

Lingdale

1st May 2009

The Mayor of Redcar and Cleveland formally opened the re-vamped area next to the Church on May 1st. Well done to all those involved especially the children from Lingdale Primary School who helped with the design - it looks brilliant!

Flower Rota

7th June	Mrs M Saunders
14th June	Miss J Scarth
21st June	Mr T Waller
28th June	Mrs J Scott
5th July	Mrs P Green

Lingdale Calendar

Sun 12th July 4.45pm A Church Meeting is to be held prior to the evening service.

Weekly

3rd Sunday of month 5.00pm Funtime Craft Club followed by Family Worship at 6pm
 4th Wednesday of month 2.00pm Worship at Prospect Place

Preachers

		7-Jun	14-Jun	21-Jun	28-Jun	5-Jul
Marthon	9.30am	M Robb Church Meet	M Robb	C Morrison	Group Service 10.00am	K Harris
	6.30pm				C Morrison Communion	
Lintho	11.00am	L Bustard	M Robb Parade	J Harper Communion	No Service	J Harper
	6.30pm					
Guisbo	9.30am	N Johnson Communion	C Eddowes	M Robb Guiz Kidz	No Service	M Robb Communion
Redcar	11.00am	J Harper	C Morrison Joint Service	M Robb	No Service	M Robb Communion
Lingdale	6.00pm	M Robb	M Robb Communion	C Morrison Craft & Family	No Service	M Robb Communion

Material for the July/August Magazine to church editors by Sunday 14th June please

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Christian Aid Walk ~ Steven Etwell and Grant Sutherland.

At 5.30am on the 10th May we set off for a leisurely journey to Lancashire. We arrived at Cabus at 7.40am and were soon met by a member of the group we were going to walk with. He took us back to his house at Garstang for tea with bacon and sausage buns. At 8.45am we went to the Discovery Centre at Garstang Tourist Information Centre and were introduced to the other walkers.

We got started our walk at 9.30am. We walked up Lower Lingart and started seeing loads of bluebells. Above the bluebells at this point was a load of black smoke in the air. When we got passed the trees we saw a car fire on the motorway near New Hall Farm. We walked over the M6 on a footbridge at Delph Lane and started to see some oystercatchers and snipes. The weather at this stage was quite dry but cloudy. We then carried on through Birks Farm into Barnacre. When we got there we came to a stone circle where we met a man who was walking from Lands End to John o' Groats. We climbed part of Nickey Nook where we saw silver birch and Lesser Celandine. At this point we had a tea stop. We next went along by Grizedale Reservoir and saw some swifts, Rosebay Willowherb and Ramsons by the edge of the water. Next we went up to Calder Side where we stopped.

There was 18 of us on this walk so we had to find something suitable for everyone to have a seat to eat our packed lunches. From here we got great views of Morecambe Bay, Heysham, Blackpool Tower and the Southern Lakes. We could also see Bleasdale Fell and Fair Snape on the other side.

This was where we walked last year on our walk for Christian Aid. We then walked down to Bank Farm near Oakenclough followed by a short, sharp descent to look at the Bluebell Woods. At 2.30pm we went into Calder Vale Village Hall for a cream tea and also a look around the village.

At 3.30pm we continued on the rest of our walk from the River Calder over to Heald Farm which took us on to Park Lane and back across the M6 into Garstang and the River Wyre. We ended our walk at 4.30pm at the Discovery Centre with another cup of tea. We had covered a distance of about 9 miles on our walk.

At 5.00pm, after we said our goodbyes to everyone, we set off on our journey home calling in at Harry Ramsden's Fish and Chip Shop at Guisley about 7.00pm for our evening meal. We got home about 9.00pm.

Grant

Would anyone who has still to give their donation for the Christian Aid Walk please do so to Steven and Grant as soon as possible.

Well done to Steven and Grant!

Thank You

Many thanks to everyone who supported Una and Joan's Coffee Morning on the 7th May. £205.00 was raised for church funds. An amazing total. Many thanks.

