

## 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 and Colette Wilkinson** Paul is our Assistant Minister. Colette serves as the named person for child and vulnerable adult protection.

**Wendy Sargeant** serves on the leadership team as Licensed Lay Minister 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 and oversees the New Wine Discipleship Year

**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.

**Matt Beckett** is our Youth and Kidz Klub worker.

**Eleanor Alexander** is our Assistant Youth Worker

**Andrea Jolly** is our Family and Children's worker. Andrea runs First Steps, a Christian pre-school.

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

**Freddy Hedley** is our Training Director

**Andrew and Julia Rees** head up evangelism.

**Heather Nunn** oversees our Mercy ministry, which includes our work with CAP.

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

**Joy Fernando** coordinates our pastoral visiting team

**Fred Edwards** is our Site Warden.

# folNEWS

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News from the *Fountain of Life*

*Dear Friends,*

When you go on a journey you often find signposts along your route that indicate when you're approaching a junction. On major roads the signposts increase in frequency the closer you get to the next turn. The people who look after our highways put the signs there because they don't want us to miss the junctions. Junctions are important on every journey because they tell us where we are and indicate how far it will be to the next turning point. So have you seen any signs recently and if you have did you notice that they seem to be increasing?



ONE WAY

Recently, while I was looking at the calendar of activities that we had organised between the beginning of April and the end of May, I found myself marvelling at the number of events that were coming towards us. I thought - "something is about to change." It's no secret that I have felt that we have been heading towards revival for some time but there is a definite sense of momentum about the things that God is doing now. I've noticed a new energy, heard people speaking more boldly, walking in greater authority, praying more fervently and there is an increased sense of anticipation in the atmosphere that's exciting. It seems that God has started another outpouring of his Holy Spirit and I pray that He does it in greater measure than we have yet known. Spring may seem like an odd time for a harvest but the fields in God's Kingdom are always ripe and we must be ready to wield the scythe whenever He calls us to.

I was reminded recently that in March 2013 I was given a word for our Church that God was about to shake the heavens and the earth once more,

*'This is what the Lord Almighty says: "In a little while I will once more shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land. I will shake all nations, and what is desired by all nations will come, and I will fill this house with glory," says the Lord Almighty.'* (Haggai 2:6-7)

Just a short time ago we heard Brynn Shamp speak similar words over our congregation and then we were 'shaken' as Charlie Shamp ministered to us in the power of the Holy Spirit. Roy Godwin spoke passionately about the things that God is doing and told us that we need to "Wake Up!" Danny Doran-Smith spoke a word from God that we need to "double everything."

We can declare that we have turned the corner and we are living in revival! Now is the time to go and tell our friends and neighbours, the people we work with, those we rub shoulders with and even those we don't know yet that God is on the move and that they need to come to him. Now is the time to minister to them wherever they might be knowing that God will save, restore, heal, release and bring the lost into His family.

*"I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest."* (John 4:35)

With every blessing,

*Paul Wilkinson*

## Seas of Crimson

*Seas of Crimson* from the Bethel worship team is a song that we've been introducing as we turn our attention to Easter. It fits the style of a number of modern hymn-esque songs that we tend to sing around this time of year, songs such as *Jesus Paid It All* and *O To See The Dawn*, which do a great job of maintaining a sense of tradition, of joining the thread of Easter celebration that has run through church history, while giving us a fresh way to express our worship at what is arguably the most significant time in the church calendar. While we never want to get stuck in tradition for tradition's sake, I believe that keeping a link to the past in worship is a great way of making sure we're tied into the wider story of the church - we should always be learning and taking the best from our heritage rather than running away from it.

*Seas of Crimson* in particular is an Easter Day song. It's not a sombre reflection on Calvary, this is a resurrection song. This is triumph. The verses speak of all that Jesus achieved by going through with the cross, emphasising the all-encompassing nature of His victory: "For every curse, you're the cure/ For every sickness, you're the healer". The great thing about the song though is that it's not an invitation for us to dwell on all the benefits that we're to receive, this is a song that insists upon Jesus taking all the glory with a simple chorus that reaches its climax with a declaration of "All to You the highest praise". Rightly so, *Seas of Crimson* is a song that recognizes the Giver above the gift. Easter should be a season of gratitude, of celebrating that what we couldn't do for ourselves has been done for us. And if worship is an expression of gratitude, I think we have an awful lot to be singing about.



