

MINISTER'S LETTER



Dear friends,

Yes I am back! If you have seen a short guy, with dark complexion around it is actually just me. Someone has told me I look darker and have a deeper Kenyan accent and who am I to argue. The furlough went extremely well a great reunion with family and friends. The few sad moments were overshadowed by the joy of being around loads of friends and family.

It is this variation of moments during furlough and on coming back that triggered my mind to compare life with a rollercoaster, highs and lows twists and turns. There were numerous highs during our furlough. We have two new additions in the family, a niece from Faith's sister and as if not to be undone one from my sister. Cuddling them gave us a lot of joy. Sherie and Kim could not keep them down and made us answer loads of questions as to how they were when young. Of course the ones I could not answer I said ask your teacher in school or Sunday school. Or what do you think Janet Fernando?

Now mentioning Kim and Sherie reminds me of something else. Sherie was very glad when granddad's cat gave birth to some kittens. She thought they were the cutest things she had ever seen and had to be stopped from holding them so much as it does not do them a lot of good. And then came a fundraising where Kim bought himself a piglet. All he is talking about at the moment is the health of his pig. We keep teasing him that it will be 'pork chops' by the time we get back but he will have none of it. His shout 'no one insults the pig'. Once he starts on how it eats, walks, 'talks' and how he taught it some English words there is no stopping. He is looking forward to another trip to spend sometime with 'Tim'. He also gave baptized granddad's puppy 'Pango'. Best still they both increased their liking for the Kiswahili and Kikuyu languages.

At the end of the day they really missed all of you and were ready to come home. Yes, I said home. For Kim and Sherie this is the place they got to know as they became more aware of their surroundings. Anywhere

away from here is that distant land. Yes, they respect Kenya as their country but here is where they know and here is where their friends are. Going back has done well though to make them appreciate the Kenyan people and country and they will be looking forward to a return trip ASAP.

It was good to be back albeit without Faith. She is still there telling tales about me to my in-laws. I need prayers to be accepted back when I return because I know I have been painted black, even the Tesco episode features nowhere for now. And for Kim and Sherie, well mum is suddenly the angel they never had. Of course you've guessed what I am then, right? She will be back to work by 1st Oct so, to my big relieve, I can be a man again.

Now I wondered how you all survived without my imposing presence but well God works in mysterious ways. We were so glad to find a fridge full of eatables, thanks to Dawn and Valerie. We also thank all those of you who, in Faith's absence, have continued to supply us with meals at the manse or at your dining tables. We even had one of the dinner rack sacks chewed by the Church (or is it manse) mouse. How wise the sages! Poor me again my kids have to continually compare my rubbish cooking with your lavish meals. I will have my revenge soon, oops pinch me I am a Christian! Simply a load of thanks to you all.

Well my return has been a mixture of sadness and joy. Well I start with joy. That is the baptism of baby Alice Day, Emma and Peter's shining angel was a great thing. We thank you both for giving us the privilege at Martin Way to share in this joyous occasion. Thanks Karen for taking part. You always bring special touch to it. May you Alice live to be a God fearing child and beacon of hope to your age-mates.

Abby and Richard deserve a good 'crap' from all of us. What a privilege to witness our own Cinderella find her prince charming. I am sure Gillian has forgiven my short memory but will remember I pronounced Louis properly. I have no words to describe the party and gig afterwards. Great speeches and good to see the members of my awkward squad and the not too awkward ones shake it off. Sure Jennine and Anne-Marie you did well but lost the marks for being unkind to the

‘Vicar’. I have since been persuaded to forgive you as long as I have a written apology.

As for the bad news well not long after we had laid to rest Connie Grant, our dear Ted went to be with the Lord. It was a big shock to all of us and we will miss him terribly. He brought joy to so many people and we will have loads of good memories of him. Goodbye mate, we shall see you one day and will be there on 21st October to celebrate a quality life of one of the greats. To Grace, Rob, Teresa and all members of the family we say Peace to you friends.

