

ROUNDAABOUT



THE COTTERIDGE CHURCH Witnessing at the Heart of the Community

May 2012

From the Vestry



I have been reading my Bible! Daniel was a young man of ancient times who was totally committed to God. He had the courage of his conviction that it is only his God whom he would serve, no matter the consequences.

Thank God that at Cotteridge Church we have vibrant young people, who are following Christ. More often than not, young people's ministries are dying instead of flourishing within the Churches. They may be dying principally because of insufficient resources and inadequate attention given them, leaving young people struggling to find ways to have their voices heard and their contributions valued in the Church.

I believe that no matter what creed, colour or background, young people desire spiritual guidance, affirmation, and financial support. Sometimes they have a notion that something in the church and the world isn't right and desire that their voices be heard on a multitude of issues. They can offer solutions and broaden the dialogue. Consequently, I have been listening to the young people and what they have to say regarding their lives.

In a world where many young people are struggling with joblessness, low-paying jobs, struggling with educational debt, children, victimisation, abuse, they need to feel genuine acceptance from the Church. The Church in particular cannot afford to continue to overlook the problems facing the youth. We must focus our attention on this Y generation. If young Christians are to be effective, more resources must be provided, social problems must be addressed, and the church must be willing to create a space that is "safe" for community and strong dialogue on all issues.

If an issue affects young people then it must be up for discussion. We are in a culture that says that young people may be given less credibility in the church because they may have less money and have less tenure in the church.

May God bless all the, leaders, parents and young people who attend the various groups at Cotteridge Church.

Joycelyn

From the Editors' Desk



We're glad you've got your hands on a copy of Roundabout; due to increasing popular demand, we have, in turn, had to increase our print run.

We bring to you another bumper issue with 'food for thought' articles. Thanks, again, to all contributors, and, Dear Reader, if you haven't previously written for us, then please consider it.

We have an apology to make to Eira Hoadly, whose surname acquired an 'e' in the last issue; we can assure you, Eira, it won't happen again.

The next issue is out on Sunday 1 July; so, please let us have your items by 24 June at the latest. You can send your contributions by email to marfleetwright@tiscali.co.uk or pop them into the 'W' pigeonhole in the Pennine Way.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Steve & Caroline

Family & Friends

Best wishes to Janet Cliff, who turns 70 on 15 May.

Nice to see Crystal Cole back in Church and very much on the mend. She would like to thank everyone who prayed for her, she is sure it was definitely the answer to her recovery.

Congregational AGM

The Congregational AGM will take place on Wednesday 4th July this year. At the AGM it is important that the Church meets its legal requirements regarding denominational elections. This may not be the most exciting part of the meeting but is a necessary part of the work of the Church. There is also an opportunity to receive the annual accounts and report which are core to the work of the Church.

In addition this year we are using this meeting to give members of the congregation the chance to contribute to the priorities for the next year. There will be small groups where you can discuss what you think needs to be done in the near future. These ideas will be fed back to Joint Church Council who are dedicating time in September to define priorities and set agendas and timescales for groups to do the necessary work. This is your opportunity to have your say but if you are unable to attend then maybe you can pass your ideas to a friend who is able to

come along.

This is an exciting new way to tackle the work needed so don't be left out.

If you are unsure about any of this please ask one of the clergy or Joint Church council members.

Christine Adams - Secretary to Congregational Meeting

A Point Of View.....

Am I the only one who can't quite understand why it is necessary to change the words of some long established and well loved hymns? Usually it is for reasons of inclusiveness or political correctness (STF 221, 358....how did 495 escape?), sometimes for no good reason at all (STF 214, 215, 284).

But if you think this is a recent phenomenon, here is an extract from a recent letter to the Methodist Recorder, quoting John Wesley:

“Many gentlemen have done my brother and me.....the honour to reprint many of our hymns. Now they are perfectly welcome to do so, provided they print them just as they are. But I desire, they should not attempt to mend them for they really are not able....to mend either the sense or the verse. Therefore I must beg of them....either to let them stand just as they are....or to add the true reading in the margin or at the bottom of the page: that we may no longer be accountable either for the nonsense or for the doggerel of other men”

Norman Mann

No problem

A few weeks ago, my neighbour gave me a cutting from the Daily Telegraph about the increasing number of Christians and Muslims who were adopting creationism, and denying Charles Darwin's Theory of Evolution, saying that it was blasphemous and defamatory, by denying the Creation by God.

