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 Deputy Leader: Sue Charlesworth Oakfield Road
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MINISTER'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

It's hard to believe that seven years have nearly passed. Seven years since I was welcomed into this community. Seven years for you to know me and me to get to know you. Seven years together sharing God's work, and now it is time to say good-bye, not time to reminisce but time to proactively look to the future.

For all of us a new chapter is about to be opened. It will be one of exploration, new opportunities, new adventures as we progress to the next stage in our mission, in our lives.

A new minister, a new circuit, a new superintendent, but the **same God**. The same enabler, the same power, the same guide available for us wherever we are and wherever we go. However, as we go on it is not the exploration, the opportunities, the new adventures that are important, nor even that God is with us, it is how we allow God to use us.

Do we always listen to him, and if we listen do we hear what he is asking us, telling us?

Imran will come with new ideas and fresh expressions of worship. Some will be delighted, others feel threatened. You must always remember it is one and the same Lord who feeds both of us. The same Lord enlightens, strengthens, guides our paths and helps us on the road of servanthood. As God guides Imran and Sarah into this community so he will be guiding Jen and I as we travel the new path of village life, new social communities, a less cosmopolitan environment but much fresher air! There will be new transport opportuni-

ties (buses one an hour at times) and, hopefully more time for cricket. We will be entering a church in a way we have not done for over 35 years, in the pew.

Change is always difficult. Remember the changes Christ's disciples had to make as they eventually realised God was still with them but in a different way. They found it hard at first but soon three thousand were added to the cause.

'You in your small corner and I in mine'. We have to remember that and remember there is no corner in the world that can block out the light of Christ. Let us keep that light shining in our hearts and minds then we will never go wrong. Let us remember:

'We love God because He first loved us' 1John 4 v. 19

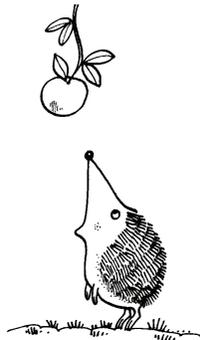
And also:

'Whoever claims to live in him must walk as Jesus did'

1 John 2 v. 6

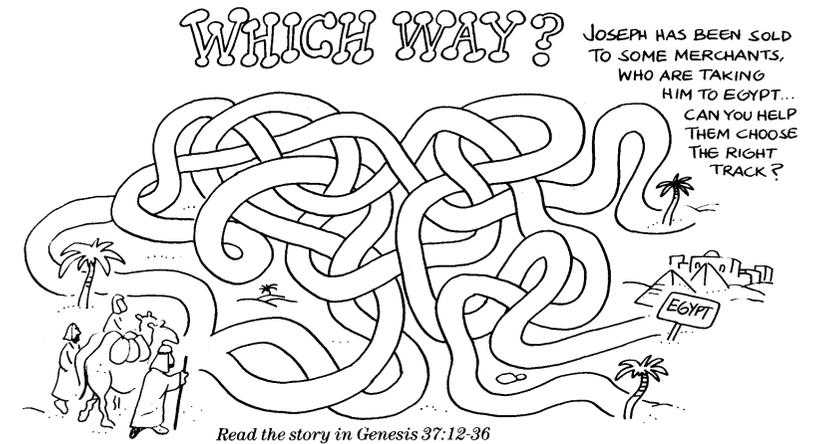
God bless each and every one of us as we continue that walk.

Graham



With God all things are possible.

FOR OUR YOUNGER READERS



THOUGHT FOR THE DAY....



MOLDOVA NOT FORGOTTEN

The following is taken from the Easter newsletter of “Moldova Not Forgotten”, the charity of which our former Minister, Rev. Peter Coates, is the Director. He is a Deacon in the Catholic Diocese of Chisinau, Moldova, where most of the charity’s work is carried out.

“Thanks to one large donation and a number of smaller ones, after our Emergency Newsletter, an exciting new project has been started by Caritas Moldova. To help alleviate some of the problems caused by the awful weather conditions six parishes are working with the people affected regardless of their religion, age or gender to ensure that they can both cope for the present and prepare for future problems. We are offering clothing, food, medicines, and heating costs etc.

A new development at St Stephen’s (which we have supported from its opening) is using the premises during the day for a Social Club for older people. **“Seniors Club 60 plus** is a place of relaxation and leisure for people of 60+ who have kept alive their spirit, and it is designed to stimulate communication and participation of elderly persons in active social life.

The Club’s Mission: is to provide the opportunity of an active life for elderly people, promoting their talents and skills.

The Vision: is to encourage a healthy lifestyle and increase social integration of elderly persons.”



ROUND THE FAMILY

We were sorry to hear of the death on 22nd February of Shirley Quintrell, a former member of our Church, Pastoral visitor and local preacher. Shirley was with us in the 1980’s and many of us have fond memories of her.

We have also heard of the death of Molly Lovell, the wife of the Rev. George Lovell, a minister at our church from 1962 – 1966. In his letter to Graham, George wrote: “ It is with great sadness and an enormous sense of loss that I write to tell you that my wife, Molly, died quietly but unexpectedly in St. James’s Hospital, Leeds, on Monday the 9th of April on the very day that we had planned to celebrate our diamond wedding anniversary with our extended family. Molly and I spent some 30 happy years in the Sydenham and Forest Hill Circuit, first as a minister and then as members of Forest HillIn faith, I believe she is at peace and safely in God’s care.”

Please remember in your prayers Sarah Hynes, Richard Hynes, Stella Roberts and Mike Sayers, recovering from surgery. We were also sorry to hear that Stella’s younger brother died suddenly at the end of April.