This letter would not be complete without mentioning the departure of Bob and Janet with Joan and Aunt Betty to Devon. We wish them well but they will know how much everyone appreciates great works of many years at Martin Way and Wimbledon as a whole. Their preaching, music and performing acts have touched many a people of different generations, parents and later their kids. What a lasting legacy. May you have bags of friends down at Devon and do always come back. At Martin Way and our homes there are many rooms, if it were not so we would say. With love!

So the church of God moves on and life moves on and as you may now agree so much as a rollercoaster. We once went to Chessington Gardens and as we stood in a queue for our turn on a rollercoaster the ride was dramatically stopped half way through. We stood staring up at the people stuck half way around the track. Whilst some of them were relaxed and enjoying the view others looked petrified at being stranded in mid air, some had their eyes tightly closed, some cried out and just wanted to get off. Do we sometimes feel like those people on the rollercoaster? I guess our church family feels like so right now. When friends suddenly leave us for whatever reason how do we feel. Having experienced some of the ups and downs of the ride we’ve come to an unexpected stop. Have we felt like screaming and getting off the ride altogether. We can also see that, if and when the ride starts again and if we are still in our seats, there are more bumps and twists and turns just ahead. The rides at Chessington have a safety mechanism of some kind to keep you in your seat, the rougher the ride the tougher the restraint. But when you take your seat and the strap comes across your waist or the bars come down over your shoulders the thought always flashes through your mind...will it be strong

enough for the ride ahead.

On life's rollercoaster rides what is it that keeps us going? What is it that sustains us and encourages us to carry on? What holds us safe when we are thrown upside down? What is it that keeps us in our seat when we would otherwise want to get off? Is it a fear of failure and our worry what other people think of us? Is it our own dedication, a sense of vocation, of calling? Is it the support we receive from others? Maybe it is the faith we have, in our selves, or God, or a combination of both. My recent experiences have made me question whether any of these things are indeed adequate for the task, yes even, or maybe particularly, my own faith. I have come to the hope that rather it is the faith that God has in me that is the only thing strong enough to accompany me on the journey. That however high or low or twisted or upside down in life we feel, our own strength is inadequate to keep us on track, but I pray that God's love for us and the faith of God in us will always be sufficient.



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TED ASHWOOD

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing away of Ted Ashwood on Thursday, 14th September 2006 of irreversible pulmonary fibrosis. He was a great stalwart of Martin Way and his contribution to many areas of the church, not least his music, will be sorely missed. Our prayers and condolences go to Grace, Teresa and the rest of the family. His funeral service took place at the NE Surrey Crematorium (Garth Road) on Monday, 24th September 2006 at 1pm.



There will be a service to celebrate Ted's life, at Martin Way Methodist Church on Saturday, 21st October 2006 at 2pm, all who knew him are welcome to attend.

A LATE TRIBUTE TO BOB, JANET AND JOAN

This tribute to Janet, Bob and Joan was part of their leaving party and unfortunately did not make it to the special article about them last month. So I take the opportunity to include it in this month's Newsletter. I know Janet and Bob asked for no speeches and also double checked with me that there would not be any at the party, but of course we could not let them go without something being said because they have all had a big influence in many people's lives.

First we want to thank Joan for all she has done here at Martin Way. She was the Sunday School Superintendent for many years and Albert her late husband was the SS Treasurer and Overseas missionary secretary. Joan and Albert both attended the lunch club and coffee & chat, now Bet comes to the lunch club with Joan. There was a sewing club that used to meet, led by Mrs Maggs, (who some may remember) people bought their sewing machines to the church and made items for charities etc. (My mother was not sure if Joan belonged to that group, but we were sure she would have been.) When there were craft fairs for fund raising for the church Joan and her sister Bet would make things for that and run their own stall.

Joan was a milliner and made my headdress for my wedding, which I still have and have used as a prop in Tick Tock! She has also made hats for pantomimes that we have put on here at Martin Way. Most people will probably remember Joan for the flowers she would arrange for church services with others especially at Harvest, and Christmas and also for weddings. Janet obviously got all her talent from her mum. We wish you all the best Joan as you start your new adventure in Devon.

