

## WHO'S WHO?

**Stephen and Pippa Mawditt:** Stephen leads the Fountain of Life Network Church supported by his wife Pippa, who is on the leadership team.

**Madeline Light** leads the Fountain of Life congregation in Norwich based at St Stephen's Church.

**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.

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

**Maryanne Richardson** leads Kids 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 one of our Youth Workers and oversees our graphic design and multi-media functions.

**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** is 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.

**Julia Seaman** watches over the prophetic ministry.

**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.

# folNEWS

News from the *Fountain of Life Network*

SEPTEMBER 2011

*Dear Friends,*

God has not forgotten Norfolk. Much excitement and anticipation has been generated recently by prophecies of revival fire over the city of Norwich, not least during the recent conference with Dutch Sheets hosted in the city. Nor has God been silent here, speaking some significant words which are set out elsewhere in this edition of *folNEWS*.



Our vision to establish a Network which enables churches particularly across the historic denominations to work in partnership is gathering favour. We are making some big asks: a new reformation of the Church of England; the revival fires of John Wesley to be reignited; the spiritual heritage of previous revivals to be released and the wells re-dug. It would be great if you can come on Saturday October 8<sup>th</sup> (8.30-11am), which will be an opportunity to talk about this further together ... breakfast included! In the meantime, listen to the CD of the morning sermon from 24<sup>th</sup> July for background information. However it happens, advancement of the Kingdom of God does not come without cost. We have just come back from New Wine, during which Andy Hawthorne (of *The Message Tribe*) was speaking on Nehemiah, making four helpful points:

**Opposition is inevitable:** Not a very encouraging first point! But, it's in our history and in some way the reality is that it's likely to be in our future. Advancement of the Kingdom always produces conflict in one form or another. Sorry!

**Unity is indispensable:** Any movement of God needs the gathering pace of momentum, which comes from those who catch the vision and are mobilised to run with the fire. Partnering across vision and values rather than denominations and streams is always on God's agenda when true revival occurs.

**Sacrifice is inescapable:** It is always a costly affair to see the Kingdom grow. This church is founded and sustained through costly, sacrificial giving - finance, time, gifting, energy. Be prepared!

**Reward is indescribable:** The prize is the Kingdom. The goal is transformation of church and culture. Gavin Calver (of *Youth for Christ*) speaks about the 'tipping point' in schools being 15%. In other words, reach 15% of children with the Gospel and the culture of the school begins to be invaded by the values incarnated by Jesus. One or two of the schools in which *Kidz Klub* works are at that point. Start imagining what it will look like for businesses, schools, colleges, the media to reach that 'tipping point'.

We have the *New Wine Training Partnership* in place to train leaders for life - next year in only our second year we'll have at least 14 students investing in Kingdom theology. What will it look like by 2015? There is incredible fruit within reach and it is on relatively low-growing branches. Let us press on this autumn with renewed hope, vigour and determination.

With love and prayers

*Stephen & Pippa Mawditt*

## FOL 20S/30S WEEKEND RETREAT

This summer saw the first ever retreat at *Fountain of Life* for people in their 20s and 30s, consisting of camping at a farm near Mattishall and a balance of social and worship/teaching time. The purpose of the weekend was to get to know one another and God better. In the evenings, we worshipped (led by James Currey and a band consisting of people from Mattishall All Saints and Derby City Church) and enjoyed teaching from a fantastic preacher from Revelation Church in Chichester (Home of 24/7 prayer). During the daytime we held various activities, including a river trip, photography workshop, walks, prophetic workshop, Taizé-style worship (to kick the day off) and guided prayer by candlelight in an Iron Age round house!

Forty-two people booked in and others came for bits of it, which is a massive encouragement as this generation is not only the least represented of any age-group in the Western church but is notoriously difficult to mobilise. It was particularly good to see other churches getting on board too. We had small groups from at least six different churches over the course of the weekend. The weekend was also a great

time of renewing, and in some cases was a powerful opportunity to experience moving in the Holy Spirit for the first time. We experienced how willing God is to pour out His Spirit on those who are willing to receive, and in so many different ways: whether it be in the loudness of worship or the silence of prayerful reflection. The response so far has been really encouraging and we're already looking at preliminary dates for next year. So keep in touch!

Personally, I would love to say a big thank you to everyone who contributed to the weekend, putting together seminars, workshops, music or decoration; and also how wonderful it was to spend a time in the sun with my friends. If you would like to get involved in the Young Adults ministry at *Fountain of Life*, or have a social/fun group that would like to connect to a wider community, then please drop me an email ([a.jackson@folchurch.co.uk](mailto:a.jackson@folchurch.co.uk)).

