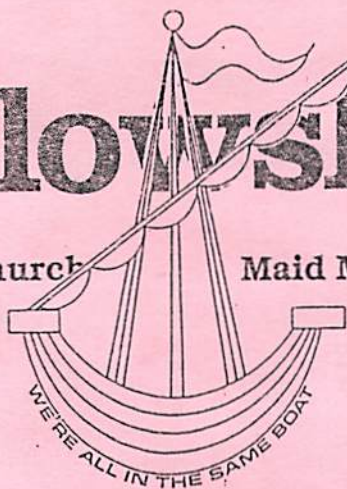


# Fellowship

St. Nicholas' Church

Maid Marian Way



## **In This Issue:**

### **I'm Healed!**

Liz Babbs tells of how God spoke to her in the midst of her need, and of how she didn't listen! God was persistent and eventually changed her life in an amazing way.

Read Jo Rogers' account of an encounter with a personal God. Her life will never be the same again.



## Forewords

### Employment Opportunity

The Association of Christian Teachers (ACT), want a warden for Stapleford House, their conference centre in Stapleford. This new post will start in September 91 and details of the work will be available from Easter.

The new warden will be responsible for managing and developing the work of the centre. The post will be a challenge and a great opportunity. It will suit a Christian with expertise in education and a gift for running small organisations. ACT is keen to have someone who can build on the Centre's interests in a broad range of issues to do with education.

For more details, send an SAE to Stapleford House Education Centre, Wesley Place, Stapleford, Nottingham. NG9 8DP

### CUFF-links?

Bishops all over the country have been doing their bit in the effort to raise money for the Church Urban Fund. These are a few of the more interesting efforts:

- ☆ The Bishop of Aston gave the following contribution to the Bishops Cookbook. TOAST: Take one slice of bread, insert in a pop-up toaster, push down, and await its return in a toasted state.
- ☆ The Bishop of Blackburn did a 15 hour 180 mile sponsored drive in Morris Minors around the diocese. He also did a six mile sponsored sprint along the Ribble valley with fellow parishioners.
- ☆ The Bishop of Burnley took part in a sponsored walk across Morecombe Bay (Walking on water?! Ed) Several musical bishops played to raise money. Amongst these was the Bishop of Chester who played the piano for ten hours raising £3,250 for the fund.



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# Kiwi Fruit

**T**his month we want to tell you a little about a couple who will be working with us during May and part of June this year.

Their names are John and Agnes Sturt and they live in Auckland, New Zealand. We worked with them when we visited the island last Spring.

## Christian Care Centre

John graduated in medicine in London and Sydney, and Agnes in nursing in New Zealand and England. After their marriage, they worked for twenty-one years in Papua New Guinea. Most of that time was spent with people just emerging from the Stone Age. During the last six years however, they worked with the students at the University of Port Moresby.

Twelve years ago, they sensed the Lord was asking them to go back to New Zealand to set up a care centre. The Christian Care Centre of Auckland is an impressive medical and counselling agency. It has a team

that aims to provide care for the 'whole person', medically, emotionally, socially and spiritually. The team consists of committed Christians from all denominations, and all receive training in counselling skills.

## Counselling

As well as setting up and working in the much-respected and well-used Care Centre, John has worked part-time as a physician at the Auckland Hospital. There he has been respon-

sible for running a medical and counselling clinic for members of the hospital staff. Meanwhile, besides her work at the Care Centre, Agnes works part-time for Life Line, a voluntary community counselling agency. They both also play their part in the life of the local church.

John and Agnes do much of their teaching and counselling together. They work with couples in marital therapy and organise Marriage Enrichment weekends. They also do seminars on Family



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Enrichment, Stress Management, Self Esteem, Communication, Dealing with Anger, 'Wellness' - and retirement! They are much in demand as speakers and appear regularly on radio and television. Thousands of couples have passed happily through their hands during their marriage and engagement seminars. Meanwhile students and single people value their wise and sensitive handling of the subject of relationships in general.

## Preaching and Teaching

While they are with us, John will be preaching occasionally, Agnes will be meeting the Women's Fellowship, Link Group leaders will benefit from their teaching, parents will have the opportunity to learn from them (they have five children and eight grand-children so they are well qualified!), and those interested in brushing up their counselling skills will have the opportunity to attend a series of seminars that they will be conducting. Watch out for soon-to-be-published details.

John and Agnes will be living at our cottage in Derbyshire but will be coming into Nottingham to work most days. If you would like to meet them

personally, perhaps offering them a meal, do please contact us. We will make sure that it goes into their diary if possible.