I have known Janet all my life and she has always as far as I can remember worked with the young people of the church, better known as the YPF, taking groups away for weekends camping in church halls. Some of us went away for holidays to Ireland and Scotland – now of course it is Swanage. I can remember once driving Janet's car on a beach that you were allowed to drive on straight towards the sea saying "Where's the brake?" On our way to Scotland we missed a ferry and spent the night in the cars. The next morning we had breakfast in a 5 star hotel. We were fed quickly and sent on our way!

The caravan that we stayed in on the farm had horses that would raid our rubbish bin. One morning we heard the horses and Janet in a loud voice shouted out of the window, “Orse get out of our bin!” At the same time a very fine lady was passing on a horse and obviously heard.

Janet started a group called ‘Quinque’ which means Latin for 5. They were myself, my brother David, John Clark, Lesley Astin and of course Janet. We sang at many different places and also had an audition for ‘Opportunity Knocks’. (as you may gather we got nowhere.)

Bob moved from ‘Peas-down- St John, in Somerset’ to South Wimbledon for a teaching post, he got involved with the young people there and Janet & Bob’s friendship grew. On the 27th July 1974 they got married here at Martin way. We thought Janet would get married with a black eye that day because the week before the YPF went to Epsom Downs and someone’s shoe flew off and hit Janet and she spent the evening at casualty!

Sigma has been Janet & Bob’s baby; this is where Bob can show his outstanding array of musical talent and his inability to learn any words. He has a strange taste in music which is not helped by others sharing his obscure and varied taste. Sigma was originally called ‘Circuit Youth Choir’ the name changed because of the word Youth! Some of us don’t fit that category – Even though some pretend to do! ‘We may be getting older but, we refuse to grow up’

We have done some great productions with Sigma and even gone on tour with some. They have been great fun and hope that we will be able to continue with a similar group. It has been an honour to have been accepted into your family with John and the late Jean Butland as Godparents to Peter and Andy and also to have Janet as a fairy Godmother to Lucy. We will miss you all at Martin Way but we have learnt a lot from you and will try our best to carry on all the things you have started here.

Anne Conquest

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‘True friendship is a plant of slow growth, and must undergo and withstand the shocks of adversity before it is entitled to the appellation’

George Washington

**A LETTER FROM BARRIE TABRAHAM
WIMBLEDON CIRCUIT SUPERINTENDENT
SEPTEMBER 2006**



Dear Friends,

“I am about to do a new thing: now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?” (Isaiah 43:19)

A happy (Methodist) New Year! and a new format for my quarterly letter. Of course, God is always ‘about to do a new thing’. The important thing is that we indeed perceive it. This is why, perhaps the writer of the Book of Revelation pleads at the end of Chapter 4, ‘Let anyone who has an ear, listen to what the Spirit I saying to the churches’. If we do this simple thing, we may discover some surprising things springing forth!

A New District

Well, it’s finally here, and even if you weren’t able to be at the launch at Westminster Central Hall on 2nd September, you will no doubt have shared in the liturgy which our churches were invited to use, to celebrate its in caption and pray for its future. And a reminder again that we now have a new Circuit number – **35/26**, not 3/13!

Our thanks go to David Mortimer, Rob King and all who helped put together the superb **Circuit Stories DVD** for the District, which celebrates five different aspects of the work of God in the Wimbledon Circuit. I hope as many as possible will see it because it’s a reminder of the richness and diversity of the gifts which God has entrusted to us. You will notice that the DVD does not include details of the three major building projects: more about those in the future! The new church in Wimbledon is taking shape, and building work is beginning at Worcester Park.

People in the news

The first is to re-iterate our welcome to **Rev Margaret Adams** who has joined the Circuit Staff. Although she is planned mainly in her own section (Stoneleigh and Ruxley) during this quarter, I hope that before too long she will have conducted worship in every church in the Circuit.

Though **John Nyota** is back with us, **Faith** will not be returning from Kenya until the first week of October. We have missed them both very much!

