

JULY 1991

The Rectory
Hambleton
June 1991

Dear Friends

PARISH WEEKEND HOUSEPARTY

We are getting ready for the Parish Houseparty Weekend, to be held at Fairmile Court, Cobham, from October 18th-20th. The Guest Speaker will be the Ven. John Went, our Archdeacon, and we shall much look forward to his ministry to us. We are working on the details of the programme.

There will be time for relaxation and for enjoying the facilities of Fairmile Court, (Tennis, Squash, Croquet, Table-Tennis, Volley-Ball, etc.).

There is a golf course nearby and some nice walks in the vicinity. I know too, that there will be a "fun" element in the programme - perhaps a DIY entertainment on the Saturday evening - and above all, a chance for different age groups and congregations to get to know one another better and to learn more about our faith. We do hope many people will come.

There are special rates for children, and we are offering a subsidy for young people who are not earning, so that they will only pay what it normally costs them to attend a HYF weekend houseparty. Fairmile Court offers a small reduction to married couples where only one partner is earning.

I know there have been similar weekends before, and hope this one will also be very well supported. For more details please contact Mrs Maureen Reynolds or Mr Tom Arden-White. If you hope to come,

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please sign the list at the back of the Church,
where there are leaflets giving more details.

The whole weekend should not only be a great
encouragement to the life and fellowship of the
Church, but should also help us as we seek to
discover God's plan for the future mission of
our Church, as we go further into the Decade
of Evangelism. It could be an exciting and
important time for our parish, if we really give
ourselves wholeheartedly to it!

Many of us are looking forward to the "New Wine"
week, and I hope that we will still aim to come
to Fairmile Court and share in the good things
which God has for us there as well.

Yours very sincerely

CHRISTOPHER BLISSARD-BARNES

PARISH REGISTERS

BAPTISMS

June 2nd : Hugh Christopher lichner TAYLOR
Jessica Emily TAYLOR

WEDDING

June 8th : Nicholas William WATSON
and
Kelley Muriel GOURLEY



FREEWILL OFFERING SCHEME

The total given in May amounted to £2,258.80.

John Taylor

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR JULY

- July 2nd 7 00pm PCC Outreach Committee,
Supper and Meeting,
Lower Burgate, Hascombe.
- 3rd 8 00pm Healing Prayer Group meet at
the Rectory.
- 6th 9 00am Meeting for Prayer at the Rectory.
- 7th 6TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
8 00am Holy Communion
10 30am Family Service and Baptism
12 30pm Barbecue for Pathfinders and
Sunday Club and their families
at the School.
6 30pm Holy Communion
- 9th 8 15pm FEBA Prayer Meeting at
14 Chestnut Way, Godalming.
- 10th 8 00pm Home Meetings.
- 13th 9 00am Meeting for Prayer at the Rectory.
- 14th 7TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
8 00am Holy Communion
10 30am Holy Communion (1662)
6 30pm Evening Prayer
- 16th 8 00pm PCC Meet at the Rectory
- 17th 7 30pm Deanery Synod Barbecue at
Hascombe. (THERE WILL BE NO
MEETING AT THE RECTORY)
- 19th PATHFINDER WEEKEND NEAR CHICHESTER.
(see page 11)
- 20th 9 00am Meeting for Prayer at the Rectory.
- 21st 8TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
8 00am Holy Communion
10 30am Morning Prayer (ASB)
6 30pm Holy Communion (with Healing
Ministry)

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July 24th 3 00pm Women's Fellowship meet at
Dennys (see page 10).
8 00pm Home Meetings.
27th 9 00am Meeting for Prayer at the Rectory.
28th 9TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
8 00am Holy Communion
10 30am Morning Prayer (1662)
11 30am Holy Communion "
6 30pm Evening Prayer
31st 8 00pm Study and Prayer Group meet at
the Rectory.

AND IN AUGUST

3rd 9 00am Meeting for Prayer at the Rectory.
4th 10TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY
8 00am Holy Communion
10 30am Family Service
6 30pm Holy Communion

CHURCH FLOWER ROTA FOR JULY

7th Mrs Muriel Campbell
14th Mrs Hannah Lyon
21st Mrs Mollie Harper
28th Wedding Flowers

CHURCH CLEANING ROTA FOR JULY

5/6th Mrs Margaret Lewis and
Mrs Sally Falk
12/13th Mrs Joan Hassard-Short
19/20th Mr & Mrs Jay Jervis
26/27th Mrs Pat Williams

HOME MEETINGS

Although the Home Meetings usually meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 8 00pm there is a slight variation for the month of July:

At Clock Barn Farm the meetings will be held on Wednesdays 10th and 24th.