*Seas of Crimson* can be found on "We Will Not Be Shaken" - Bethel Music (2015)

*Phil Starling*

## Job Vacancy - Kidz Klub Worker (20 hours)

You will be part of a very busy team working in schools and communities, as well as being part of pioneering new projects like CAP Money Kids and Missional Communities.

Please contact Maryanne Richardson or [kidzklub@folchurch.co.uk](mailto:kidzklub@folchurch.co.uk) for more information. Closing date Friday 22nd May.

*The Kidz Klub Team*

### 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

## The Gospel on the Radio

First Sunday | 8:30am - 9am | Radio Norfolk 95.1FM

Many of you will know that since January 2014 I have had a regular slot on BBC Radio Norfolk in my capacity as Sunday Breakfast Creative Writer in Residence. Each month I tell a story and am then interviewed about it. This is a precious opportunity to preach the gospel in story form, and to be able to discuss some of the questions that arise from them. Here is part of the interview from that very first broadcast, which helps explain what I am aiming to do.

**Interviewer** *When we're talking about re-working Bible stories, what is the benefit of doing that? There are some people who would say you shouldn't be messing about with them in the first place.*

**Jane** *For a start, I'm not trying to improve on the Bible. The words are eternal and everlasting and I'm not going to improve on its message but when the Bible was written it was relevant to its hearers. So when Jesus told his stories the audiences got it. He was using similes and parallels with ordinary life and the audience connected with it. We can't have the Bible as something of a museum piece, where the stories somehow become hidden. You know, the meaning should be clear but because it's couched in the relevance of that time and not our own time, sometimes the message can be lost. All I want to do is to open up that same message to a modern audience, so they can go "Oh, I get it".*

Last year I wrote a series of re-workings of the parables of Jesus; this year I am doing a series on "minor" characters in the Bible, whose contribution to the story is vital but we may not even know their name. So far I have featured the woman who touched the hem of Jesus' garment, the widow who gave the two mites and the servant whose ear was cut off during Jesus' arrest.

Please tune in on the first Sunday of the month between 0830 and 0900 on 95.1FM. There is a "listen again" facility on the webpage if you miss it ([www.bbc.co.uk/radionorfolk](http://www.bbc.co.uk/radionorfolk)). Alternatively, I can send you a link via email if you ask me.

*Jane Clamp*

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## Alpha

Tue 5 May | 7pm - 9:30pm | 7 Acacia Avenue

Alpha is a chance to explore and question the meaning of life. Over a series of about ten sessions, you'll find out about the basics of the Christian faith. Each session involves dinner, a main talk and some time to say what you think. It's fun, relaxed and free, and you can ask anything you like (that's why over 22.5 million people worldwide have already tried Alpha.)

Our next Alpha course will be running in Ashill and starts on Tuesday 5th May. The course is being hosted by Fred and Carol at 7 Acacia Avenue, Ashill, Thetford, Norfolk, IP25 7AR. Contact Fred and Carol on [carol.edwards1122@btinternet.com](mailto:carol.edwards1122@btinternet.com) or 01760 440105 for more information or to book on.



*Stephen Mawditt*

# *fol*FAMILY



## **Kingdom Theology Day**

**Sat 9 May | 9.45am - 4pm | The Well**

We are really excited to be running a Kingdom Theology Day, in partnership with WTC and Digging Deeper, on Saturday 9th May 2015. Our speakers for the day are Matt Lynch and Freddy Hedley, who will explore the theme **Jesus in the Old Testament**. There will also be an opportunity to hear details about WTC, the hub and the courses we run, as well as meet some of the team.

This event is open to everyone and we look forward to welcoming people from across the region so that we can learn together and from one another. It promises to be an inspiring day, so book soon!

Tickets are £20 including a light lunch. Get booked on via the WTC website -

<http://www.wtctheology.org.uk/content/east-anglia-2015>

*Freddy Hedley*

## Local Houses of Prayer

**Training Day | Sat 9 May | 10am - 2pm**

**Follow-up Meeting | Mon 15 June | 7.30pm - 9.30pm**

We invite you to get connected and see lives being changed as we minister blessings over our communities!