St Andrew's Calendar

Mon 15 th June	3.00pm	Worship at Elmridge
Wed 17 th June	2.30pm	Communion Service at Kirkley Lodge
Sat 13 th June	2.00pm	Strawberry Tea
Fri 10 th July		Concert at St Clare's, Brookfield

Weekly

Wednesday	9.30am	Prayers
Sunday	After Worship	Traid Craft Stall (Last Sunday in month)
Boys Brigade		Details available from ministers and church elders

St Andrew's

Holiday Memory Stall

Advance Notice - Doreen is once again having a Holiday Memory Stall at our Bazaar which will be on Sat, 14th Nov.2009(date for your diaries). She would appreciate if we would bring souvenirs back from holiday which she can then sell at her stall. Thank you.

Ladies Fellowship

Our AGM and Annual Dinner was held at the King's Head, Newton-under-Roseberry on 1st May. The AGM didn't last long! but we had a lovely meal and chat.

The first meeting of our new session will be on Wednesday 2nd September 2009 at 7.30pm.

Prayers for Churches Together

Instead of First Friday Prayers the new pattern of prayer is as follows. Each week one of the churches on our Churches Together patch will be the prayer focus. Please use the list below in your own prayers.

Week beginning 7th June:

St Cuthbert's, Church of England, Marton

Week beginning 14th June:

Pioneering Ministry In Coulby Newham

Week beginning 21st June:

St Mary's, Church of England, Nunthorpe

Week beginning 28th June:

Nunthorpe Methodist Church

KING OF HEAVEN, LORD OF EARTH

A five session study of

Colossians

using CDs featuring Rev Steve Brady

with opportunity for discussing the application of the message to our everyday lives.

There will be two groups as follows

16 Windsor Crescent

Tuesdays from **2.30pm-4.00pm**

led by Rev Sue Greenwood

June 16

June 30

July 7th

July 28th

August 11th

10 Farington Drive

Thursdays from **7.30pm-9.00pm**

led by Rev Meg Robb

June 11th

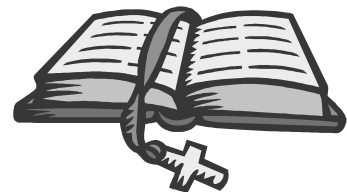
June 25th

July 9th

July 23rd

August 6th

If you miss a session at any time there is the possibility of attending the other group. This is open to members in any of the churches in the Nunthorpe area of our C.T. Group.



Please sign the list if you wish to attend.

Margaret Jane Purvis Dalglish (Known as 'Pearl')
(5th April 1917 - 21st January 2009)

Pearl and Jim came to Middlesbrough in 1964 and as she was borne in 1917 over half of her adult life was spent with us. She was only two months short of her 92nd birthday when she died.

She and Jim were brought up in Edinburgh and met each other when they were both members of the same young communicants class at Duddingston Kirk. Eventually they both became Sunday School teachers and Pearl - being a musician - also played the music for Sunday school.

As a young woman, Pearl had a career in the Civil service, working for the Post Office and later the Department of Agriculture

Jim and Pearl were married in December 1940 and like many young couples who were married during the war, they had to spend their early married life apart, finally being reunited in 1946 when Jim was demobbed.

They started their married life in Edinburgh and then moved down to Sunderland before coming here.

Pearl had a love of sport - in particular golf- a game she played successfully for much of her life, at one point becoming Lady Captain of Teesside Golf Club. Another life long interest was scouting - which began when Pearl led the Cub Pack at Duddingston Kirk. At one point she served as District Commissioner. Later, whilst living here, she served as our Scout Group Sec-

retary for over ten years. Then, in 1974, she took on a task that became a marathon - sewing tartan neckerchiefs for the 21st Middlesbrough Scout Group. This labour of love lasted for over 25 years during which time Pearl probably made over 600 neckerchiefs for cubs and scouts.

Pearl became secretary, of our Scout group (the 21st Middlesbrough) at the same time as Jim was chairman. Their service (particularly Pearl's) to the Scout movement was acknowledged and rewarded by being invited to a Buckingham Palace garden party.