At Busbridge Copse Farm on 10th and 17th.

At Little Woodlands on Wednesday 10th only.

There will be no Home Meetings held during the month of August.

On each Tuesday evening at 8 15pm a Home Meeting is held in Chiddingfold alternately at Nos 4 and 8 Yewens, which is situated off Woodside Road. If you would be interested in joining this Home Meeting, please ring Ruth Jervis on Wormley 683373 for further details.

CAR PARKING AT ST PETER'S

The PCC has warmly welcomed a suggestion by the Hambledon Parish Council that a representative working party should be formed to consider the car parking needs at the Church and to see if any proposals can be put forward for resolving the problems now being experienced.

C.B-B

The Parochial Church Council has set up a Sub-Committee to consider carefully what our response should be to the challenge of the Decade of Evangelism, and it will meet for the first

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time on July 2nd. Please pray that this Committee may be guided by God as it considers how the Mission of our Church may best be forwarded during the Decade of Evangelism, and as it reports back to the PCC.

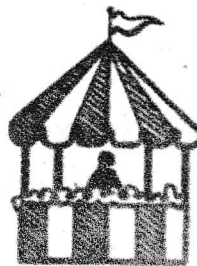
Many Churches to-day are facing the challenge given by the Lambeth Conference of Bishops to look beyond "maintenance" to "mission". In other words, the Church can never be content just to keep its buildings in good order and its annual accounts in credit, important though these things are. We must constantly be looking for ways in which to further the Church's mission in the community.

We live in challenging and momentous times, in which an increasing number of people are realising that a materialistic creed is no real answer to the problems we face and the needs we all have as human beings. I believe that we must pray for God to give us His vision as to how we should respond to this exciting challenge.

C.B-B.

Holiday Time is here again for many people. How good it is if we can use these opportunities for refreshment of spirit as well as body and mind. To worship in another Church, to read a good Christian book and to enjoy the beauties of the world around us can all help to bring us back refreshed for "the daily round and the common task!".

C.B-B.



OVERSEAS MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP NEWS

"East Asia Millions", the magazine of the Overseas Missionary Fellowship, with whom we have links through Tim and Zinnia Symonds in Hong Kong, has two articles of some interest in its June/July issue.** Both are by people who have visited and spoken at Hambledon.

Singapore

You may remember Don Cormack, the Canadian who was here in 1989, who "stood at a crossroads" in his missionary work. On the one hand he was considering working amongst Cambodian refugees, and on the other amongst drug addicts in Singapore.

He chose the latter path last year, and writes movingly about his visits to addicts in prison and in rehabilitation centres. He counsels recovering addicts, especially at "Helping Hand", a half-way house run by Robert Yeo, himself a former addict.

Hong Kong

The other article is by Tim Symonds himself, who writes about taking the gospel to Hong Kong's elderly.

In the eight years since Tim and Zinnia set up a senior citizen's centre at Sha Tin, with lay pastor Chris Chung, they have served over 700 people. The centre provides a social meeting place, a programme of arts and craft activities, and above all a fellowship meeting for presenting the gospel. There are prayer meetings and overflowing Sunday worship.

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Copies are available from John Hindley should you wish to see this magazine.

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The aims of OMF

Zinnia has put both of these stories into the context of the developing aims of OMF. It is increasingly trying to meet the needs of hungry souls in the burgeoning megacities of the Far East, by bringing the gospel to the neediest of these city dwellers, giving them fresh hope.

"How can we help?", I asked. Her reply:

"Your prayers and support are wonderfully appreciated".

Tim and Zinnia

They are returning to Hong Kong in the autumn, after a busy year in England. While here, Tim had to take over as OMF UK Acting Director for Public Ministries, so Zinnia has had to do much more of the Deputation talks herself, i.e. visits to parishes.

John Hindley
OMF Representative



HAVE YOU HEARD?

We have a wonderful array of new arrivals this month: to Frances and Kevin Bourne of Honeysuckle Cottage, a daughter, and to Fiona and Paul Greenhalgh of Rose Cottage, a son (Harry) born on 3rd June.

To Caroline (née Mabley) and Steve Dally, a daughter, (Emma), born on 9th June, a second granddaughter to Gay; and to Chris and Louise Maclay, a daughter (Emma-Louise) born on 10th June, a first granddaughter to Elizabeth.

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To Roger and Avril Gardner, a daughter (Philippa) on 15th June, a first grandchild for Brenda and Peter.

Many congratulations to all concerned!