## Couples in Leadership

John and Agnes will also be co-leading with us a Marriage Fulfilment Retreat for Couples in Leadership. This will be at Willersley Castle, in Derbyshire from May 8th to 10th. If any couples in leadership would like to take this unique opportunity to taste a marriage weekend kiwi-style, please ask us for more details and a booking form. It would be an ideal refresher course for those who have attended such an event

before. Apply soon because it is already proving to be very popular with key couples from other parts of the country.

We greatly enjoyed meeting and working with the Sturts and value their friendship enormously. It will be a personal pleasure for us to have them here with us this Summer. We hope that many of you will enjoy meeting them too, and learning from them.

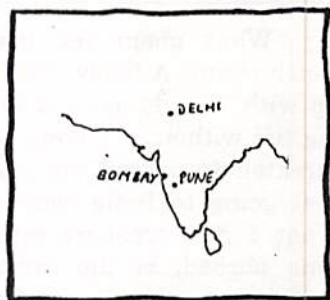
*David + Joyce*







## From Our Own Correspondent



**Two of our members write about their experiences as short-term missionaries.**

*Tanya Attwell has recently returned from short-term missionary work in India. Here, she asks . . .*

### **Does it make any Difference?**

That is the question I have continually asked myself, both throughout my three month stay in India and since returning home. Working there with the local church was definitely where God wanted me last Autumn, but was it only me that benefited?

The four weeks of September found me working in a Christian-run welfare centre in Pune. Families from the local slums go there for health care, vocational training and the kids are given a nursery education or space and help with their homework.

After a glorious week relaxing on God's finest beaches [I can agree with that, Ed], I spent the next month on

the streets of Bombay with the New Life Fellowship outreach team. We 'traced', sang, prayed and visited people in their many diverse homes.

### **We can make a difference**

At times it seemed that we only received. We were overwhelmed by the hospitality. Busy city people gave us their precious time. They created time in their schedules to include us in their respective ministries. I can only trust that there was fruit to our labours.

The Deep Griha Society in Pune certainly has four more banners on its walls and a few more homes have been contacted in the Worli area. But in Bombay we will never know the extent of our visit's impact. We just had to obey the call. Even if it's only encouraging the Indian Church through our interest, prayers and commitment, then we can make a difference.



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What about me back here in Nottingham? A lively whirl of catching up with friends, church and of enjoying life without studying can at times threaten to overwhelm the difference that going to India seemed to make. What I now treasure most from my time abroad, is the excitement and confidence of seeing God answer prayers and do miracles amongst our team and in our work. In addition, realising that the Bible is God's promised words *wherever* we are.

### **My outward securities**

This struck home during a four day youth camp, when we shared twelve people to a room for four. We ate rice for the entire time, avoided cockroaches, and encountered a very different spirituality amongst those Christians present on the conference. Only the Bible and my relationship

with God remained constant when everything else changed and took my outward securities away. There is much to say about Bombay and I hope that my visit has changed the way I push poverty from my comfortable Western mind. The street dwellers of Bombay are a permanent reality, not just while they're within sight.

### **A difference in my life**

Lastly, I am aware that I lost many prejudices, whose existence I scarcely acknowledged. As I work in multi-cultural Lenton, I am grateful for the Indian experience; having worked with and met people from many cultures within the sub-continent. I pray that it *will* make a difference in my life for longer than six months. I pray that therefore I'll be better able to serve God in the body of Christ.

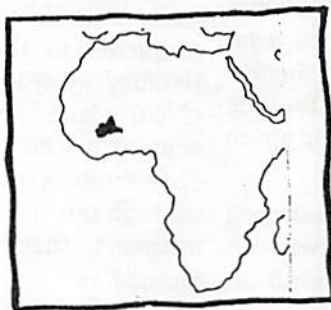
*Tanya Attwell*

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## **Light on the Horizon**

*David Sudlow has just returned from Burkina Faso [try putting that through a spelling checker, Ed]. He was working there with a team from Horizons.*

Burkina Faso is not a country many English people have



heard of. In January, I made my third visit to this dry and dusty land. Burkina, with its ten million inhabitants, lies in that stretch of land known as the Sahel. Sahel is Arabic for 'shore', the shore of the desert. It is a country frequently ravaged by





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drought and famine in recent years.