Bob and Janet Hamblin have departed, but two people have expressed an interest in having a note to preach; their names will hopefully appear in the next Plan.

We are delighted that **Andrew Jacobson** has been ordained as a priest and, also at Ruxley, that **Ann Cockram** has qualified as a Lay Reader. **Carol Cowes** has been ordained as deacon and joined the ministerial team at Worcester Park.

We give thanks to God for two of our preachers who have passed important milestones: **Neville Mynett** and **David Eagle** have completed 40 and 50 years as fully-accredited Local Preachers. Congratulations to you both, and long may you continue as ‘Mr Wesley’s preachers’!

Our love and best wishes also go to **Wendy and Michael Meech** and to **Lillian and John Dakin**, who have recently celebrated their golden (50) and diamond (60) wedding anniversaries. Each received a bouquet of flowers from the Circuit.

And for information:

If you are interested in attending a conference organised by the Methodist Church from 4th-7th May 2007 entitled “**Heart of Worship**” at Llandudno, I have details of the programme.

Stuart and Brenda’s Veitch’s new address is as follows: 6 Wetherfield, Stansted Mountfitchet, Essex CM24 8JA

Finally, on a personal note, I will be having the (postponed) treatment at St Thomas’ Hospital on 11th September and have been told I shall need a couple of weeks’ recovery time. However, I have been cleared for the Circuit Meeting and – hopefully – my general health will improve thereafter. It always does after a Circuit Meeting!

Peace be with you all,

Barrie

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH - OCTOBER 2006

I have been pleasantly surprised by the number of people who have said that they missed my Thought of the Month in the September newsletter. I did write it but somehow it became lost in transit between Andrew and myself.



I left it with someone who promised to pass it on, but he did not and it may now be somewhere in the archives of Morden Library where it was last seen. I've been lost in thought before, but haven't lost a thought before! But I suppose that's not completely true. Sometimes we think of something and by the time we try to recall what it was we thought of, our minds have gone blank. Thoughts are strange things. Unwanted thoughts can come and we have no idea where they have come from or why they have come.

We need to train our minds to follow St. Paul's advice –

“Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things.”

(Philippians Ch 4 v 8)

Like so much in the New Testament, it's not as easy as it sounds!

Anyway I have given Andrew a copy of last month's thought, so you will be getting two thoughts for the price of one in this month's Newsletter!

Bill Cox

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH - SEPTEMBER 2006



In one of her books the New Zealand writer Rita Snowden tells how, on returning home from one of her many trips abroad, she left the airport through the “Nothing to Declare” section because she had not brought anything back on which she would have to pay duty charges. But on reflection she realised that she had brought back many precious, priceless things in forms of memories.

No doubt John, Our Minister, brought back happy memories as he returns from his leave in Kenya just as others will have added to their store after holidays spent with loved ones.

The older we get the greater our store of memories becomes. Of course they are a very mixed bunch. Sad and unhappy ones intermingle with pleasant and joyous ones. The mountain-top experiences are there together with those when we found ourselves in the deepest, darkest valleys. But we find that, with the passage of time, the happiest memories are the ones we find it easiest to recall. Getting on for forty years ago on holiday in Selborne I walked to a disused quarry with my daughter Chris. We waited there to see the sunset and what a glorious one it was. I can almost see it now!

Our store of memories is influenced by the way we live. Shared memories are ones we cherish, so if we are selfish and self-centered, our memories are that much poorer. All sorts of things can trigger off a whole chain of memories – a photograph, a note or love-letter written many years ago, a snatch of a song, the mention of a place you visited the list is endless.

How precious is the gift of memory! May God help us to add to our store as we follow Paul's advice and think of all that is good and true, lovely and praiseworthy. It beats listening to the news any day!

Bill Cox

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ABBY & RICHARD

Abby Loft married Richard Herring on Saturday 16th September. The reception was held at the Gold Cup Suite at Sandown.

To quote one of the guests, "the bride looked radiant and groom relaxed and there was never a moment when there wasn't a smile on their faces." Our congratulations and best wishes go out to the them for a long and happy life together.