Pearl had a generous spirit which was shown by her purchase of tickets for every evening performance of a show at the Little Theatre where her granddaughter Sarah was performing - just so a member of the family could be there every night to show support and encouragement.

Pearl's family remember her ability to organise her grandchildren (there were 8 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren) when they were young so that they could never say they were bored The family remember her attic bulging with anything and everything that anyone could ever want in any situation: of pancake baking and wonderful picnics put together at the drop of a hat - and of Pearl's great skill as a dressmaker that benefited many members of the family.

Even in the few months, at the end of her life, that she had with her daughter Christine was full of hope and plans for the future. She seemed to have a deep tranquillity within her. It was a tranquillity that radiated and shone from her. It was a tranquillity born surely from a deep, life long faith as well as a renewed sense of contentment after a long life well lived.

We offer our condolences to her two daughters, Margaret and Christine, and their respective husbands and families.

This text largely taken from the eulogy given by Rev Malcolm Lockey

Coffee After Morning Worship

12 th Apr	£11.00		
19 th Apr	£15.00	Children With Liver	
26 th Apr	£15.00	Disease Foundation	
17 th May	£13.00		<i>S & D Knox</i>
3 rd May	£17.90	RNLI	<i>G Williams</i>

Many thanks to those who stay after worship to help support these and all the other charities.

Linthorpe

Family News

Our thoughts and prayers go out to two long-time members of our church family:

To **Gladys Williams**, whose house was broken into whilst she was sleeping. We are pleased to say that after the initial shock Gladys is now beginning to settle down and, thankfully, is supported by her very caring family.

To **Joan Wright** who has spent a long and tedious time in hospital and rehab after her fall in December. We hope to have better news shortly.

Rotas

	Vestry	Porch
7 th Jun	M Gilmour	M Tilley
14 th Jun	H Kettlewell	G Kettlewell S Mapplebeck
21 st Jun	J Harper	H Kettlewell
28 th Jun	R Harris	E Williams

Communion Preparation

21st Jun G Williams & I Stevely

Church Flowers

7th Jun A Piercy
14th Jun TBA
21st Jun M Walton
28th Jun TBA

Scripture Readers

7th Jun V Walker
14th Jun Parade
21st Jun M Gilmour
28th Jun R Harris

Tea/Coffee After Worship

7 th Jun	RNLI	G Williams
14 th Jun	Scouts	G Rathbone
21 st Jun	Children with Liver Disease	S & D Knox
28 th Jun	Guide Dogs For The Blind	J & P Horbury

Scout Group Report

Scout Quiz - Scouts took part in the district quiz held at 24th Middlesbrough on the 7th April. Five teams took part, four from the 24th and one from the 21st. The night though not well attended was never the less enjoyed; even more so as we managed to come out as winners and 21st now appears on the trophy for a third time.

The winning team was Matthew Dent Jamie Rathbone Donavan Jevons and Patrick Severn.

Table top Sale - The district held a table top sale and car wash at district headquarters on Saturday 25th April. Many thanks to Anne Hood and Gillian Rathbone who looked after 2 stalls for our group funds and Sacred Heart church. £13 was raised.

St Georges Day Parade - This year's parade was on Sunday 26th April. The weather was good and after a march from the District HQ around Tollesby returning to the HQ and a short service to renew our promise we had several activities and a barbeque.

Explorer Scouts - have had several practice Hike/Compass trails to help them prepare for a 2/3 day expedition later in the year.

AGM - The group held its AGM on Thursday 7th May. As well as the mandatory business part of the meeting to pass the Accounts, reports and elect/re-elect members for the Executive Group, sections put on a little entertainment.

The Beavers and Cubs put on a couple of camp fire sketches and the scouts had a race to see whether it was quicker to put up a hike tent or take it down.

It was also announced officially at the AGM that the Beavers and Cub Scout sections would be closing at the end of July as our 2 warranted leaders plus 2 helpers would be leaving.