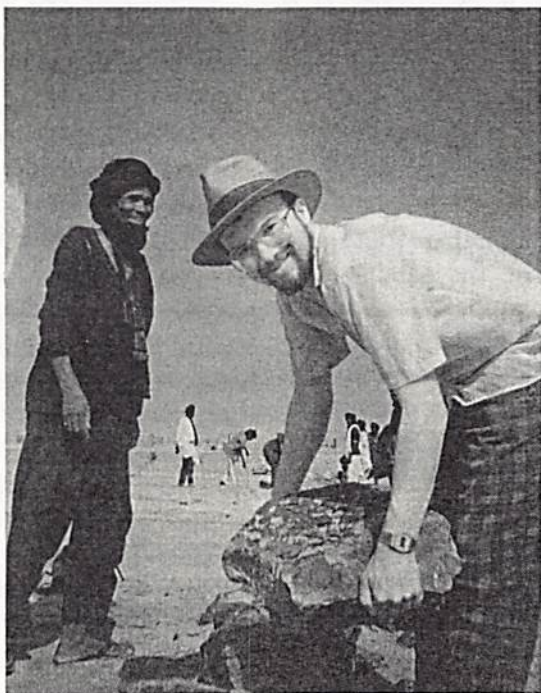
## Vision

Horizons is an Inter-Denominational, Evangelical, Charismatic mission with teams in many countries in Europe, Africa and elsewhere. The foundations of Horizons are the praying, worshipping communities in strategic locations. Horizons also lays great emphasis on the responsibility of the individual to work out the vision God has put in their heart.

Burkina has a large and growing church in the South, but is strongly Muslim in the North. Part of Horizons' vision for Burkina is to see Christians in the South mobilised to evangelise the North. The outworking of this will be a missions-orientated discipleship school in the capital Ouagadougou, or 'On the Field' training in the North-East.

## Poor quality of life

A recent United Nations survey on material quality of life, based on health, education and spending power, placed Burkina third worst in the world. Its neighbours, Mali and Niger were placed first and second. We visited a pastor in the North in January. He had no food and no money, and the next harvest is not due until September. His situation is typical.



Currently, I am training on the 'Course for World Christians', a course based at Cornerstone Church here in Nottingham. I hope to join the Horizons team in West Africa in mid 1992. My vision is to

be involved in training Bukinabe Christians for cross-cultural ministry, and to include small-scale development training in this. Burkina is a key nation for reaching the heavily Islamic countries of Mali and Niger, and even the North African states.

*David Sudlow*

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# Positive Prayer

*Lizzie Smith reports on the prayer seminar at this year's Swanwick conference. She found that her guilt-ridden negatives were transformed into inspired positives through the weekend.*

I came to this Swanwick conference as someone for whom prayer is often associated with guilt and failure. This is especially so concerning intercession for God's world. Faced with the world's problems it is easy to feel too overwhelmed and daunted even to begin to pray.

Far from reinforcing that guilt and sense of failure, the seminars by David and Joyce were full of gentle encouragement, inspiration and practical ideas. We were shown different approaches to intercession using the Scriptures, television images, our own emotional responses and our imaginations.

Several thoughts that David and Joyce shared have been particularly helpful especially regarding the Gulf conflict.

## Ideas for prayer

"Pray as you can and not as you can't." If a prayer method does not seem to help you to pray, drop it and use one that does.

Accept your own sense of helplessness. Use it as a starting point for prayer. Ask Jesus to reveal what *His* prayer is in this situation.

Harness your own emotional responses. Do not rely only on your mental understanding. "In prayer it is better to have a heart without words, than words without a heart."

I came away from these seminars encouraged to share God's heart for the world even when that means sharing His pain. I also want to co-operate with him in bringing change through prayer.

*Lizzie Smith*

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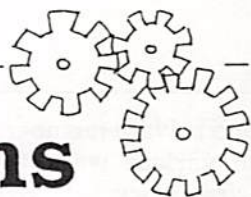
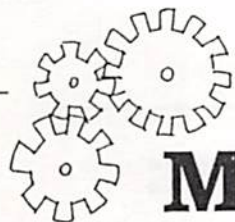


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# Machinations

*Our roving reporter from the heart of the Anglican Church, John T'd-like-to-make-a-point-of-order' Holden, keeps you in touch with the machinations of the General Synod's January meeting.*

This was a short group of sessions with some good and important debates. In particular it was notable for the extended time spent in prayer for the Gulf. There was also a very fine Bible exposition by Dr. Tom Wright from Oxford.

## German Unity

The Meissen Declaration was declared an Act of Synod. This formal act represents the Church of England's seal on a commitment to move towards visible unity with the German Evangelical Churches. The event was also celebrated later in the day by a Eucharist in Westminster Abbey.