We send our love and all good wishes to Mrs Rose Sage of Oliver Cottage, who celebrates her 97th birthday during July.

To Mrs Jean Harding our good wishes for the future as she takes up residence in Haslemere following a long period - some 35 years - at Nutbourne Cottages.

The engagement is announced of Richard Hemery and Nicky Ide-Smith, to whom we send many congratulations.

It has been good to see Group-Captain Plowright back with us after a spell in hospital and we send our good wishes to Mrs Mary Blowers who is coping gallantly with a troublesome back.

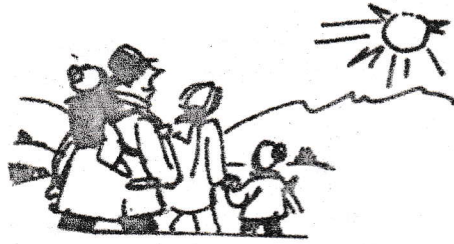
Joan Hardy is back with us again after some nine days' walking the South Downs Way from Eastbourne to Winchester. Joan will be after those who kindly agreed to sponsor her! All in a good cause - firstly Christian Outreach and secondly the Church Organ Fund.

Our good friend Sam Parker is marrying Bridget Huggins on 27th July at St Peter's and on the same day Trevor Sheppard is marrying Michaela Baigent. We send our good wishes to both couples as they prepare for their wedding day and pray that God will richly bless them in the days that lie ahead.



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"BEATING THE BOUNDS"



Our Church Treasurer reports that through the participation of members of St Peter's in the sponsored walk "Beating the Bounds", the sum of £145.00 was raised for the Church Urban Fund.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

We met on one of the best days in May to welcome Minnie Mills to our gathering once more.

This time she soon captured our interest by producing an antique teapot which, in perfect condition would, she said, be very valuable and also fulfil its intended function, but due to a crack, it had become much less valuable and less useful in every way.

She showed us that in the same way there are 'cracks' and 'flaws' in our lives which need to be dealt with in order that we may be able to lead useful and effective lives, individually and as a Church.

On Wednesday, July 24th, when we shall again be at Dennys, our speaker is to be Mrs Caroline Bradley, who is the local Health Visitor to the Elderly. Be sure to come, as she will have a lot of useful things to tell us.

Brenda Gardner

God be praised!

HAMBLEDON PATHFINDERS



The Pathfinders are much looking forward to their Venture Camp to be held at the Christian Youth Enterprises Sailing Centre at Cobnor, Chichester Harbour, from July 19th-21st.

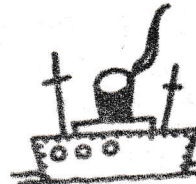
Accommodation is provided on board the 'Gerald Daniel' which is a converted ex-Royal Navy minesweeper. There are cabins for thirty, a meeting/dining area for up to sixty, fully equipped galley, shop and other facilities.

The Pathfinders will be pleased to welcome anyone who is between the ages of 10 and 14 years and who might like to come and join in this most exciting-sounding weekend.

The cost is £20 per child, which includes accommodation and all meals and a reduction of £5.00 is available for each additional child in the family. About £5.00 is recommended for spending money per child to cover hire of wetsuits and waterproofs, etc.

The weekend starts at Hambledon Rectory on Friday 19th July at 5 30pm and returns at about 4 00pm on Sunday 21st July.

If this has whetted(!) your appetite - do contact either Giles Carpenter (0483 861364) or Tim Arden-White (0428 682582) and they will gladly provide you with any further information.

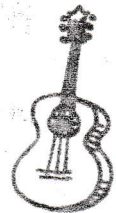


CONCERT IN HAMBLEDON VILLAGE HALL
7 30PM ON, THURSDAY, JULY 4TH



We are much looking forward to welcoming Julian Cook and his friends from Windlesham House School in Sussex, who are coming to give a concert at which there will be a chance for all of us to show our appreciation by donating something to swell the funds of the Village Hall.

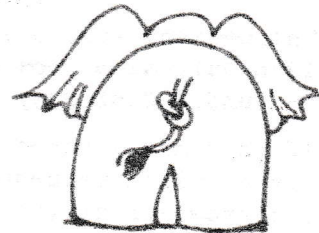
The concert will be orchestral, consisting of about 24 boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 13 years, playing wind, brass and string instruments.



They will be performing for about an hour and playing selections ranging from short classical pieces to light music, including the Big Band sound, and some well-known pieces. All will be under the expert gaze of Mr Nigel Wicken, who is Head of Music at the school.

Do come along to this essentially 'village' evening and give your support. There is nothing so demoralising as playing to rows of empty chairs!