The Jumble Sale held on the 16th May raised over £240 towards Group funds. Many thanks to the Group Executive members, parents and church members that helped set up, run and clear up after the sale.

Ivor Huskinson (Group Scout Leader)

Redcar

Sunday 14th June - 11am

Our friends from Zetland Park Methodist Church join us for morning worship. Please come to welcome them and share friendship with them.

Group Service - Sunday 28th June

Sunday morning worship will be in a group with other URC joining together at St Andrew's Marton at 10am. There will be a list in the corridor for people who need a lift.

Coffee Morning

Saturday 20th June

10am - 12noon

~ Cake stall ~ Tombola ~

~ Bric-a-brac ~ Raffle ~

Tickets 50p

Mission Partnership Bible Day

I always had to work on Saturdays so I never managed to get to any Prayer Days, Bible Days etc. because they were always on Saturdays which I found very frustrating. Now I am retired and I do my best to attend them all and I thoroughly enjoy them. The Mission Partnership Bible Day was no exception those of you who couldn't make it missed a really wonderful day.

What do I remember of the day? – the beautiful banners in the Church, the labyrinth which is certainly worth seeing and I learned a lot but I always do on these special days, Oh! And Dominic's face as he listened intently to what Rev. Meg had to say at Communion which finished the day off perfectly.

Rev. Meg used the word 'ordinary' occasionally in the service, well the 9th May was just an ordinary Saturday which turned into a truly special day.

Thank you to all concerned.

Catherine Milburn

Redcar Calendar

Wed 24th Jun 7.30pm Elder's meeting at Rev Catey's

Mon 29th Jun 7.00pm The Bible Society AGM with Sue Nicholson speaking, on Israel, at Zetland Methodist Church.

Sun 2th Jul 3.00pm Sea Sunday service on the seafront, led by Rev John Weetman.

Weekly

Thursday 9.30am Prayers

10.00-11.30am Pop-in Centre

Modern

The majority of people live below the level of belief or doubt. It takes application and a kind of genius to believe anything.

T S Eliot British poet and dramatist (Later 20th century)

ter as we tried to remember the story of the lost sheep. I can't think how I came to be on the "noisy table". Ken really challenged us with the story of Abraham who was prepared to sacrifice Isaac. In these times sacrifice seems to be an outmoded concept and yet quietly, in many walks of life, sacrifices are being made, of time, of money and of lives. I really enjoyed the drama workshop but it is not everyone's cup of tea. To put yourself on the spot and try to dramatise a well known Bible story from an unusual point of view is quite an adrenaline rush. I'm beginning to understand the meaning of that book title "Feel the fear and do it anyway."

lot in a short space of time.

We have a social calendar at Guisborough, thanks to Ray, and enjoyed a lovely meal out in Lealholm. Catey drove and I gave directions as we took the scenic route arriving just in time for our dinner. The food was delicious, the view over the river enchanting and the company excellent. I would love to go back to The Board Inn whether for their walker's lunch, a quick drink or another dinner. It was too dark to tackle the stepping stones when we came out but I think the Morrisons might be back some time to give them a go.

Donna Moore

Can education and entertainment go together? I've been learning again, this time about medical matters. The day course at Newcastle was liberally sprinkled with cartoons, jokes and funny video clips. It certainly kept us all awake, along with cold blasts from the air conditioning, and I do feel I learnt a

Guisborough Rotas

Date	Vestry	Communion	Door	Flowers
7th June	D Cross	B Ward	D Moore	M Robson
14th June	M Burrows		J Basham	C Robertson
21st June	D Houston		M Houston	J Basham
28th June	St Andrew's URC at 10.00am (No service at Guisborough)			