On 6th May we celebrated the christening of Mya India Blenman-Burke, daughter of Danielle and Adrian, and our church was overflowing with family and friends who came to share Mya’s special day with her.

Our Church Anniversary Service this year was led by the Rev. Cameron Kirkwood from the Brixton Circuit and was a very enjoyable occasion. Cameron has visited our church previously and it was good to see him again and to share our 147th Anniversary Celebrations with him.

Marian

CHURCH LENT APPEAL

This year our Church supported the St. Christopher's Hospice Lent Appeal to raise money to purchase 110 syringe drivers for use in the Hospice in Sydenham and in the community. Ten households put coins in jars over the Lent period and raised a total of £209.42. We received a further donation of £25 from someone outside the church family who heard about our support of the Lent Appeal, so we were able to send a total of £234.42 to St. Christopher's. Thank you to everyone who donated so generously to the Appeal.

CIRCUIT FAREWELL SERVICE

The Circuit Farewell service for Rev. Graham and Jenny Cocking will take place on Sunday 22nd July at 4pm at Upper Norwood Methodist Church. The preacher will be the Rev. Harvey Richards. Please book the date and come to wish Graham and Jenny well in their retirement.

COOKERY CORNER

Orange Delight

Ingredients

150gr (5oz) plain flour
 ½ level teaspoon baking powder
 150gr (5 oz) butter or margarine
 150gr (5 oz) caster sugar
 3 medium eggs
 Grated zest and juice of an orange

Topping: Orange juice, extra caster sugar, peeled segments from an orange.

Method

1. Cream together butter or margarine and sugar.
2. Add the eggs one by one, then the flour mixed with baking powder.
3. Add the grated zest and half the orange juice.
4. Turn into a greased 8 inch cake tin and bake for 50—60 minutes at Gas Mark 4, 180° C or 350°F.
5. Leave to cool in the tin and turn out on to a wire rack.
6. Transfer to a plate when cool.
7. Mix remaining orange juice with sugar and pour over the cake.
8. Before serving, decorate with orange segments

Ann Vickery

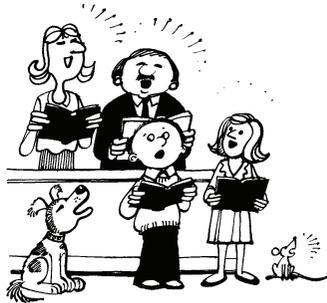
INTROIT for the next 4 months

- O Breath of Life, come sweeping through us,
Revive Thy Church with life and pow'r.
- O Breath of Life, come cleanse, renew us,
And fit Thy Church to meet this hour.
- O Breath of Love, come breathe within us,
Renewing thought and will and heart:
Come, love of Christ, afresh to win us,
Revive Thy church in every part.

Elizabeth Porter Head (1850—1936)

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**ANNUAL GENERAL CHURCH MEETING**

The General Church Meeting will take place after the morning service on Sunday 17th June, starting around 12.30pm. All church members are invited to attend to hear reports from the various sections of the Church, to elect Church Stewards for the next year and to elect representatives to the Church Council.

From the Editor

With this edition the magazine commences its 44th year of production, for the last 20 of which I have been editor. However, this magazine is a team effort and I would like to thank Valerie and Andrew Tredinnick, who collate and staple the magazine, Dave Hynes, who maintains the mailing list, and the Pastoral Visitors who help to distribute the magazines.

I am also very grateful to everyone who gives me articles, news and suggestions for things to include. It certainly makes my life easier!

if anyone has any news or an idea for an article, or even feels moved to write the occasional article themselves, please have a word with me or contact me by email or post—details inside the front cover.

If you want to write an article yourself and have access to a computer, you can send it by e-mail or save it to a disc (which I can supply). The page size is A5 and preferred font size is 12, in either Arial or Times New Roman font (though I can play around with whatever you send me, so that it fits my template). Otherwise I am happy to type up whatever you give me. I would rather have something handwritten than nothing at all!

Marian

EASTER OFFERING SERVICE

The Easter Offering Service was held at Forest Hill Methodist Church this year on the afternoon of Sunday 20th May. The theme was "Entertaining Angels: Transforming Encounters in Mission, and we were pleased to have as our speaker the Rev. Graham Cocking.

Each year the Circuit JMA (Junior Mission for All) shield is presented at the Easter Offering Service to the Church in the Circuit which has increased its JMA collections over the last year by the largest percentage (**not** the church which has collected the most) and this year Forest Hill Methodist Church won the shield. Although we did not win the shield this year, we congratulate our small band of regular collectors who can usually be found collecting their money after morning services. If you would like to give regularly to any of our collectors, please have a word with Dinah.

The amount collected this year in Anerley's Easter Offering envelopes was £113.50.

CIRCUIT SUMMER GARDEN PARTY

The Network Garden Party will take place on Saturday 23rd June at Forest Hill Methodist Church, Normanton Street SE23 between 11.00am and 3.00pm. Proceeds from the event will go towards Network's current project against trafficking of women and the exploitation of children. Please book the date now.

There will also be a sponsored hymn-playing from Singing the Faith on that day., to raise money for Chelsea Creasey, one of the Forest Hill Rangers, who is going on an international Guide trip to Borneo. Pianist and organists from each church in the Circuit are taking part with intention of playing every hymn in StF.

BIBLE STUDIES

MEDITATIONS ON A BOAT

A Group Bible Study based on the story of Noah

Monday evenings May to July 8pm—9.30pm

- 21st May Self-centredness V. God-centredness
- 28th May Corruption, Love and Justice
- 4th June No Bible Study (Bank Holiday)
- 11th June Obedience
- 18th June Judgement
- 25th June God's Faithfulness
- 2nd July A Fresh Start

Please see Valerie Tredinnick for more details