I felt I had to put pen to paper.

I have no problem at all in believing passionately BOTH in a Creator God, AND in Evolutionary Theory. In fact the latter helps to explain the former.

What sort of god do these people believe in? Did their god just make everything and then walk away and leave it?

My God is still making mountains with volcanoes, and crustal movement, He is changing river courses, glaciers, climate and so on. He is taking part in everything. He is with us for the journey.

Time is an all pervading dimension - it is a condition for existence. If nothing ever changed, there would be no time. Since time undoubtedly exists, change is inevitable. This applies to the Universe, the Earth, the Oceans, and all of Life.

I resemble both of my parents, but I am not exactly the same as either of them.

Similarly my children resemble both of their parents, but are different. So, inevitably there is change whenever there is sexual reproduction.

Every living thing tends to thrive best where its needs are best met. Water lilies do not grow in the desert; cacti will not grow in a swamp. But because of the genetic diversity within species, there is often an ability to adapt to a changing environment, and these abilities will favour those individuals possessing them. Stoats living in the far north change coat colour to ermine white during snowy winters. This means that they are less likely to be eaten by predators. What happened to those which could not change to ermine.....? However, stoats in the south of England, where dark stoats were not preferentially targeted by predators, have lost this ability. They do not need it. Life forms which could not adapt became extinct, when environmental conditions became adverse.

Darwin and his successors offer logical explanations for such changes, but are these very changes not also enabled by a Creator God? Is it not all part of a brilliant design plan which offers protection for and continuation of life?

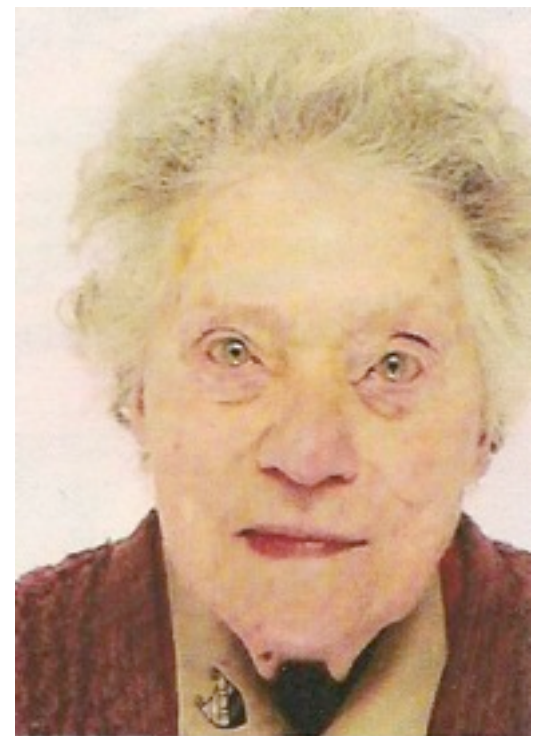
I see no conflict.

Celia Lester

Elizabeth (Betty) Forrest 1918-2012

With the death of Betty Forrest, the Cotteridge Church has lost one of its oldest and most faithful members.

Betty was born in Northumberland - “my beautiful county” - in 1918, so she would have been 94 years old in June. After school, she went to Newcastle to do her general nursing training, from 1937-41. Following this, in 1943, she came to Birmingham to do her Midwifery training, because in those days Birmingham was considered a centre of excellence for public health. She became a midwife at Sorrento Maternity Hospital where her real interests were the delivery suite and theatre. She did a lot of pioneering research work studying the rhesus factor and was instrumental in introducing the Central Sterile Services Dept. at Sorrento, with the help of Miss Teasdale of Selly Oak Hospital. Over the period of her career Betty saw many innovations including X-rays, analgesics, antibiotics and blood transfusions. She was secretary of the Royal College of Midwives in Birmingham and in 1977 she was honoured by the Queen and received a Jubilee medal for services to midwifery.



Betty enjoyed travelling, particularly to Italy and also to Canada where she visited relatives. In 1961 she married Edgar Forrest, who lived in Bournville because he

was an electrical engineer at Cadbury's. After her marriage she continued to work in nursing and spent many years training student midwives and medical students from the medical school at Birmingham University.