WE KEPT A WELCOME IN THE HILLSIDE



My twin brother and I celebrated a significant birthday in July and decided to have a family reunion. Nothing unusual in that except that we planned a return to our old homestead, now derelict, with a camping weekend. Where during our childhood there was only a mountain pass, there is now

an unclassified road, but very little else has changed over the years. It still has no electricity and the spring well from which we drew water every day has now dried up and the air, until we arrived in our cars, is pure and unpolluted.

Despite our attempts to get back to nature we found that it would have been impossible to come without transport, generators for the fridge, bottled water and, of course, the barbeque.

We did not appreciate as children the sheer beauty of the place, and the wildlife. What we used to perceive as desolate is now a paradise. It helped that the weather was glorious, the skies blue, the sunset and sunrise equally magical, in the evenings the singing got better and the yarns longer. We hardly slept but laughter was in abundance.

*For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies;
Father, unto thee we raise, this our sacrifice of praise.*

*For the joy of love from God, that we share on earth below;
for our friends and family, and the love that they can show;
Father, unto thee we raise, this our sacrifice of praise.*

Gwen Wildman



FAIRTRADE RECIPES

Mango & Avocado Salad with Sticky Balsami Vinegar

by Joanne Harris

Serves 4

Ingredients:

Generous handful of pine nuts
Olive oil for toasting
2 small Fairtrade avocados (not too ripe)
3 small or medium, ripe Fairtrade mangoes
1 ripe Fairtrade lime
Good quality balsamic vinegar



- Mix the pine nuts with a little olive oil and place in the oven on a baking tray to toast for five minutes, or until nicely golden.
- Meanwhile, peel the avocados and mangoes and slice them lengthways into generous pieces. Mix and arrange them on a plate – but avoid damaging the delicate fruit.
- Add a generous squeeze of lime juice, a drizzle of the stickiest balsamic vinegar you can get your hands on, and scatter the toasted pine nuts on the top.

The Ewell

**FAIRTRADE
MARKET**

Saturday 21st October, 10am - 1pm

Ruxley Church, Ruxley Lane, Ewell.

Featuring

food
beauty products
jewellery
crafts & cards
gifts
children's activities
free refreshments
and much more

LYN AND SHANNON'S BAPTISM



The 25th June was a very special day in the lives of Lynn Lawrence and her daughter Shannon. At a moving morning service at Merton Park Baptist Church both made a commitment of their faith in Jesus Christ in the presence of their friends and family. Rev Keith Mitchell led the worship and explained in simple

language what baptism by immersion means, that the ‘drowning’ to the old life and ‘emerging’ to a totally new life is a spiritual rebirth. In Shannon’s own words, when showing the baptistery to her friends, ‘it’s like having a bath’.

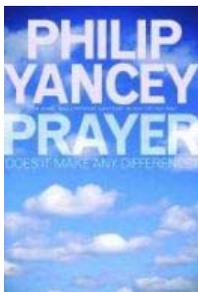
Merton Park Baptist Church was celebrating their Anniversary that weekend and the Rev. Dr Dave Smethurst was the guest speaker. He spoke moving accounts of conditions relating to his ministry in Latvian Orphanages and his current work as an Evangelist. He commended the courage of Lynn and Shannon in declaring their faith publicly and, that it is often challenging to live out our Christian faith in a secular society. However with the help and dependence of the Holy Spirit and the constant prayers of the Church family, it is made easier.



It was such a joy and privilege to be part of this celebration. Thank you Lynn and Shannon for letting me share your special day.

Gwen Wildman

BOOK REVIEWS from RE:FRESH BOOKS



Prayer – does it make any difference?

by Philip Yancey - £9.99

“I’m an authority on the struggles in prayer” - These were the humble and honest words of Philip Yancey at the launch of his latest book, *Prayer – does it make a difference?* Philip, a former journalist, says “I choose to write about subjects I don’t know the answer to!” His books are the result of time spent researching these subjects: “my readers can’t afford to spend ten months in the library reading books on prayer” he says.