Guisborough Calendar

Sat 6 Jun	8.00am	Prayer Breakfast – Hosted by the Methodist Church at 11, Swallow Close.
Thu 11 Jun	7.15pm	Finance and Property Committee Meeting.
Sat 13 Jun	10 – 12 noon	Farmers' Market – Church Open Day. Volunteers welcome.
Sun 14 Jun	10.00am	Guiz Kids – Guisbro' Churches JC's joining together at Prior Purseglove Sports Centre.
Tue 16 Jun	7.15pm	Church Meeting.
Wed 17 Jun	7.00pm	Mission Partnership Leadership Team Meeting at Lingdale URC.
Sun 21 Jun	11.00am	Church Walk starting from the Danby Moors Centre, after coffee in church, around 11.30am. The walk will be four miles with an optional shorter route of two miles.
Sun 28 Jun	10.00am	East Cleveland Group Anniversary Service at St Andrew's URC, Nunthorpe. No services in the other Group Churches on this day.

Weekly

Tuesdays	12 noon	Bible Study
Thursdays	9.30am – 11.45am	Coffee Morning
Thursdays	11.30am	Prayers and reflections with Catey, Meg, Ken and others

A Plea from Christian Aid

The Government must do more to help charities that work in developing countries during the present financial crisis according to Christian Aid Director Dr Daleep Mukarji. Speaking in the run-up to Christian Aid Week he revealed that the plunging value of the pound had cost the charity around £15m. 'We pay for offices, staff and partners abroad. The collapse of the pound has cost us 25% of the value of our money. Put simply, our purchasing power is about £15m less than it was a year ago,' said Dr. Mukarji. 'This has had a serious impact on our partners and other beneficiaries. We are grateful that the government has not cut the aid budget, but I am sorry they are not funding us to cover some of our costs. In the recent budget the Chancellor announced he was putting money into domestic charities, but international charities seem to have been left out.' But Dr Mularji added 'our supporter base is strong and loyal. We are grateful to the many churches and their members who support us in Christian Aid Week and throughout the year. I'm confident that at the end of this period of economic difficulty, Christian Aid will emerge stronger than ever.'

CTE-News

Back to Church Sunday

Members of the URC are joining churchgoers around the world in personally inviting more than half a million people to church services on *Back to Church Sunday* – one of the largest ecumenical evangelism events staged across Britain. Christians across the UK and further afield are encouraged to invite someone they know who used to attend church to come back on 27 September 2009. *Back to Church Sunday* was originally an initiative of the Church of England, but this year will be supported by the URC, the Methodist Church, ACTS, the Church in Wales, the Baptist Union of Great Britain, Elim Pentecostal churches and Anglican churches in Australia, Argentina, New Zealand and Canada. The initiative is supported by a website and resources such as special welcome T-shirts and party packs of fairly-traded drinks and snacks, produced in partnership with Traidcraft.

Christian Today

Baptists' 400th anniversary

Baptists from Europe and further afield are to mark their 400th anniversary in July in Amsterdam, where the first Baptist church was established in 1609 by British exiles fleeing religious persecution. From these modest beginnings the Baptists spread through England, North America and Europe and beyond to become a worldwide movement with a community of around 100 million members today

Guisborough

When I last wrote I was packing for France. We had a wonderful holiday staying with friends and their 5 offspring. They all play at least one instrument and practice every day, with only a little nagging. The house was filled with music from Baroque trumpet to saxophone. We had our first go at walking with snowshoes and were left well behind by the youngsters. I felt surprisingly secure going up steep hills, though very out of puff, but the best bit was sliding downhill on my bottom. It is good to be a child again sometimes. The mountains where they live are so beautiful but this is just home for them, it is so easy to take for granted the loveliness that surrounds us.

The East Cleveland Group walkers have started again. We meet the first Saturday in the month and are not just from the East Cleveland Group either. Stephen led us on a gentle walk around Roseberry Topping in April and in May we walked round Westerdale. I've explored this area on foot and by car many times but had never visited this spot. The village is lovely and quiet with a pretty little church which was open so we could look inside. So far we have been blessed with good weather.