PLEASE
REMEMBER
TO COME !!



AND AGAIN AT THE HALL

Attendance at the Coffee Lounge held from
10 00am to 12 noon on Tuesday mornings has been

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increasing over the four weeks of the trial period. Our numbers have grown from 12 to 14 to 18 and so we will continue to hold these gatherings each Tuesday. Anyone is welcome to drop in for a coffee and a chat - just come and go as you please. If transport is needed, do get in touch with either Sylvia or Mic Coleman on 682977 or Sue May on 682113.

Mic Coleman



PARISH NOTES AND NEWS

Forthcoming Events: Here is a selection of the many events of which details have recently come through:-

"That the world may believe"

This is the last chance to book for the Conference on Evangelisation at the Dome Theatre, Brighton, from July 8th-12th. Details at the back of the Church.

"Youth Festival 91" from July 19th-21st

This will be held at High Ashurst Outdoor Centre, Box Hill, near Dorking. The theme is "Freedom".. Bring your tent, your food, yourself plus friends. Details from the Rev. Nick Aiken, tel. Guildford 571826.

Starting a Counselling Centre

Waverley Abbey are holding a one-day seminar on this theme on July 22nd. They are also organising a Waverley Prayer Day on July 13th. Leaflets about both the events are at the back of the Church.

"What in the world is the Church doing?"

Come and find out at the Mission Market, Guildford Cathedral, daily from July 27th to August 18th from 9.30am to 4.30pm. A chance to view the world-wide work of Missions linked with the Guildford Diocese.

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"The Flame Group" is offering a short course which is for Christians who are at any stage of separation or divorce. It has been created to help people understand what is happening to them and to try to make sense of it in relation to their faith. There will be an opportunity to meet and gain support from other Christians in a similar situation. The course will be held at Christ Church, Epsom, on Thursday evenings for 6 weeks, beginning on September 12th. For further information contact Wendy Shutt on 0372 720088 or Christine White on 0483 571826.

"Dear Bishop"

The Bishop of Guildford invites people to write to him to say why the Christian faith is good news to them. (See the June edition of the Diocesan Herald).

His address is:

Willow Grange,
Woking Road,
Guildford, Surrey, GU4 7QS.

Please write on one side of A4 only and mark the envelope "Dear Bishop".

(This is in connection with the Decade of Evangelism).

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and views on a variety of local and national issues,
as well as on Church affairs.

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Tel. 0483 571826.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON GROUP

Hambleton Wednesday Afternoon Group met at
Feathercombe on June 12th by kind invitation
of Mrs Muriel Campbell.

The venue was particularly suitable for the
feast of song that was enjoyed by all the members.
Mrs Mary Caulder, accompanying herself with
a guitar, gave us a very pleasant afternoon of
selective songs, including folk songs, ballads
and songs of the 70's. The audience enjoyed
it so much, that when the last song was sung,
there was a plea for more!.

Also on display was a wonderful example of the
art of quilting done by the daughter of
Mrs Maureen Reynolds.

Get well messages were sent to the President,
Mrs Hilary Morrison, and we hope that she will
be able to join us again in the very near future.

The raffle was won by Mrs Janet Elderfield and
the next meeting will be "Fun and Games"
at Beechbrow, the home of Mr & Mrs Coleman,
on Wednesday July 10th.

Gwen Freemantle

MORE BIBLES FOR THE WORLD

A RECORD number of over 16 million Bibles were distributed by Bible Societies throughout the world last year, according to the Scripture Distribution Report published by the United Bible Societies. This figure represents an increase of 3.5 per cent over the previous year.

In Europe, the increase in Bible distribution was an astounding one-third (or 3.5 million), largely due to the continuing massive demand for Bibles in the USSR and Central and Eastern Europe. Countries with striking increases in Bible distribution were Bulgaria, Hungary, Romania and the USSR.

In the USSR the one million mark was broken with 1,202,538 Bibles being distributed, a 40 per cent increase over 1989. Also, Bible organisations have been founded, secular bookshops want to sell Bibles, and state printing plants are competing for contracts. One pastor said, 'Even atheists are asking for the Bible'.

Canon Bill Andrew, Bible Society's Communications Director, comments, 'The record number of Bibles demonstrates once again that the Bible continues to outsell any other publication in the world. These figures represent hundreds of millions of people who go to the Bible to find meaning for their lives'.

He continues, 'Obviously, because of the large increase in Bible distribution in the USSR and Central and Eastern Europe, compared with a much smaller global figure, it means that some areas of the world with equally pressing needs must have seen a standstill rather than a growth situation'.