When she retired she enjoyed gardening and also volunteered to deliver Meals on Wheels around South Birmingham. She became very active in the church where she was secretary for the Visiting Service for Old People, which used to be based at Kings Norton Methodist Church; she also helped to run a group for housebound people, taking them on outings and back to tea at church. She was social secretary for the Women's Guild, arranging outings, holidays and Christmas parties. Betty was a member of the Friendship Club with Jean Harris and served as Communion Steward with Paul Lavender for 10 years in the 80's. Last but certainly not least, she was a founder member of the Coffee Bar where she worked with Frances Hopkins and Bill Allen on Wednesday afternoons for many years.

Betty's funeral and Thanksgiving service were arranged by her niece Gwynneth and Betty's goddaughter Elizabeth; both services were led by Revd Joycelyn Lewis-Gregory and prayers were led by Father Eamonn Corduff, a Roman Catholic priest, who was a lifelong friend and neighbour of Betty in Hay Green Lane. There was a large group of Betty's colleagues from Sorrento at her funeral as well as her family, friends from church, neighbours from Bournville and customers she had served in the coffee bar, all reflecting Betty's long life of dedicated service in many different areas. We thank God that she had such a long and fruitful life.

Linda Mann

June Ravenhill 1934-2012

On the afternoon of Tuesday 27 March, the Malvern Room was almost filled to capacity as family and friends gathered at a Thanksgiving Service for the life of June, who died on 15 March aged 77 years.

We were reminded by June's son, Michael, of how, as a little girl, his mother had been invited to join the Girls Life Brigade at Kings Norton Methodist Church, and how she had remained a member of what is now the Cotteridge Church for the rest of her life.

For the greater part of her 77 years, June was a victim of rheumatoid arthritis but, despite much pain and a



number of operations, she radiated happiness and was an inspiration to so many: her family, patients at the Royal Orthopaedic Hospital, where she was a volunteer, and to all with whom she came into contact.

The Church held a special place in June's heart, not only because this was where she met and married her husband Ivor, but also because of her love of singing – she was a member of the choir for a number of years – and for the friends she met here.

June was a happy and outgoing person who loved the variety of worship, attending concerts at Symphony Hall, having meals out with friends, watching the fortunes of Birmingham City Football Club, encouraging her grandchildren in their studies and sports, offering help and advice to patients at the ROH and talking to strangers.

June will be remembered as a happy, smiling person who has lived life to the full and she will always hold a special place in our hearts.

Primrose Taylor

(Our thoughts and prayers are with both families – Eds)

Who is...Chris Brown?



I think I am safe enough in saying that quite a lot of you reading this do know who I am and that I have been attending The Cotteridge Church with my parents, Lin and Laurie, since my birth in February 1991; but you perhaps don't know what I am up to at the moment. I am about to finish my third year at Portsmouth University, where I have been reading Criminology and Forensic Studies, with the ultimate view of joining Hampshire Police as soon as recruitment begins again. Today, a large number of individuals and organisations make use of forensic techniques to solve a broad range of criminal justice problems. It has been an amazingly interesting, exciting and informative course which I have thoroughly enjoyed. I only hope my degree result shows how much. My dissertation, a 10,000 word 'essay',

was about the dramatic changes to the way in which police officers are trained and developed, and I now have only one more examination to sit, in May.

I shall be staying in Hampshire when finished at University, continuing to work for Land Securities who own and run the Gunwharf Quays complex which includes 95 retail outlets, nightclubs, bars, restaurants and the marina. My work with Hampshire Police will also continue; as soon as I started at University I joined the force as a Special Constable and only this month my team was awarded the Chief Constable's Special Team of 2011 at a ceremony at the Hampshire Police Southern Support and Training Headquarters at Netley, Southampton.

During my three years in Portsmouth I have pursued my cycling hobby, joining the University Mountain Bike Club and became their cross country captain. Following my family interest in speed boats, I recently gained my power boat licence in Southampton, something I shall find useful if am working at Gunwharf Marina. Another family trait is love of cars and driving and last year I was able to buy my own car; much to my dad's disgust, a BMW that he has since conceded was a good buy and not dissimilar to his MG! If I have any free time and it's a nice day, which we do get many of here in Hampshire, I can be in the New Forest very quickly, enjoying a picnic and a walk, or a blast round on my bike.