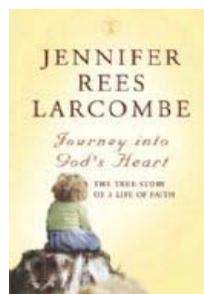
This book is not another self-help guide to prayer, nor a book aimed to guilt-trip us about our lack of prayer or failure in prayer. It is a journey into prayer with one of the most popular inspirational writers of our age. The author devotes chapters to the question “Does prayer change God?”, the “Ask, seek, knock” conundrum, the problem of unanswered prayer and the issue of prayer for healing. Don't just expect answers - but expect to have your perspective changed.

Journey into God's Heart

by Jennifer Rees Larcombe - £7.99

Jennifer made national news headlines when she was miraculously healed from a virus that had left her wheelchair bound and in great pain for eight years.

But what of life after a miracle? The consequences are wide – and often unforeseen – some have been heart warming and joyous but others have led to pain and distress themselves. Jennifer reveals how her faith has been tested over the years. For the first time she talks about the tragedy of the death of her baby granddaughter – why, she reflects, did she receive a miracle but not this tiny infant they prayed so hard for? She also speaks of the shock and grief at the disintegration of her marriage and her recent divorce. *Journey into God's Heart* is an epic saga of one woman’s journey through fire.



*Both of these books available from re:fresh books & christian resources,
23 The Broadway, Tolworth, Surbiton KT6 7DJ*

IS YOUR HUT ON FIRE?



The only survivor of a shipwreck was washed up on a small, uninhabited island. He prayed feverishly for God to rescue him. Every day, he scanned the horizon for help, but none seemed to be forthcoming. Exhausted, he managed eventually to build a little hut out of driftwood, to protect himself from the

elements, and to store his few possessions.

One day, after scavenging for food, he arrived home to find his little hut in flames, with smoke rolling up to the sky. The worst had happened, and everything was lost. He was stunned with disbelief, grief and anger. “*God, how could you do this to me?*”, he cried.

Early next day, he was awakened by the sound of a ship approaching the island. It had come to rescue him. “*How did you know I was here?*”, asked the weary man of his rescuers. “*We saw your smoke signal!*”, they replied

It’s easy to become discouraged when things are going badly, but we shouldn’t lose heart, because God is at work in our lives, even in the midst of pain and suffering. Remember, the next time that your little hut seems to be burning to the ground, it may be just a smoke signal that summons the grace of God and remember, too, that we may not always know readily who may be feeling as though their hut is on fire today!

From Trinity News, September 2005

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He who sees a need and waits to be asked for help
is as unkind as if he had refused it.