God is moving so powerfully through the Local Houses of Prayer that are flowing from Ffald-y-Brenin and being established all over the UK and the Mediterranean.

At Call to Prayer we have been linked with Ffald-y-Brenin for many years now as one of their main training branches. We hold a training day each term, with a follow-up morning a few weeks later. Both of these meetings are held at the House of Prayer in Fishergate, Norwich, NR3 1SE.

This is a great opportunity for anyone who may like to find out more about LHOP as well as for those in existing LHOP to share testimonies and encourage each other. We will be showing Roy Godwin's inspiring new DVDs and giving clear teaching about blessing.

For further information please contact the local co-ordinator Rev'd Jenny Cooper at [lhop@call2prayer.co.uk](mailto:lhop@call2prayer.co.uk)

*Annabel Valentine*

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**Prayer**



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## Transforming the Atmosphere - Alistair Petrie

**Mon 18 May | 7:30pm | Alive Church, Cowgate**

**Wed 20 May | Meeting with leaders (details tbc) | Soul Church**

**Thu 21 May | 10am - 4pm | House of Prayer**

**Sun 24 May | 6.30pm | Norwich Cathedral**

Transforming the Atmosphere is a coming together of different prayer groups and intercessors from across the area who have a desire and longing for the atmosphere to change and for the Kingdom of God to break in.

These are times of joining the dots together, knowing that when we work in unity with each other, God commands the blessing.

Rev Dr Alistair Petrie has worked closely with George Otis Jnr. and has been involved in major spiritual transformations all over the world. He will be working with us over the next three years, helping us and preparing us for a move of God.

Alistair feels the Lord has put Norwich on his heart, and has had several confirmations of this from far afield. He believes "it is for such a time as this".

*Annabel Valentine*

## CAP Money Course

Get access to simple online tools to build your budget and learn a system that really works to manage your money - however much you do or don't have! The Course is *free*, open to anyone and is fun to do - no personal financial information has to be shared but, if needed, trained CAP Money Coaches are available for one to one help in confidence.

To book a place on our next course or find out more please e-mail [mercy@folchurch.co.uk](mailto:mercy@folchurch.co.uk) or telephone Heather 07979 264047. We can run this course in the community too, so let us know if you see an opportunity. Watch this space for the dates of our next CAP Money Course.



## Thetford Foodbank

Please continue to support the Foodbank by supplying food via the plastic box in the Church foyer. We are very thankful to receive your food donations.

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.



To request prayer for an **emergency** or **pressing need**

text                    **07905 039201**  
phone message   **01953 797012**  
email                   **[joy.fernando@live.co.uk](mailto:joy.fernando@live.co.uk)**

## CAP Debt Help

Christians Against Poverty gives free debt help to anyone. Thousands have already been given hope and a solution through our CAP Debt Centres. To contact our team for help, please phone

**0800 328 0006**

## Mid Norfolk CAP Debt Centre

After one year of hard work two days a week, we have blessed our Debt Centre manager, John Graver, on his way to run the Norwich CAP Debt Centre. John has been working with clients, finding people from local churches to support them through the process of becoming debt-free and meeting with relevant organisations, agencies and church leaders throughout Mid-Norfolk over the last year. He has done an incredible amount of work in a very short time and we give grateful thanks for his work with us.

The work with existing clients will continue while our New Debt Centre Manager, Heather Nunn, completes her training with CAP during May and July ready for the Centre to take in new clients again from August. Heather will be working two days a week in a voluntary capacity in this role.



### Voluntary Job Opportunity

We would still like to engage a voluntary Community Links Coordinator(s) to work to market the Centre, as this will help with time constraints. The Community Links Coordinator role is an official CAP role for which one day's training is required at CAP HQ in Bradford. Heather will be delighted to talk to you if you are interested in the role and a job description and person specification are available on request.