## Penal policy

The first day's main debate was timely in view of current legislation in parliament. The original motion was somewhat bland and was sharpened by several amendments. Concern was expressed about the ineffectiveness of custody and the degrading conditions in many prisons.

## Ministry of Bishops

This was a 'take note' debate on a substantial report on Episcopacy. Many favour the view that one bishop equals one diocese. They also recognise that to create a multitude of smaller dioceses is an administrative nonsense. Others argue that leadership should be shared. This leads to the question of whether a diocesan bishop should share his leadership with a 'college' of bishops or with his senior clergy. We took note without necessarily agreeing with it all.

## To Have and To Hold

Southwark Diocese requested a review of the freehold tenure of ecclesiastical offices. They suggested it be replaced by a renewable term of years. Some said that freehold protects a prophetic ministry or unpopular churchmanship, others claimed that 'pilgrims do not need freehold'. The motion was carried with a majority.

## Length of Synod Sessions

There were no less than three Diocesan synod motions



and one private member's motion dealing in various ways with the length and frequency of Synod sessions. These were all considered in one debate. Some sought to curb costs by limiting Synod to two meetings a year, others by limiting the number of days. The actual cost of Synod sessions is a relatively small item on the budget. The concerns are noted in the motion, which was passed and the situation will be closely monitored in the future.

### **Feminist Theology**

A start was made on a private member's motion expressing the view that 'Feminist Theology is incompatible with the name and nature of God as revealed in Holy Scripture and set forth in the creeds and the historic formularies of the Church of England'. There was only time for the opening speech, so the debate will continue in July. It should produce a lively and interesting debate and give some light relief between debates on finance and legislation.

### **Retirement of Robert Runcie**

The last business of the Synod was left to the Archbishop of York. He proposed a motion recording our deep gratitude for the Archbishop of Canterbury's outstanding ministry to Church and nation. Carried unanimously with a standing ovation, a large cheque and a bouquet of flowers for Mrs. Runcie.

## **Mission: ~~Impossible~~**

*(Oxford University Mission with J. John and members of St. Nic's.)*

Over one hundred and fifty people made professions of faith, most of them for the first time, during the recent Oxford University mission. For five successive nights nearly seven hundred students packed into the Sheldonian Theatre and St. Aldate's church to hear J. John.

At the close of the meetings, students streamed forward to talk to J. John until the centre aisle was completely full. Most were counselled by other students from the Christian Union. Some three hundred and fifty copies of J. John's books "Dead Sure?" and "Life Means What?" were given away.

David Moore and Pauline Walker were among the 70-strong team of Assistant Missioners. David worked in Mansfield College, which was unusual in not having an evangelical Christian Union within the college. During the week, he made contact with a number of Christians, and managed to start an evangelical group.

All involved were much encouraged by the way that God worked during that week.

*David Moore*



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# Oh Lord, speak to me!

*Jo Rogers spoke briefly in a recent service about how God has touched her life. Here, she tells more of her encounter with the living and speaking God.*

"Oh Lord, speak to me! I just want to know you're there!" How long had I been praying this question? For years. I had always known that a closer, more personal relationship with God was available, and had longed for it. Why could I not feel God's presence?

## **A significant moment**

A few years ago, my older sister, then a Bristol University fresher, invited my whole family to a Billy Graham mission at Aston Villa football ground. My vague memories include huge crowds, traffic jams and lots of singing. I clearly remember, though, walking down to the turf, with my Mother and other sister. I knew this was a significant moment in my life, and I took it all with the seriousness and commitment it deserved.

For the next few years I did everything a Christian is 'supposed' to do. I worshipped God, prayed, studied His word, got confirmed, went on Scripture Union camps and reverently played my clarinet in the church band. But I was still not close to God.

Thankfully, all this was to change. I came up to Nottingham University in October last year, and

after getting involved with the Hall Fellowship and CU, I began to feel that God was drawing me closer.

## **Time to open my life**

At the first CU meeting of term, I prayed Rod Beadles' prayer of commitment, (although in my case it was recommitment). At once felt that it was time to open my life and really listen to God. I'm not a great listener at the best of times (as anyone will testify), but this must be one of the most important lessons of my life. God is desperate to speak to His children, if only we will listen.

Since then I've really grown in His love. The CU houseparty was a particularly uplifting time, feeling God's love and sharing Him with my new-found brothers and sisters. He's done so much for me in the past few months that my only problem now is how can I ever thank and praise Him enough?!