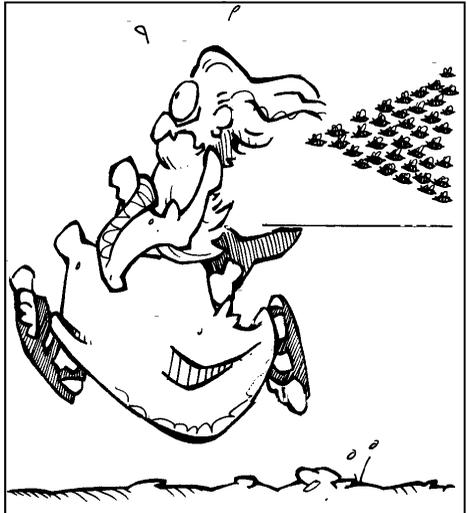
Dante Alighieri

COLOURING CORNER

Noah did not always have an easy time



ROUNDING UP THE ANIMALS - 1
NOAH AND THE BUTTERFLIES



ROUNDING UP THE ANIMALS - 2
NOAH AND THE BEES



ROUNDING UP THE ANIMALS - 3
NOAH AND THE PENGUINS



ROUNDING UP THE ANIMALS - 4
NOAH AND THE DINOSAURS

.... But he did what God wanted him to do.
Some pictures to colour



ROUNDING UP THE ANIMALS 5
NOAH AND THE RABBITS



ROUNDING UP THE ANIMALS 6
NOAH AND THE LESSER
BLACK BACKED GULL



ROUNDING UP THE ANIMALS 7
NOAH AND THE CHAMELEONS



ROUNDING UP THE ANIMALS 8
NOAH AND THE TORTOISES

OCTOBER



CHURCH DIARY

Sun	1	10.30 am	Harvest Festival & Parade Service led by Miss Jo Wells <i>followed by a Ploughman's Lunch at 12.30pm</i>
		4.00pm	SIGMA meeting
		6.30pm	Communion Service led by Rev John Nyota
Mon	2	2.45 pm	Fellowship
Tue	3	10-12noon	Coffee and Chat
		8.00 pm	Time for Prayer
Weds	4	7.45 pm	Midways Group - <i>Recipe Evening</i> - Cakes & Biscuits
Thurs	5	2.30pm	Alpha Course
Sat	7	10-12noon	Midways Group Coffee Morning
Sun	8	10.30 am	Communion Service led by Rev John Nyota
Mon	9	2.45 pm	Fellowship
Tue	10	10-12noon	Coffee and Chat
		8.00 pm	Time for Prayer
Thurs	12	2.30pm	Alpha Course
Fri	13	12.30 pm	Luncheon Club
Sun	15	10.30 am	Praise Service led by Dr Arthur Miller & Tony Loft
Mon	16	2.45 pm	Fellowship - Valerie and Graham Currie
		8.00pm	Taizé Prayer & Praise at St.John Fisher Church
Tue	17	10-12noon	Coffee and Chat
		8.00 pm	Time for Prayer
		7.30 pm	Men's Supper Club – <i>My visit to Zimbabwe</i> - Rev Bill Warren

Weds 18	7.00 pm	Midways Group - <i>A talk about the Children's Trust at Tadworth</i>
Thurs19	2.30pm	Alpha Course
Sat 21	2.00pm	Ted Ashwood <i>A Celebration of a Life Service</i>
Sun 22	10.30 am	Morning Service led by Rev John Nyota
	6.30 pm	Bible Study led by Brenda Cannon & Tony Loft
Mon 23	3.45 pm	Fellowship
Tue 24	10-12 noon	Coffee and Chat
	8.00 pm	Time for Prayer
Weds25	10.30 am	Morning Communion led by Rev John Nyota
Thurs24	2.30pm	Alpha Course
Fri 27	12.30 pm	Luncheon Club
Sun 29	10.30am	Morning Service led by Bill Cox
Mon 30	2.45 pm	Fellowship - Derek & Mary Heaton
Tue 31	10-12noon	Coffee and Chat
	8.00 pm	Time for Prayer

Please refer to the Website (www.martinway.org.uk) or Weekly Notice Sheet for any additional information

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We wish all of those who celebrate a birthday this month a very

Happy Birthday

and especially to:

Jennifer Smith on 13th October

Tyler Butland-Brooks on 26th October



ANOTHER CHANGE TO MAKE A NOTE OF

Please can you make the following alteration to your address books:



Andrew Fox has at last had his land line connected, he can now also be contacted this way as well as through email, mobile phone and in person (so there is no excuse for not passing on that article!), the new phone number is
(020) 8542 6039

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SIGMA Meeting

As you all know Janet and Bob have now moved to Devon and it would be a great shame if SIGMA does not carry on without them! So, I am organised a meeting for 4pm Sunday 1st October at Martin Way Church. This is so we can decide on a date for a Christmas production. I am looking at something we could do, but if you have any ideas please could you email them to me at aconquest@btinternet.com or phone me on (020) 8942 7147.

Even if you cannot make the meeting but are still willing to take part in any way please let me know.

Anne Conquest

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DUTY ROTA

Andy Smith (Steward) has 'stepped into the breach' and taken over from Abby during her absence to produce the Duty Rota this quarter. If you have any queries or still need to collect your copy please speak to Andy and pick up your copy as soon as you can.

Items for the **November Newsletter** should be with Andrew Fox, (email: roife@hotmail.co.uk) by **Sunday 22nd October** at the latest