

Wesleyan Reform Union: Home Missions & YPD – News & Prayer Letter

## **Excited about Mission!**

**Summer 2013**

Please don't hesitate to contact me regarding anything in this letter. I would love to hear from you, **especially if you want ideas or help with outreach in your area!**

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Please check out Martin's YPD Blog - <http://wru-ypd.blogspot.com/>

### **YPD - Where's Martin? over the Summer**

July 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> Preparing for Holiday Clubs at Griffydam, Ellistown & Syresham

Mon 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> Helping at Holiday Club – Griffydam "Secret Agents"

Wed 31<sup>st</sup> to Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug Holiday Club – Ellistown "Treasure Island"

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Aug Holiday Club - Syresham

### **Church on the Rock**

#### **New Youth Group for over 16's**

We are also starting an over 16 years youth group next week as a group of six or more have outgrown the 10- 16 youth group. Please pray for us.

#### **Seaside Craft Day in Oldbury (as far away from the SEA as you can possibly get!)**

We will be having an all age Craft day with a seaside theme on 24th August. We will be doing everything to do with the seaside, such as making crabs, sandcastles, boats, mermaids and rock pools to name but a few, followed by an ice cream to finish with.

### **Griffydam Church**

Cliff Darby writes: we are organizing a '**Secret Agents Holiday Club**'. It will run for two days, Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th July. There will be games, craft, song, drama and Bible input.

### **Ellistown Fellowship (Ashby Circuit)**

Margaret Aldridge writes: We're very excited at the Ellistown Fellowship as we're getting ready to hold our first holiday club in quite a number of years. Martin will be coming down to lead the club whose theme is Treasure Island. It will run from Wednesday 31st July until Friday 2nd August 10 - 12.30 each day. Please pray for us

### **Denby Dale**

Holiday Club - '**Space Academy**' – looking at the story of Daniel

Wed 24<sup>st</sup> & Thur 25<sup>th</sup> July – This is organised by the churches in the village with Robert and Cynthia's daughter heading it up.

### **Bozeat**

**Patricia Smith writes:**

We had a wonderful Songs of Praise on the 21st June The Chapel was packed and everyone who was there said it was a very uplifting feeling when they walk from the service. God really blessed us that evening. We are in the middle of having the chapel redecorated so are having services in the school room. Everyone who uses the chapel are being very patient with the disruptions. Will send you some pictures when it is finished.

## Worsbrough – Barnsley Christian Resource Centre



We had a successful launch on Friday and Saturday when some 50 to 60 people came to support us. We served refreshments and everyone received a 'goody bag'. Many of the people said how impressed they were with the 'new look' of the centre. It was good to see that some of the people who came were from our community along with one of our local Councillors.

Now we are praying for the next step in the vision which we believe God has given us. We do need people especially, but not exclusively, Christians to support us and pray along with us. We are thrilled that our local library have agreed that we may donate Christian books to be added to their stock and that we have permission to donate children's Bibles.

Barnsley Chronicle, our local paper, did us proud with an article about the opening, it was good to have good news in the local press.

## Owlerton

Doreen Wilkinson writes : We are having a **Strawberry and Cream Tea this Thursday July 18th** - the time is between 2 30 and 4 30 pm. There will be no charge made , but donations will be welcome for St Luke's Hospice. Any Queries: Please phone 0114 2331566 or Email [owlertonwr@talktalk.net](mailto:owlertonwr@talktalk.net)

## Coal Aston



### FLOWER FESTIVAL God's Gloves

Saturday July 20<sup>th</sup> 10am to 7pm

Sunday July 21<sup>st</sup> Family Service at 10 45am

church open until 6pm Everyone welcome Refreshments available

## Stonedge Chapel (Bakewell Circuit)

### Praise in the Peak 2013 - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SPGKEaKGcYQ>

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2013 from 7.30 pm at Bakewell Show ground on the weekend following the Bakewell Show.



Praise in the Peak is a contemporary Christian worship event for teens and twenties in the Derbyshire area.

The evening is supported by an informal network of evangelical churches, including Anglican, FIEC, Baptist, Methodist and Wesleyan Reform Churches within Derbyshire.

An evening of contemporary worship, music and singing, with a band provided by one of the supporting churches. A speaker will deliver a challenging and youth focused Gospel message. There is availability to camp for the evening with your group of friends.



## New Oxford Road – Mexborough

Lisa Taylor writes:

### Mexborough Gala

We will be taking part in the community Mexborough Gala on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August

## Treasure Seekers Summer Camp

For 2013, our Summer Club will be taking place the week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> August  
Please continue to prayer for the [Blue Chair Café](#) youth work on Sunday evenings. Thank you

## Bethel Community Church

Margaret Dennison writes :

**Praying for Bierley** : We leafleted 1000 homes to inform them that we were going to pray for the area, we invited them to post any prayer requested into the church letter box. Then on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July we held half a day of prayer (6 am to 6 pm)

**Tuesday Fellowship chills out** : Throughout the summer we are inviting people to various leisure activities.

**Summer Songs of Praise** Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July 11am to 12noon at the Life Centre Bierley.

Coffee, newspapers and chat followed by a Songs of Praise where we have invited people to tell us their favourite hymns and incorporate them into the programme. This will include a short Gospel message, followed by the normal Friday lunch.

**Charity Coffee Morning (Macmillan Cancer)** Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September. Invitations to go out for that event and to invite people to celebrate Harvest with us on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>

## Hampden View

- **Holiday Kids Club** - 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> May



The Holiday Kids Club went really well with 27 kids attending, and number for the first time. Eating lunch together worked very well, and it is a great opportunity to get to know the children that attend our weekly Schools work, Girls Brigade and Kids Club.

- **Gospel Concert** – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 7pm with Stuart Reynolds and Simon Cheadle
- **Girls Brigade Camp** – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> August in Norfolk

## Moira

Paul Busby writes: We are having a service on August 18th at 10.30 am as part of the Moira Folk Festival that weekend. Musicians and singers from around the country have asked if they can have a service in our church and we will be delighted to welcome them. They have offered to provide the music (including songs/hymns with traditional folk tunes) as well as lead times of worship, prayer and praise. They have also offered some Morris Dancing! Having looked up some of the history of Morris Dancing I can see that much of that history is founded in the church rather than just of Pagan origin - so perhaps we can reclaim that for our Lord.

## Heckington (Sleaford area)

Phyl Redpath writes

We recently finished a series by J John on the 10 commandments, working with the Church of England and a 'bring and share' supper enjoyed. This has been good for it brings us into closer relationship with the church and each other.

We Have an autumn venture by Nicki Gumbel on the beatitudes, this starts in September and as well as refreshing older Christians it greatly helps new Christians.

*(Note from Andy – Discipleship is what mission is all about and the two should flow seamlessly; one to the other.)*

## **INTER GENERATIONAL WORKSHOPS (2013)**



We had a fantastic morning (last Saturday) at Worsbrough Resource Centre, enjoying their refurbished room, which looks great and is a wonderful place to relax, chat and eat. Sharon Prior was very thought provoking and practical. We explored how to include and value people from all generations in our worship. How to encourage each other to actively partake in worship and to learn from each other. A big thank you to Paul Busby for organising and Sharon for leading them. These three events have blessed and equipped many of us in ministry.

## **Local Preachers Annual Retreat** — Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 10am – 3:40pm

At Jump Church, Barnsley. Speaker :- Rev. Derek Cleave. Theme :- “What’s in a Name?”

**I would love to come and visit your church to speak or chat with you about outreach opportunities in your area. Please get in touch I would love to hear from you.**

**Yours in His service**

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