I owe a great deal to the "family" at The Cotteridge Church, from very early days in the crèche with Hazel Cliff and in Junior Church, in Beginners with George Smith, one of the many varied and fantastic leaders who helped shape my religious thinking. Our family have belonged to Cotteridge before the three churches came together; Dad was a member of the congregation at St. Agnes where his uncle Roy Brookstein was the minister and Mum came to Cotteridge in 1987. Rev Ros Murphy gave me the opportunity to read in church at age 7 and Rev Paul Whittle asked me to read at the Carols on the Green Service on Christmas Eve 2002; both events I remember well and those opportunities along with all the other times I read in church have given me confidence in public speaking. I joined Boys Brigade as an Anchor Boy in February 1996, and remained with BB right through to being awarded the Queen's Badge, the highest award a BB boy can get, in the summer 2008. I am still involved with the Boys' Brigade at Cotteridge, if now only from a distance and I will be joining them at Camp on the Isle of Wight (part of Hampshire Constabulary's area) this summer. I continue to enjoy the friendships I have made with the boys, officers and leaders. It is surprising just how many people I meet, from my manager at Halfords to senior Police Officers across the country, have been in BB and I am grateful for the opportunities it has afforded me.

So there you have it ...an up to the moment account of where I am. I still consider Cotteridge to be MY church and will be back to visit again before too long.

Chris Brown

Pennine Way Book Sales

A target of £1000 was set and I am delighted to report that it has been broken. So, a new target has been set: £1500 by Easter next year. Thanks to all of you who have donated, and bought, books, DVDs and CDs, and please continue to donate and buy.

Linda Woodhouse

Church Garden

April starts the busy time for gardeners and our garden is no exception. There are much-needed repairs planned, with the paving becoming so unsafe we are hoping to re-pave and add to the existing area. We are going to concentrate on bringing colour into the garden by filling existing planters and containers with brightly coloured and perfumed annuals.



We need your help; so, when purchasing your own plants, why not

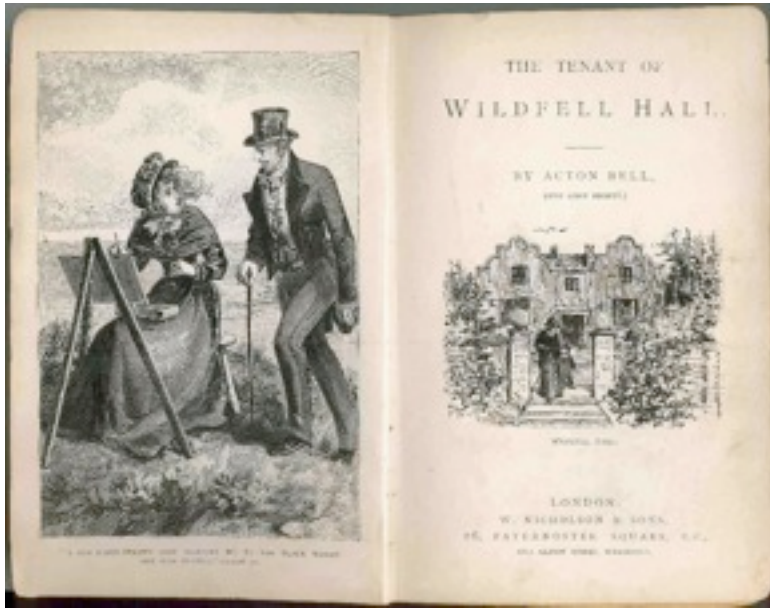
add an extra tray for us? Many people benefit from this space, and we are trying to develop it into a quiet space for rest and refreshment, so your contributions would be appreciated, along with physical help too. Please see me if you can help in any way, or just come on Fridays when we try to be there - even in the rain!!!!

Chris Pascal

Book Group

By the time you read this we will have read and discussed *The Tiger's Wife* written by Tea Obreht, a first novel for this writer who was born in Belgrade. This story was partly set during the war, when a tiger escaped from the zoo and befriended a deaf mute woman. This tale entwines with the story about the narrator Natalia who is a doctor, trying to care for orphans and also to look for answers surrounding the death of her grandfather. An interesting novel which promoted healthy discussion.

