NOVEMBER

Sunday Worship

- 4th 10.00 All-age: *Deuteronomy 6:1-9; Psalm 119:1-8; Hebrews 9:11-14; Mark 12:28-34.*
11th 10.00 Holy Communion: *Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 62:5-end; Hebrews 9:24-end; Mark 1:14-20.*
18.00 Feed the Soul: Taking Back Sunday
18th 10.00 Service of the Word: *Daniel 12:1-3; Psalm 16; Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25; Mark 13:1-8.*
16.00 Furnace
18.00 Feed the Soul: Song of Songs 1:1-2:7
25th 10.00 Holy Communion: *Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 93; Revelation 1:4b-8; John 18:33-37.*
18.00 Feed the Soul: Song of Songs 2:8-3:5

Events (all activities at The Well unless stated)

- 1st 18.00 Film Night
2nd 19.00 Youth Discipleship (location: see folyouth.co.uk)
3rd 10.00 Kidz Klub, Ashill
11.00 Confirmations (Norwich Cathedral)
6th 18.00 NWTP
19.00 Alpha 7 (43 Cressingham Road)
9th 09.00 Bezalel
18.30 ID
10th 10.00 Alpha Holy Spirit Day
CVM Regional Day
11th 14.00 Good Companions
13th 18.00 NWTP
19.00 Alpha 8 (43 Cressingham Road)
16th 19.00 Youth Discipleship (location: see folyouth.co.uk)
19.00 Awaken
17th 10.00 Kidz Klub, Scarning
20th 18.00 NWTP
19.00 Alpha 9 (43 Cressingham Road)
23rd 09.00 Bezalel
24th 10.00 Digging Deeper (John Wright: 'Personal evangelism')

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).

LOOKING AHEAD

23rd December	Carol service
25th December	Christmas Day service
31st December	New Years Eve party!
1st January 2013	New Year's Day walk

DEADLINE FOR folNEWS DECEMBER 2012

The deadline for submitting news articles and testimonies for the December 2012 edition of folNEWS is Tuesday 20th November. 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 folNEWS has been printed. Where possible, **please try to keep articles to 250 words** or less.