*Adam Jackson*

### 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.



## PRAYING IN GOD'S KINGDOM

Many of us have good memories of Pastor John Mulinde from Uganda, whose calling is to stir up the church to pray as never before. He leads *World Trumpet Mission* and has produced an excellent workbook entitled *Awakening the Church*, which deals with such critical topics as the state of the world and the response of the church and addresses the question, 'What must we do to do the works God requires?'

Following the workbook would involve a regular commitment of at least an hour of study at home, listening to a weekly audio visual talk and joining a small group to share insights and pray together. What a difference this could make to us personally and the world we live in! If you would like to find out more, please contact Annabel Valentine.

### THE MEANING OF LIFE IS ... ?

**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 (starting Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September), please talk to Stephen or Pippa (01760 440 363).



## SPAIN CALLING?

'How about going to Nerja?' our friend asked. And so it was that in 1997 we first visited the town of Nerja in southern Spain, about fifty kilometres east of the beautiful port city of Malaga.

Nerja, once a small and undeveloped fishing village, is now a thriving town whose main income is tourism, although the catch of fish is still excellent! During our first visit, we were introduced to the Anglican church congregation by a friend who had retired there. We went to a church beach barbecue and are still friends with several of those people we met on that occasion.

Over the years, this group of Christians has become part of an independent fellowship under the umbrella of a church in Southampton. We support this small group in leading worship, providing music, preaching, and sound/PA input and training, as well as going to other groups in the area (which means travelling fair distances, east and west of Nerja). We have got to know these friends well and have opportunities to talk and pray with them.

Spain is a huge country, with little evangelical Christian witness. There are many expats who retire to Spain expecting a wonderful, relaxing retirement and become disappointed. The language can be a barrier or they miss England, but many have no way of returning to the UK and become disillusioned and depressed. This is a great mission field. Many of these people have attended church in the past but now consider church to have failed them.

We have met many English as well as other Europeans, who fit this category, and during this last year have become closely involved in an exciting *Discipleship Group*! It is led by a retired pastor and his wife, from

Lancaster. We provide the music and words for worship, as well as supporting the discussion, study of God's word and good food to eat at the end of our sessions!

A gentleman in his mid-seventies told us, 'I have been to church all my life but I am only beginning to understand what it all means. Please don't stop running this group!' We started with six and have grown to fourteen in nine months - people are spiritually hungry for God. One of the realities of retirement is that it forces one to face one's own mortality, which in turn often leads to questions about God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit and eternity. This group provides a place where these questions can be asked and answered according to God's word.

Before we went to Spain earlier this year, you prayed for us. Thank you! It made a big difference. We still met difficulties and battles but we had a strong sense of being under the umbrella of a faith-filled group of people, and God's presence and help was a wonderful reality. We return for seven weeks at the end of August and would be so grateful for your prayers again. When Katherine Ruonala prayed for us in June, we each had some special words given to us. We ourselves are praying that by His Holy Spirit, God will help us to realise and fulfil those words, according to His perfect purposes for us and those we meet, for the glory of Jesus.

*Barbara and Lionel Scott*

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

**07979 264 047**

Heather Nunn, Emergency Prayer Chain Co-ordinator

## WAYLAND CARERS SOCIAL GROUP

From September, meetings and outings of the group will take place on the third Wednesday of the month. The next outing is on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September, to Taverham Garden Centre. Susan Walker will drive the minibus, leaving The Well at 1.30pm. If you are a Carer, or know someone who is, and would enjoy having a social break each month, please talk to Susan Walker (01760 440 720) or Jean Watson (01953 881 842).

### Upcoming dates

19<sup>th</sup> October - Lunch at Jean Watson's house

16<sup>th</sup> November - Lunch at McTaggarts

December - Christmas party (TBC)

## PROPHETIC WORDS FOR FoL

Over the past few weeks, at significant and strategic times, people have spoken out specific insights that we believe have come from God. On the night of 24<sup>th</sup> April, just before Stephen and Pippa left for America, Heather had a very vivid dream. She wrote:

'I was shown an aeroplane in the sky, which was easily recognisable as an aeroplane but was at the same time very futuristic and made of equal-sized square and triangular sections. I was told that the plane was American and that its name was *Vanguard*. As I watched it, the shaped of the plane changed into a whirling circle as it landed vertically and unpacked itself in just ten minutes into a waiting truck, in its previously seen sections. I don't understand the meaning of the dream but I know that it is important.'

Definitions of Vanguard: The position of greatest advancement; the leading position in any movement or field, artists or writers whose ideas are ahead of their time.

Then, on the 7<sup>th</sup> July (the day of Stephen's meeting with the Bishop to discuss the Network), Andrea wrote:

'I saw a corridor of light that covered the English channel and the coast line from Norfolk down to Cornwall, as well as the opposite coast line of France and northern Europe. There was a plane above it dropping bombs and I could see four explosions on the ground. One was in Norfolk, another around the Devon area and a couple around the London area. The same was happening on the other side of the channel. These were not bombs of destruction but of transformation, explosions of the Holy Spirit and the fallout from it was amazing.'