In our exploration of the classics, we have decided to read a novel by one of the Brontë sisters - which as it transpires is quite topical, in view of the current move to try and put a wind farm close to Haworth where the Brontë family lived. We have avoided the more popular *Jane Eyre* and *Wuthering Heights* to read a book by the youngest and less well known Brontë sister, Anne. *The Tenant of Wildfell Hall* is her second and last novel and was written under the pseudonym Acton Bell. Written in 1848 it tells the story of a woman who is hiding away from her belittling and womanising husband by moving to Yorkshire with her young son. This was



considered quite a shocking book at the time, and since has been classed as a feminist novel by some critics. After Anne's death in 1849, her sister Charlotte prevented its publication so that it did not appear in print until 1900, and it is thought that it is this delay that caused Anne to fall in the shadow of her two sisters Charlotte and Emily.

Please come and join us at Liz Larkin's house on Thursday 14th June at 8pm to talk about this book.

Christine Adams

Village Life in Nazareth Part 3

In the last of these articles we consider the life of Joseph the village carpenter. We have already thought of the life of a boy up to 17 or 18yrs. At this age Joseph's father would have started the process of selecting a suitable young women from the unmarried 13 to 17 years old. Once the terms were worked out they would be written down or spoken before witnesses. Once this was done a betrothal ceremony took place in front of witnesses. For the next twelve months (the usual period of betrothal) the couple were thought of as practically married. A child born in this time was considered legitimate. After the wedding the bride left her father's house and moved in with the bridegroom.

Carpentry was a highly respected trade. Probably Joseph worked in his doorway or just outside his house which may have been one in a row of tradesmen's shops at the centre of the village. Joseph must have had a substantial kit of tools, some of which he inherited from his father. Many of these were very similar to the basic hand tools used today.

The work was very physically demanding and required good eye-hand coordination and considerable intelligence.

Part of any carpenter's skill revolved around knowing which kinds of wood and which sections of a tree were most appropriate for the intended purpose. The tree selected would have to be cut down and sawn and shaped to precise size. The carpenter would have spent his time making farm tools and house construction parts, furniture and kitchen implements. Farm tools ranged from wooden carts with solid wheels, threshing boards, ploughs winnowing forks, yokes and handles for metal tools. House parts included various posts and beams, doors and door and window frames, tables, chairs and storage boxes.

Joseph would often, whilst working, have removed the loose outer garment and worked wearing only his tunic. A man wearing only his tunic was said to be naked or stripped. If he had a belt or sash round his tunic it was called a loin cloth. If he pulled it up between his legs and thrust into the belt or sash he was said to gird his loins.

Joseph like most men, whatever they did for a living, did it to support and care for his family; for it was ultimately the family on which his life was based.

Geoff Hulme

(We thank Geoff very much for this short series, which has been both informative and entertaining. We would love more articles like his; so, please, get writing! – Eds)

Cotteridge Church Day Centre

April 17th and the grant application form to fund our Day Centre was, finally, sent to Birmingham City Council! It had been the most protracted of processes, taking up all of Irene's time (along with that of Norman Mann, our Treasurer) for a period of three weeks. IF successful, we are safe for 2-3 years from October 2012. Meanwhile, staff & members of our Centre continue, despite the added pressures, and it's a very positive and happy place to be. Easter celebration included a Fancy Hat Parade, Eggs and a party. The usual activities have been enjoyed by up to 25 members every week-day, and it's good to see and hear the Cotswold Room being so well used. We hope, with improving weather to start using the Church garden again before the planned re-paving begins. The A.G.M. will be held on May 21st, at 1 pm, and members of the congregation are welcome to attend. Thanks to everyone who has shown interest, visited, helped on the committee, and especially to the staff, who continue to aim to deliver an excellent service. Do you, or anyone you know, need this input to increase their quality of life as the years roll-on? Then contact Karen (co-ordinator) 458 3101, or Irene (church office) 433 5518.

Chris Pascal

News From Korea

To-day, 27 March 2012, I received a phone call from Geeysub Kim (James) all the way from Korea. He returned home on March 5th 2012 after spending 13 years in this Country. He has settled back home well and started working for his Father's Company the day after he arrived. He said he was very happy and certainly sounded it.