*Jo Rogers*

From the letter that came with the article:

The whole exercise of being interviewed and having to write this account has been especially useful to me. It has enabled me to clarify my situation with God and to see where I stood. So I would encourage you to

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# I'm Healed

*Liz Babbs tells how God dealt with her. He spoke to her and gave her a miraculous healing. God is great!*

**I** had suffered with M.E. (Mayalgic Encephalomyelitis) for nearly two years. During that time it had caused havoc with my life, my job and my family. My energy levels were very low at times. I sometimes felt so ill that getting out of bed to go to the toilet was an exhausting experience.

## Spiritual Vacuum

On a good day, I would be able to go to church, though I had great difficulty standing for any length of time. I was usually ill the next day as a result of the energy I had expended attending. It was usual to pay a very high price for anything I did. Consequently I felt as though I were in a spiritual vacuum. I was not able to predict when I could attend church, and unable to attend link group.

As a relatively new Christian, my illness prevented me from getting to know other Christians at St. Nic's

and from socialising generally. This further served to isolate me adding to the desperate loneliness I was already experiencing. Considering I had been a hyperactive extrovert, even I could not

recognise the vegetable-ised blob that was me! These last two years have almost seemed like a lifetime, a prison sentence with no definite end. It certainly seemed like a 'wilderness experience' and yet I knew that God was there in my suffering, but it wasn't until I really opened myself up and surrendered myself completely to Him, that He

was able to work powerfully in my life.

## Utterly Broken

Just before Christmas things seemed to have reached a crisis point with my illness. I had been forced to return home to live with my parents again. No matter what treatment I tried, my health deteriorated. There seemed no prospect of me returning to work or resuming any kind of normal life in the near future. Consequently, I





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felt so utterly broken, that I now found myself in a position to ask God to heal me. I had surrendered myself to Him and prayed from this position of absolute weakness and He certainly heard!

The first communication from God came as a result of reading a meditation in Joyce's 'Open to God'. The communication was not clear and as God had never spoken to me before, I decided that it must be wishful thinking. It was shortly after Christmas that I realised that God really wanted me to go in the Swanwick Parish Weekend. Physically I knew that I was not up to it and would probably spend most of the weekend in bed. However, I knew I had to go.

### **I had suffered long enough**

During the first session on Prayer led by David and Joyce, we were 'tuning in', and God really spoke to me. He told me He wanted to heal me of my M.E. and that I should approach Joyce for prayer. I found this communication really embarrassing as I did not know Joyce and I would have to overcome a considerable amount of pride to ask for help. Consequently, I tried to ignore this message although it was very persistent. On Sunday during the final session, God spoke to me again

even more clearly. He said that He wanted to heal me of my M.E. and that I had suffered long enough. I should approach Joyce for prayer and then I would be free to go out and spread His word.

It was as Joyce and Clare prayed with me that I felt as if plugs in my feet had been pulled out and all the bad M.E. blood was drained out and new blood transfused in. In with the new blood came the huge surge of God's healing love. I also felt as though I was like the Christ child secure in Mary's arms, bound and hugged in by the love of God. Shortly afterwards I went to lie down. After several minutes I found myself moved to tears from the heart that God should want to do this for me. I felt most unworthy and yet He had still reached out to offer me His comfort in such a special and meaningful way.

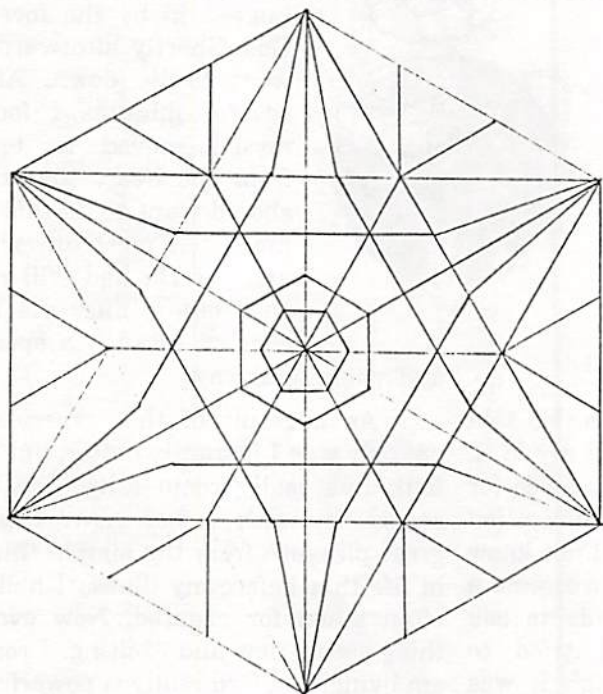
As a result of this experience, not only was I instantly better, but my faith has really come alive. My life seems so much richer now. I gain great pleasure from the simple things in life that before my illness I had so often taken for granted. Now everything seems new and exciting. I really am living, and God really is powerful.