On the 12<sup>th</sup> July, Libby saw a picture of two hand-held fishing nets with silver fish, then fish of other colours, along with the word 'Cast your nets deep and wide.'

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> July, Andrea was given another picture:

'There were many small rescue boats, the water was very still, there was a fog that hovered over the sea and circled around the boats. The fog didn't seem to stop the boats moving forward toward their goal; some of the boats were visible and some you couldn't see because of the fog, but I was aware that they were there. I then had a passage from Joel (2:26-end), which is an encouragement of God's provision for us, both physically and spiritually.'

During the night of 30<sup>th</sup> July, Pippa had a dream which she describes as follows:

'I was sitting on a sofa at the back of a large meeting place, with others who I knew but could not name. Stephen was speaking some way in the distance. Then three different people asked questions and someone else who I didn't know got up to answer them. The person next to me said: "It sounds like what is happening in Norfolk." The following day, Stephen was due to speak to some of the *New Wine* leadership team at Newark about the Network. I had a sense that what was declared was already happening.'

Such a cluster of prophecies does suggest the time is now for the launch of the Network. Remember, we always had the vision for being a church that would be instrumental in renewing the historic church. Some of you may remember years ago Cleone's (Jarvis) picture of a train (representing the historic church) towed by an engine (which had our name on it). My idea was always limited to renewing the Church of England but I think God has much bigger ideas.

*Julia Seaman*

# fo/CALENDAR

## SEPTEMBER

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

4 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	Service of the Word: <i>Exodus 12:1-14; Psalm 149; Romans 13:8-end; Matthew 18:15-20</i>
	16.00	Norwich: '4 o'clock Gathering'
11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	Holy Communion: <i>Exodus 14:29-end; Psalm 114; Exodus 15:1b-11,20, 21; Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18:21-35</i>
	16.00	Norwich: '4 o'clock Gathering'
	18.00	Feed the Soul: 'The Arrival' ( <i>Matthew 1:1-2:23</i> )
18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	Service of the Word: <i>Exodus 16:2-15; Psalm 105:1-6, 37-end; Philippians 1:21-end; Matthew 20:1-16</i>
	16.00	Norwich: '4 o'clock Gathering'
	18.00	Feed the Soul: 'The Announcement' ( <i>Matthew 3:1-4:25</i> )
25 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	Service of the Word: <i>Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16; Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32</i>
	16.00	Norwich: '4 o'clock Gathering'
	16.00	Feed the Soul: 'The Values' ( <i>Matthew 5:1-7:29</i> )

### EVENTS (all activities at The Well unless stated)

9 <sup>th</sup>	09.00	Bezalel
	18.30	ID+ (Years 6-8)
10 <sup>th</sup>	10.10	Kidz Klub, Ashill
11 <sup>th</sup>	14.30	Good Companions
14 <sup>th</sup>	14.00	CAP Course
16 <sup>th</sup>	19.00	Youth Discipleship (location: see fo/YOUTH)
	19.00	Awaken
17 <sup>th</sup>	10.10	Kidz Klub, Scarning
20 <sup>th</sup>	18.00	NWTP
21 <sup>st</sup>	14.00	CAP Course
	19.00	Alpha 1 (location: Watton)
23 <sup>rd</sup>	09.00	Bezalel
24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	Digging Deeper
	19.00	Intents Revisited
27 <sup>th</sup>	18.00	NWTP
28 <sup>th</sup>	14.00	CAP Course
	19.00	Alpha 2 (location: Watton)
30 <sup>th</sup>	09.00	Bezalel

### LOOKING AHEAD

1<sup>st</sup> October (11am) - Paul's ordination (Norwich cathedral), followed by Paul's ordination party  
8<sup>th</sup> October (2pm) - Musical Keys film afternoon  
20<sup>th</sup> October (7.30pm) - Home Group leaders meeting  
22<sup>nd</sup> October (10am) - Ladies Gathering  
29<sup>th</sup> October (10am) - Digging Deeper  
29<sup>th</sup> October (7pm) - Intents Revisited  
5<sup>th</sup> November (11am) - Confirmation service (Norwich cathedral)

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).

**Bookings:** All bookings for the Worship Centre can be made through Rebecca Watts [admin@folchurch.co.uk](mailto:admin@folchurch.co.uk) 07990 543 131 or 01760 441 902.

### DEADLINE FOR fo/NEWS OCT 2011

The deadline for submitting news articles and testimonies for the October 2011 edition of fo/NEWS is Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September. 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 fo/NEWS has been printed. Where possible, please try to keep articles to 250 words or less.