He plans to visit Cotteridge later in the year. He sends his very good wishes to us all. He says thank-you to the Cotteridge Church for the friendship and caring he received, especially in the early days from Rev Ros Murphy and Christine Harries.

Margaret Edwards

Christian Aid Week: 13–19 May



Let's give the tools to help people in poverty out of poverty

Thousands of churches will stand together this Christian Aid Week to speak out for change. Some 100,000 committed volunteers will go out and put their faith into action, raising funds to help some of the world's poorest and most vulnerable people. This includes Britain's largest house-to-house collection – an extraordinary act of witness, demonstrating to

our communities that we care about poverty and justice.

This year, Christian Aid Week tells the story of remarkable change taking place in a community in rural Sierra Leone. Sierra Leone is one of the hungriest countries in the world. But helped by Christian Aid partner the Methodist Church of Sierra Leone (MCSL), some people there have found the tools to move beyond hunger and speak out for the changes they want to see.

Christian Aid currently works with 507 partner organisations in 47 countries around the world. From Sierra Leone to Tajikistan, from Kenya to Bolivia, we are helping communities to make their voices heard and look towards a brighter future.

We believe that poverty is a scandal and that it can be ended. Look out for local events and discover how you can get involved by contacting your Christian Aid Week representative, or by visiting www.caweek.org

‘We organise a one-off event each year, which involves the whole community; seeing everyone, of all faiths and no faiths working together for one cause is very uplifting and raises a large amount of money at the end.’



The power of standing together

Christian Aid Week tells the story of a community in Sierra Leone that has seen remarkable change. Tenneh Keimbay's life turned around when the Methodist Church of Sierra Leone (MCSL) started to work in her town, distributing tools and teaching farmers simple food production techniques. She talks enthusiastically about the difference this has made: 'Now the children eat two meals all year round, whereas before it was one. They are growing well; they don't cry around me because of hunger. They are happy to go to school because something is in their stomach.'

The benefits of regular food speak for themselves. But the effects of the food production group have been more wide-ranging than this. Acting together, the farmers can share their skills and work more efficiently. As she tells us, the bottom line is that 'the group work provides more food'.

Tenneh speaks of the support and the encouragement that the farmers give to each other, and how much can be achieved when the community comes together. 'What inspires me in life is unity,' she says. 'To me, unity means coming together to decide on one thing and take that forward.'

Now that they are no longer limited by hunger, the people of Gbap (pronounced Bap) have come together and successfully lobbied for a new school and an agricultural work centre for the community. The people of Gbap have taken their future into their own hands.

During Christian Aid Week, 15,000 churches across Britain and Ireland will organise house-to-house collections and events to raise funds to enable organisations like MCSL to carry out their work transforming communities such as Gbap. Our donations will be multiplied many times over as many small actions come together to make a huge change. But the giving that takes place during Christian Aid Week is not one-way.

Unity is something that our churches are not always good at, and the value of community that has inspired Tenneh is something that we can learn from and be changed by. Christian Aid Week is about raising funds. But it is also a call to unity – an invitation for churches to come together and celebrate the possibility of hope and life in parts of the world where mere survival can be a struggle.

This is a challenge, because division and inequality and injustice will always be easier than unity. But Tenneh's insistence that remarkable things can happen when we come together is not new. We see it in the actions and ministry of Jesus, who pushed against all that leads to violence and separation and called his disciples to model a new way of community.

Can we use this Christian Aid Week to allow ourselves to be changed? If we can work together, with each other, with our churches and with our neighbours both at home and as far away as Gbap, then we may start to see huge change happen.

Tenneh says that 'when you are a group and work with focus and total commitment, you work at a faster rate; the stronger ones can help with work that

weaker ones cannot do by themselves'. As we engage in Christian Aid Week, we can rejoice as we stand together in solidarity. Although we might ask who is the strong and who is the weak – and who is actually giving to whom.

Be a part of Christian Aid Week this year: if, together, we take small actions we can give people like Tenneh the tools to make big change happen.

£6.50 could buy a set of four hand tools for a farmer living in the town of Gbap.

£50 could pay for advocacy training for two young people in a Kenyan slum, equipping them with the tools they need to pressure their government to provide essential services.