*Liz Babbs*





☆ There are thousands and thousands of people round the starry throne of our God. See if you can find your way round the people to the very centre. Start from the outside.



☆ Jesus sometimes called himself a Bright Morning Star. Here is a star pattern for you to colour.



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## Searching for the Right Words

- ☆ In this word search are hidden all the words in a famous quote from Revelation chapter 21. When you have found all of the words, the letters remaining will spell a word often heard in Heaven.
- N F E H L A T H E B  
O O R C E L L L A E  
R M O U R N I N G S  
E L M L E Y A W A U  
D E A T H N I A P J  
R O F A T H I N G S  
O D E S S A P H G !

There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.

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## Your Number's Up!

- ☆ Add together the numbers given by the questions. All of the answers are in Revelation, somewhere!

How many letters to the churches?

9

How many elders round the throne?

How many living creatures?

How many gates in the new Jerusalem?

0

How many were sealed?

For how many years will Satan be imprisoned?

How many chapters in Revelation?

How many lamps in the city?

How many idolators in the city?

How many horses?

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The Heart-beat of our Community

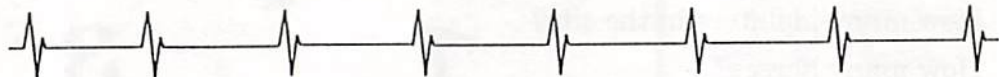
## A Poem of Easter

At the table, the Passover took place.  
Jesus sat there full of grace,  
Jesus' face was full of tears,  
He'd only lived there thirty years.

Jesus told his friends to pray,  
But they couldn't think of what to say,  
Jesus died on Calvary's cross,  
But remember though, God's our boss.

The story didn't finish on Calvary,  
It was the day of victory,  
The empty egg represents the tomb,  
God will come again one day soon!

*Beth Mackwell aged 12*





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The Heart-beat of our Community

## Rendez voUs

- ☆ R.U. .... at home between 10:00am and noon? Or
- ☆ R.U. .... the parent of School aged or older? Or
- ☆ R.U. .... interested in discussing a variety of topics? And
- ☆ R.U. .... looking for friends, fellowship and fun?

U.R? Then RendezvoUs is for you.

A group of 5 or 6 of us have started meeting once a month, usually on a Thursday morning, with an occasional lunch. You are welcome to join us, regularly or occasionally. Our next meeting is on Thursday 21st March, at Irene Offord's house, 5, Tattershall Drive, The Park. Kids are not a prerequisite for this group. If you are free at the time we meet and are interested, then come along. For more information please contact me on 399952.

We look forward to seeing 'U' !

*Anne Sare*

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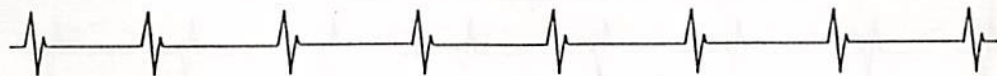
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☆ Hallelujah!

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- ☆ The Editors' grateful thanks go to Wollaton Priory Link Group who aided and abetted the production of this magazine. If any other Link Group would like an unusual evening, we'd be happy to help.

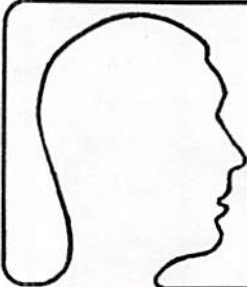


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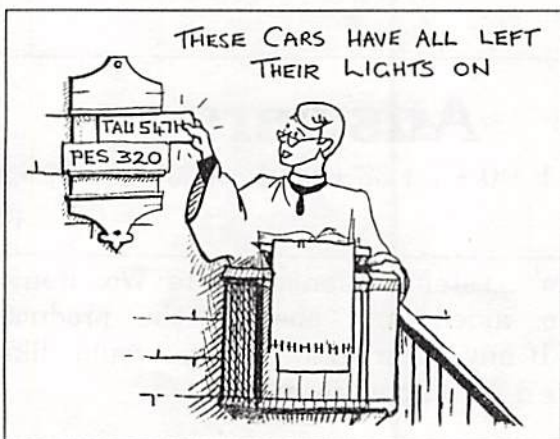
## Profile of a Group

### Contemplative Prayer Group

Over the past year, a number of people at St. Nic's have expressed a desire to be a part of a Contemplative Prayer Group. From these various enquiries have emerged three new groups, and plans for a fourth. These include one that meets during the day. By the time this is read, all the groups will have met at least once, on a monthly basis.

