

Leyland Methodist Church

"Linking Lives through Jesus"



MONTHLY NEWS
NOVEMBER 2007

Dear friends,

WOW !

A wonderful total of £1025.00 was raised this Harvest time for International Aid's new orphanage in Sri Lanka, and it was great to have Bernard Cocker present at the 10.30a.m. service to receive a cheque for more than £3,000 raised towards this over the last couple of years ! A fantastic achievement.

The two young people, Catherine and Chris, who spoke about their experiences helping out for 10 days with International Aid during the summer, were truly inspirational, and I know that a number of people are considering offering a period of time overseas on such ventures. The WORLD CHURCH group are keen to hear from you if you are interested, as it is one of their goals to enable a number of people to have these life-changing experiences each year.

It was great too, during October, to announce that the District were going to match-fund our money towards a Youth Pastor, and we await meetings in November for the final "third" to be granted to us by the Methodist Connexion (national Methodism). We are looking to advertise the post in January, and to appoint in March / April 2008. Please continue to pray for this exciting opportunity.

The next Cafe Uno, now called "Pub Talk" is in the Leyland Old Gates on November 21st from 7.00p.m. (if you want to order food), or

from 8.00p.m., for the session. Watch out for publicity for this, and pray who you might be able to invite.

Finally, a group of sixteen "leaders" from LMC attended a Leadership Summit in October, and we were greatly inspired by the wonderful teaching, and challenging ideas. We'd love to share some of this experience with the wider church, and invite you to a series of evening services (once a month) where we shall enjoy a teaching dvd and enter into discussions over hot chocolate. The first of these is on 4th November, when the dvd is an interview with Richard Curtis, founder of Comic Relief, and screenwriter of Four Weddings and a Funeral / Vicar of Dibley etc....
Have a great month !

Rev. Phil

SUNDAY WORSHIP DURING NOVEMBER

4th : 9.00a.m. : Early Morning Communion with Rev. Jack Dowson
10.30a.m. : Rev. Phil Gough
6.30p.m. : Rev. Phil Gough (showing interview with Richard Curtis)
followed by hot chocolate and chat !

11th :10.30a.m. : **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY / PARADE** with Rev. Phil Gough
6.30p.m. : Rev. Paul Davis

18th :10.30a.m. : Deacon Sylvie Phillips
6.30p.m. : Rev. Phil with Deacon Kathy (Prisons Sunday / Communion)

25th :10.30a.m. : Rev. Phil Gough (Communion)
6.30p.m. : Rev. Mark Slaney

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### **NOVEMBER DATES FOR THE DIARY**

(see regular weekly notice sheet for all the weekly group activities)

Thursday 1st November (ALL SAINTS DAY) : 7.00p.m. - Service remembering those who've died. A service shared with the community of Lisieux Hall

Monday 5th 2.30p.m. : Monthly Worship at Bannister Brook with Rev. Phil. All welcome.

Tuesday 6th 7.30p.m. : "WORSHIP" Open Forum, planning our pattern of worship in 2008. All welcome.

Wednesday 7th 9.00a.m. : Stewards and Coordinators meeting

Monday 12th 3.00p.m. : Monthly Worship at Willowbank. All welcome.

Tuesday 13th 7.30p.m. : Circuit "Healing Service" at Leyland Methodist Church

Wednesday 14th 8.00p.m. : Prayer Ministry Training

Saturday 17th 8.00a.m. : Circuit Prayer Breakfast at Penwortham

Saturday 17th 10.00a.m. : WORLD CHURCH Coffee Morning

Saturday 17th 7.30p.m. : Celebration Praise with worship led by Selah

Tuesday 20th 8.00p.m. : Circuit Worship Leaders group meet at Lostock Hall

Wednesday 21st 8.00p.m. : "PUB TALK" at Leyland Old Gates (7.00p.m. for ordering food)

Tuesday 27th 7.15p.m. : Circuit Local Preachers meeting at Kingsfold

Wednesday 28th 8.00p.m. : Prayer Ministry Training

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**Thursday 1st November
ALL SAINTS DAY**

"Service of Light"



a service to remember those who have died
a joint venture between ourselves (LMC) and Lisieux Hall
7.00p.m. at LMC
followed by refreshments

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*Please note Rev. Phil's email address has had to change to :  
pjgough@blueyonder.co.uk*

### LMC MIDWEEK MESSAGE

Rev. Phil is starting up his midweek message again during November.  
This message currently goes out to 120 homes via email each week.  
If you have an email address, but don't currently receive Midweek  
Message, send Phil an email (pjgough@blueyonder.co.uk) and you, too,  
can start receiving.

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WORLD CHURCH NEWS

WORLD CHURCH COFFEE MORNING

An advance notice for this annual event when we seek to raise funds for
our overseas projects. The event will be on 17th NOVEMBER 2007. It will
be from 10a.m. to 2p.m. with refreshments available. Please keep this date
free and support us if you are able to.

Please look out in the weekly notices for more information in the coming
weeks , or contact Enid Hallam(431565)

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### LEYLAND FAIRTRADE COFFEE SHOP at LMC

Wednesdays 10.00a.m. - 3.00p.m.  
NOW OPEN

Teas / Coffees, drinks and snacks supporting fair trade around the world  
Fairtrade stalls / catalogues available to order

*A great place to meet and eat !*

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Prayer Ministry Training

We are planning a series of four evenings to use the ALPHA prayer ministry training course to equip us well to provide a team to offer prayer ministry in our times of gathered worship.

If you are interested in finding out more, please make a note of the following dates :

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

14th Nov

28th Nov

5th Dec

12th Dec

8.00 - 9.30p.m.

Sessions include :

"helping someone become a Christian"

"praying for someone to be filled with the Holy Spirit"

"praying for healing"

"listening to God"

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...and finally,

*A priest is walking down the street one day when he notices a very small boy trying to press a doorbell on a house across the street. However, the boy is very short and the doorbell is too high for him to reach. After watching the boy's efforts for some time, the priest moves closer to the boy's position. He steps smartly across the street, walks up behind the little fellow and, kindly leans over and gives the doorbell a solid ring.*

*Crouching down to the child's level, the priest smiles benevolently and asks,*

*"And now what, my little man ?"*

*To which the boy replies,*

*"Now we run !"*

*(from "A Box of Delights", J. John / Mark Stibbe)*

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