### Funding

Although funding for this project is secure for the next year we need to continue to achieve significant funding soon to ensure the Debt Centre's future; including finding funding for the manager role to be paid in due course, rather than voluntary. We cover a very large area and we would also like to take on a Debt Coach so that we can enable more people to access the service - but of course, whatever we do will cost more. The Centre has consistently been booked up three months ahead which is the maximum allowed by CAP, but this length of wait for people in difficult situations is often too long. The Management Group continue to look for more financial support from churches, either regular or one-off gifting, whilst applying for grant funding where we can.

### Prayer

Please continue to pray for this project and especially for Heather as she embarks on the training process and reorganising her working life to take on this role.

*Heather Nunn*

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

# folCALENDAR

## May 2015 Sunday Worship

- 3<sup>rd</sup> 10.00 Service of the Word: *Acts 8:26-end; Psalm 22:25-end; 1 John 4:7-end; John 15:1-8*  
18.00 Feed The Soul: *Revelation 4:1-5:14*
- 10<sup>th</sup> 10:00 Holy Communion: *Acts 10:44-end; Psalm 98; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17*  
18.00 Feed The Soul: *Revelation 6:1-7:17*
- 17<sup>th</sup> 10.00 Service of the Word: *Acts 1:15-17, 21-end; Psalm 1; 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19*  
18.00 Feed the Soul: *Revelation 8:1-9:21*
- 24<sup>th</sup> 10.00 Service of the Word: *Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:26-36, 37b; Romans 8:22-27; John 15:26-27*
- 31<sup>st</sup> 10.00 Holy Communion: *Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12-17; John 3:1-17*

## May 2015 Events

- 1<sup>st</sup> 19.00 Worship Team Meeting
- 2<sup>nd</sup> 10.00 Kidz Klub Wayland
- 5<sup>th</sup> 18.00 WTC Open Evening
- 6<sup>th</sup> 19.00 Deanery Synod
- 7<sup>th</sup> 19.00 Marriage Course
- 8<sup>th</sup> 09.00 Bezalel  
18.30 Thirst Ashill
- 9<sup>th</sup> 09:45 WTC Kingdom Theology Day
- 10<sup>th</sup> 14.30 Good Companions  
15.00 Refresh (28 Welden Road)
- 12<sup>th</sup> 18.00 WTC Training
- 13<sup>th</sup> 13:30 Digging Deeper  
19.30 Digging Deeper  
19.30 FOLtography
- 14<sup>th</sup> 19.00 Marriage Course
- 15<sup>th</sup> 19.00 Encounter  
19.00 Awaken
- 16<sup>th</sup> 10.00 Kidz Klub Scarning (Scarning School)  
10.00 New Wine Worship Training Day
- 19<sup>th</sup> 18.00 WTC Training
- 20<sup>th</sup> 13.30 Digging Deeper  
19.30 Digging Deeper
- 21<sup>st</sup> 19.00 Marriage Course
- 22<sup>nd</sup> 09.00 Bezalel
- 22<sup>nd</sup> -25<sup>th</sup> Intents
- 27<sup>th</sup> 13.30 Digging Deeper  
19.30 Digging Deeper
- 27<sup>th</sup> 19.30 Newcomer's Supper (43 Cressingham Road)
- 28<sup>th</sup> 19.00 Marriage Course
- 29<sup>th</sup> 09.00 Bezalel

### Newcomer's Supper

27 May 7.30pm | 43 Cressingham Road

An opportunity for those new to FOL to have supper together and learn more about the church. Contact Stephen & Pippa on 01760 440363 or email the-mawditts@tiscali.co.uk

Morning Prayers - 9am every weekday in the Stables

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

Noah's Ark Parents and Toddlers - 10am every Thursday in the bungalow term time.

All activities are at The Well unless otherwise stated

### Coming up

- 11th June - Leaders Lunch with Mark Bailey  
14th June - Watton Carnival  
24th June - Open Deanery Summit  
11th July - Fountain of Life Party  
25th - 31st July - New Wine  
10th - 14th August - Holiday Clubs

## DEADLINE FOR folNEWS JUNE 2015

The deadline for submitting news articles and testimonies for the June 2015 edition of folNEWS is Friday 15th May. 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 them even if folNEWS has been printed. Where possible, **please try to keep articles to 250 words** or less.