The reports from the groups are exciting! People have been very encouraged by the opportunity to meet and pray alongside others from the church. (Many had not met each other before!)

If you, too, would like to be part of such a group, or would like more details, contact: Kath Walker (250111) for Evening Groups or Ann Hart (288413) for daytime groups.





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## They're Coming to Take You Away!

Are you:

- ☆ Looking for an opportunity to do some Christian service over the summer?
- ☆ Concerned for the urban priority areas of Nottingham?
- ☆ Interested in working with young people?
- ☆ Keen to grow in ministry and leadership?
- ☆ Wanting to share in Christian Community for a while?
- ☆ Wanting practical teaching/ training in youth ministry?
- ☆ Hoping for an active holiday in North Wales?
- ☆ Are you a committed Christian, aged between 18 and 98?

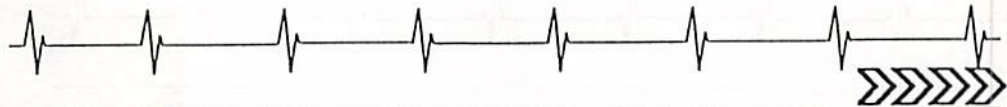
If your answer is 'YES!' to one or more of these questions, then you might like to consider being a N.U.C.H. youth leader.

N.U.C.H. (Nottingham Urban Churches Holiday) is a scheme set up by Nottingham churches. It provides a holiday for local people who otherwise would not be able to afford one. In 1989, 250 people went. In 1991, N.U.C.H. is taking 350 people away to Kinnel Hall in Wales from July 27th

to August 3rd.

David Beales is currently seeking a team of 15 people to work with 60 teenagers at N.U.C.H.. The team will gather on Monday July 22nd for four days of preparation and training based in Nottingham, before catching a bus to Wales on Saturday 27th July.

No special qualifications are required, except energy, enthusiasm and patience, together with a commitment to serve Christ and the N.U.C.H.



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## Praying for St. Nic's


I have found the following helpful in praying for friends at St. Nic's.

I imagine myself walking round the church at the service the previous Sunday. I pray for people as I see them at their places in the pews. As I see the different people I know, I hold them before God and pray for their current needs.

While I was manning the church when it was open recently, I spent some time praying in the same way, but while walking round the church itself.

*Julian Doncaster*

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 young people.

If God is calling you to short term Christian work this summer, would you prayerfully consider this opportunity?

For further details, contact David Beales, 46, Chaworth Road, West Bridgford, NG2 7AB, or phone 814536.

## Accommodation

☆ House in the Meadows for rent. One double and one single room. Rent negotiable - Available 4th March onwards.

☞ Fred Denno: 861069

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## The gift of memory

Members of the Church will be interested to know about the picture that now adorns a wall in the Lower Lounge. It is a bright and cheerful picture of the Church and Church Office, as seen from the opposite side of Maid Marion Way. It was painted by Jim Jakubowski who was the husband of Hilda, who died last May.

It was given to us in memory of her, and we are most grateful to Jim for this lovely gift. It reminds us of a much loved member of the Women's Fellowship. We are also most grateful to Gordon Walker for undertaking the framing of the picture.

*Tom & Kathleen Robinson*

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# PULSE

## News!

Jeremy, Jacque and Samuel Follett are moving to Newark in June, when Jeremy takes up a curacy there. (He is to be ordained deacon at Southwell Minster on June 30th). They will be working with Graham and Jane Knott at Christchurch Newark.

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Congratulations to Elaine and Don Lloyd on the birth of Alexander Kenneth who weighed in at 8lbs 2oz on February 23rd.

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## Welcome Home

Charlotte Barratt and Andy and Lynn Lennard-Jones are due back in Britain this month. We trust that they will find the warmth of our welcome overcomes the coolth of the air.



*Sunday 7th April at  
2:00 pm*

*Welding of Rowena  
White and Rob Edlin*



*Our names and address afterwards will be:*

*Rob and Rowena Edlin-White*

*33a, Oakwood Drive,*

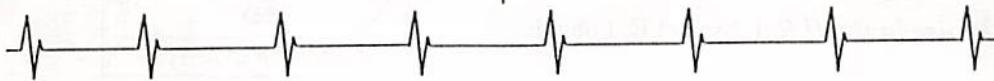
*Ravenshead,*

*Nottingham*

*NG15 9DP*

*Tel (91) 794926*

*We are hoping to move back to Nottingham before too long, and we hope that many of our friends will join us for the service and stay for cake and coffee afterwards.*



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One of the questions in an exam at Bluecoats C. of E. school was: What does a bishop do?