£123 could buy a reclaimed aluminium greenhouse for women working on market gardening projects in Tajikistan, providing a vital tool for growing vegetables in a harsh climate experiencing extremes of hot and cold.

Boys' Brigade

In April, the BB organised its annual General Knowledge Quiz; the total raised was £244, to be shared between The Acorns Children's Hospice, St Mary's Hospice and The Cotteridge Church. Many thanks to everybody who supported the BB by turning up on the night or by donating. Thanks also to Mike Meadows (Quizmaster), Philip Adams, Dave Dixon, Rob Seward (projector /scoring) and Christine Adams (refreshments).

Jamie Dowling has just completed his Queen's Badge course at Felden Lodge and will now be presented with his award on the 24 June. There will also be a presentation at Cotteridge at the July Parade Service. Jamie has been a member of Boys' Brigade since the age of 6 and fully deserves the award.

The company will be taking part in the Battalion Athletics at Birmingham University, on 26 May, and our Peckwood weekend will take place from 22-24 June.



Bob Hotchkiss

Timișoara

In the January issue we said that we were looking forward to visiting the Balint family: Sandor, Gyöngyi, son Szabi, daughter Reka, son-in-law Istvan and grandson Eddi.

This will be the fourth visit to Timișoara and the small, Hungarian-speaking, Reformed community, which is led by Pastor Sandor Balint. For just over three years, as many of you



will remember, our Church supported the building of the community's permanent place of worship; this has yet to be completed, so we are also keen to see how much still needs to be done.

Since Steve's visit in 2007, we've kept in touch with the Balints and it was during our Christmas phone call that we were asked when we were going to visit again. It had been something we had talked about, so we accepted the invitation and booked our flights from Birmingham, via Munich, to Timișoara. We'll have a full report in the next Roundabout.

Steve & Caroline

Services

JL-G: Rev Joycelyn Lewis-Gregory NJ: Rev Nick Jones RC: Rev Roger Collins

May	6th	13th	20th	27th	
9.00 a.m. H.C.	Revd J.L-G.	Revd R.C.	Revd N.J.	Revd J.L-G.	
10.30 a.m.	Revd J.L-G.	Revd R.C. H.C.	E. Hutchinson	Revd J.L-G.	
18.30 p.m.	Revd N.J.	Café Church	Revd J.L-G.	Mr Andy Vail	
June	3rd	10th	17th	24th	
9.00 a.m. H.C.	Revd J.L-G.	Revd R.C.	Revd R.C.	Revd N.J.	
10.30 a.m.	Revd J.L-G.	Revd R.C. H.C.	Revd R.C.	Revd R.C. H.C.	
18.30 p.m.	Revd D. Sampson H.C.	Café Church	Revd N.J. H.C.	Miss Hazel Nash	
July	1st	8th	15th	22nd	28th
9.00 a.m. H.C.	Revd J.L-G.	Revd R.C.	Revd N.J.	Revd R.C.	Revd J.L-G.
10.30 a.m.	Revd J.L-G.	Revd A. Hood H.C.	Mr S. Wright	Revd R.C. H.C.	E. Hutchinson
18.30 p.m.	Revd N.J. Evening Prayer	Café Church	Revd R.C. H.C.	Mr Andy Vail	Revd J.L-G. H.C.

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Saturday 19th May 10am to 4pm

St. Marys & All Saints and Trinity Methodist Church Kidderminster

Hosted by the Diocese of Worcester and supported by many other Diocese

Further details from Maria Johnson maria.johnson@cofe-worcester.org

‘Peace, Justice, Community & the Kingdom of God’

Day Conference

Friday 8th June 10.00am to 4.00pm

*Rowheath Pavilion, Heath Road, Bournville, Birmingham, B30 1HH (Rail:
Bournville, Bus: 11, 38, 84)*

Keynote Speakers: Ash Barker Founder & International Director, ‘Urban Neighbours Of Hope’ (UNOH)

Rev. Joel Edwards International Director, Micah Challenge

Cost: £15 (£7.50 unwaged)

Children’s programme available

This event is jointly organised by: the Fellowship of Churches of Christ in Great Britain & Ireland and Springdale College: Together in Mission, with the support of the Anabaptist Network and Urban Expression.

And finally....



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