Our church was well represented at the Mission Partnership Bible Day. I gained a lot from the workshops I attended. There was a lot of laugh-

Synod Prayers

Week beginning 7th June

'8 Churches' Mission Partnership
Retired ministers and those not in pastoral charge

Week beginning 14th June

North Tyne Group
Lay Preachers

Week beginning 21st June

Newcastle North/Central Mission Partnership
Elders

Week beginning 28th June

Newcastle East/Coast Mission Partnership
Paul Richardson (Anglican Assistant Bishop of Newcastle)

Manse Prayers

Manse Prayers are held every Tuesday at 8:45am and everyone is welcome to attend. Venues are as follows:

Tuesday, 2 nd June:	Marton	<i>(prayers for Linthorpe)</i>
Tuesday, 9 th June:	Guisborough	<i>(prayers for Redcar)</i>
Tuesday, 16 th June:	Marton	<i>prayers for Guisborough)</i>
Tuesday, 23 rd June:	Redcar	<i>(prayers for St. Andrew`s, Marton)</i>
Tuesday, 30 th June:	Guisborough	<i>(prayers for Lingdale)</i>

Guisborough: 31 Oakley Close

Marton: 10 Farington Drive

Redcar: 31 Torcross Way

Sponsored Bike Ride 16/17 June 2009

George and Norma Johnson riding tandem Marske to Clitheroe (approx 113 miles)

Dear Friends

Your ministers, Meg and Catey, have given me permission to make this appeal for sponsorship in aid of Clitheroe URC's "Raise the Roof" fund. Two years ago the church membership embarked on a Vision Project to renew the church building and its links with the wider community. The Church has been working closely with both architect and a consultant in the regeneration of buildings. The Church was built in 1862 and the re-roofing of the building (at a cost of £120,000) is the first phase in order for the wider vision to evolve. Many people have worked very hard to raise the money. The fund currently stands at around £90,000 and folk are making an all out effort to ensure that the roof work is carried out this summer. Hence the reason for my making the appeal as wide as possible and for a non cyclist the challenge! (ever the optimist)

Norma

Ancient

He who loses gold or silver can find more to replace it, but he who loses time cannot find more
Anonymous saying of the Desert Fathers and Mothers (4th century)

Vision4life: Bible Book Club

For June you are invited to read **Galatians**, one of Paul's letters, and here is a little background information and some guidelines for your reading.

Galatia was a region in what is now Turkey and it was here that Paul helped to establish a group of churches there. Paul's letter probably went to the churches in Antioch, Iconium, Lystra and Derbe, which were all within the Roman province of Galatia. Paul suffered opposition from people in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra on first arriving in the area (read Acts 13-14) but, nevertheless, he and Barnabas were able to set up Christian communities there.

Sadly once the new churches were established others joined who had a different understanding of the gospel and tries to impose their own ideas on these churches. Fortunately word of this reached Paul and he wrote his letter to the Christians in Galatia in light of this.

Often on his journeys Paul would find his first converts were those who were on the margins of

synagogue life. Jews in these regions were used to converts to Judaism and such converts were then required to adhere to the Law of Moses and to be circumcised. The newcomers in the churches throughout Galatia wanted converts to Christ to undertake the same requirements. This led to a great debate in the early Church (read Acts 15).

Paul challenged this teaching wanting Christians in Galatia to understand that God did not want followers of Christ to be bound by guilt and fear but to know the freedom of his acceptance and love. Chapter 3 begins with Paul addressing 'You foolish Galatians!' I wonder what he would say to the congregations of the East Cleveland Group?!?

Remember, if you have any questions or comments, put them in the Book Club box in your church.

We will look at Galatians as a Group at our **Group Service on 28th June at 10.00am** at **St Andrew's URC**, Cypress Road, in Marton.

GROUP SERVICE

Sunday 28th June 2009

10.00am

St Andrew's URC, Marton

This will be a Book Club Sunday Service led by the Group Worship Team and focusing on Paul's letter to the Galatians

Apart from St. Andrew's usual bi-monthly evening communion service there will be no other services in our Group that day.

If you need transport, please ask. Please note the time.