One child wrote: move diagonally across the board.

Apochryphal

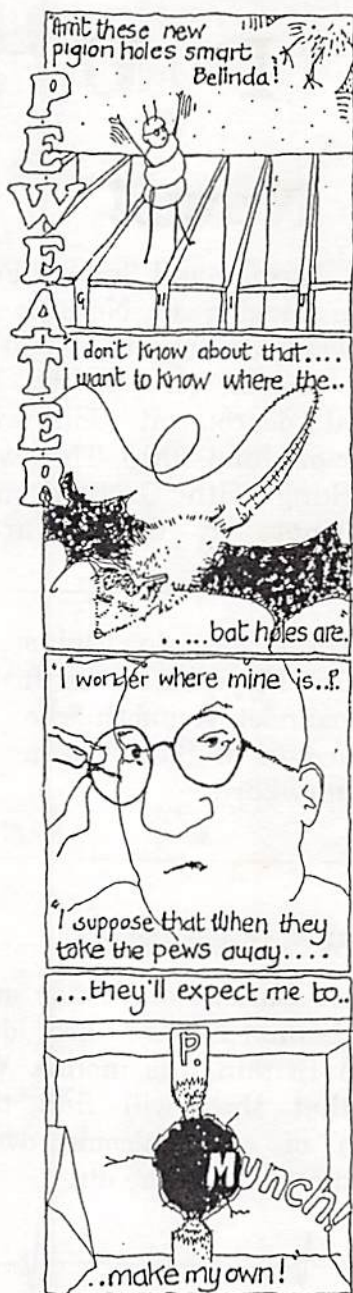
God has a wonderful sense of humour. If you want to give Him a real laugh, tell Him your plans for your life.

- ☆ If your nose runs and your feet smell, what's wrong with you?
- ☆ You've been built upside down!

## Bookshelf

- ☆ *Full Assurance* by May B. Knott
- ☆ *The Protestant Work Ethic* by Daly Grind
- ☆ *The German Charismatic Movement* by Hans Reising
- ☆ *Pray Continually* by Neil Aylott
- ☆ *God and Humour* by Joe King
- ☆ *Salt of the Earth* by Pastor Pepper
- ☆ *Intecession* by Frank and Earnest Pleading
- ☆ *Praise in the U.S.A.* by Hal E. Looyah

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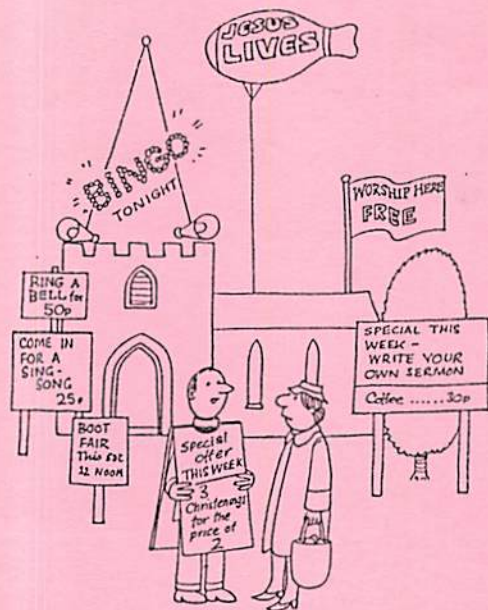
- 17th Adult Baptisms at Portland Leisure Centre 5pm.  
 21st Midland Baroque at St. Nic's.  
 22nd Day of Prayer and Fasting  
 25th PCC Meeting  
 26/27th David Huggett leading a Retreat for Holy Week -  
 Launde Abbey  
 28th Maundy Thursday  
 29th Good Friday  
 30th Decoration of church for Easter Day  
 31st Easter Day - British Summer Time begins Clocks go  
 on one hour

## April

- 7th Wedding of Ro White & Rob Edlin  
 19th Enthronement of Archbishop of Canterbury  
 20th Librarians' Christian Fellowship Conference in St.  
 Nic's.  
 21st Welcome to Rev. Jeremy Fletcher and Julia +  
 Nicholas  
 23rd Annual General Meeting in Church  
 25th Licensing of Jeremy Fletcher at Southwell Minster  
 11am.



DINNER AT PAUL'S  
NEXT THURS



'Yes, things have certainly changed since we've been privatized.'



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