A planning meeting, to which all who would like to take part in leading the service are invited, will be held at 7.30pm on Monday 15th June at the Marton Manse

2010 Trip to Iona

Catey is thinking of organising a trip to Iona during the summer of 2010. Would anyone vaguely interested in going please speak to Catey in order that she can know the likely take up of such a trip to help with planning? It would be planned to take place during the school holidays next year.

Group Day Out

Fountains Abbey and Studley Royal Gardens

Plans are underway for a Group Trip to Fountains Abbey and Studley Royal Gardens to take place on September 5th 2009. Catey is enquiring regarding prices and group discounts, but would like to know NOW rough numbers of those planning to attend this day trip in order that a coach of an appropriate size can be booked. Numbers from each church to Catey asap please and get praying for good weather!!!



Vision4Life Bible Page

As part of Year 1 of Vision4Life focuses on the bible perhaps this page will help you to find different ways into the bible... and maybe you'll enjoy it.

This month's book is **Galatians** and the word search focuses on that book.

Word Search

F	E	P	I	S	T	A	B	E	D
O	R	O	L	A	T	I	A	T	O
S	A	E	L	Y	S	T	R	A	R
P	N	R	E	L	I	N	N	L	E
I	T	S	L	D	C	P	A	U	L
R	I	T	A	E	O	E	B	L	T
I	O	O	W	R	N	M	A	N	S
T	C	S	A	B	I	K	S	O	I
I	H	I	R	E	U	S	L	A	P
C	I	R	C	U	M	C	I	S	E

- PAUL
- LYSTRA
- DERBE
- ANTIOCH
- ICONIUM
- LAW
- SPIRIT
- EPISTLE
- FREEDOM
- BARNABAS

Find the words which are all connected with the book of Galatians. There are names of characters in the story and places in the region of Galatia where Christian communities had been established along with some key words from the book.

Quiz

- Did Jesus say that King Herod was like a bat, a fox or a lion?
- Who is the odd one out, and why: Abigail, Michal, Ruth and Bathsheba?
- Whose grandmother was called Lois?

Answers from May edition - Quiz

- Where in the Bible would you read about the life of David? **1&2 SAMUEL**
- Who woke up after his wedding to find he had married the wrong woman? **JACOB** (Genesis 29: 14-30)
- How old was Jairus's daughter when Jesus healed her? **TWELVE** (Luke 8:40-56)

Summer Camp at Crathorne

From 3pm on the 4th July to 3pm on July 5th there is going to be a Children's Summer Camp at Crathorne. This will be a time of fun and games, camp team challenges, a night hike and more – oh, and lots and lots of sleep!

Indoor activities will be available if it is wet! Please see Catey (01642: 471778) if you haven't already got an application form. Tents will be provided, but you need to bring your own sleeping bag and pillow etc. Strictly no midnight feasts will be allowed in the borrowed tents! Sorry!



Group News

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Before I started my role as an industrial chaplain at Corus I was unsure what chaplains actually did. What is their role? Well now I have been a chaplain for over a year I am still not sure what I actually do, apart from talk and drink cups of coffee! But it is not what I do that is important here but what God does through me. I now know that he has been present in my conversations over the last year, as after what I felt was a fairly normal conversation for me, that same conversation meant much to the other person, in ways that I know it was the Spirit acting and not just the warm coffee! And this is what chaplaincy is. It is being there for people, in times of grief and sadness, in times of joy and just in the every day. It is being there for God. It is to bring God into a place where people would not expect to encounter him.

And now, with so much uncertainty at Corus, I feel that God is calling me to bring the hope of God into this uncertainty. The sure fast love of God that never fails, that never backs out of a contract or runs away when the going gets tough. It reminds me of the famous Footprints poem, God is always with us, especially when times are hard, as this is when he carries us, helping us face the uncertainty of life. And by us knowing that God is always there, looking after us, we know that whatever this life throws at us, we will be comforted by His love, and have the hope of life eternal.

Your continued prayers for those at Corus during these uncertain times are much appreciated, but whatever the outcome, we know that God's love and hope is always there.

Yours in Christ,

John