

Welcome to the September issue of news update bringing you reports and information including the Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Review.

Make Jesus Known



In our fast-moving, technological, multi-everything society two things never change - the truths of the Gospel and people's need to hear and understand it in a way that is relevant to them. The Bible clearly tells us that making Jesus known is the task of every Christian, but **Make Jesus Known** (MJK) is the name of the project run by Tim and Charissa Cooke from Manchester. MJK's aim is to make the Gospel message accessible through events which are run in partnership with Churches and Christian organisations. Using a mix of music, DJ's, testimony and relevant communication of the Gospel MJK provides a distinctive, complete outreach package. At the heart of this is their portable, fully equipped stage truck which can be parked in high profile areas of any community, such as shopping centres, beaches, parks and schools, for unique outdoor evangelistic events.

TES has been delighted to provide a grant to support this innovative, cutting-edge project. Here is an outline of some of the things that they have been doing over the past months.

In April they were able to collect a brand new purpose built stage from Austria ready for outreaches in the summer. Tim says "the stage is absolutely fantastic, it is so good to have the very best for Jesus, it is a real eye catcher".

Over the year they have visited Burnage, Chadderton, Blackpool, Warrington, Spalding, Harpurhey, Weaverham, Hereford, Rhyl, Winsford, Wrexham, Bridgwater, Blandford, Corfe Mullen, Bury, Stoke, Manchester, Prestwich and Tameside. During the summer they have had contact with over 30,000 people. These were not people who have been invited to an 'evangelistic' event, they are people who have walked past in city centres, or come to family fun-days, seen what is happening and listened to the gospel being preached from the stage. They are thrilled to report that they have seen an awesome response of nearly 2,500 people taking gospels and 295 committing their lives to Jesus.

an awesome response

Some of the most memorable moments were: In Warrington, as they set up for a street outreach with YFC (Youth for Christ) people were gathering around asking what the stage was about (apparently you can see the JESUS banners from a long way away!). One man committed his life before the event had even started, and during the outreach his girlfriend gave her life to the Lord too!

In Bury where it absolutely poured with rain and only a

small crowd of 25 had gathered in the town centre. Initially the team were disappointed, however when

decision to turn their life around

the Gospel was preached, and an opportunity given for people to respond, they were amazed that 15 made the decision to turn their life around and commit to Jesus!

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Working alongside Challenge Community Church in Hereford they were at an event called 'Church Outside' where there were twice as many as would normally be in the church. Five responded, one was one of the most notorious men from a local estate whom the church had been praying for a long time. The church leader commented after the weekend by saying that *"it was a refreshing time of reaping after sowing for so long"*.

While in Blandford, Dorset there was a spiritualist fair on the same day very near by which hardly anyone visited, however the MJK event was packed full of people amazed that it was free! Tim says *"we saw 12 make a decision to follow Jesus including some lads who had come to cause trouble"*!

With such openness to the gospel

Many Christians think that people in this country are not interested in Jesus. However the MJK Team have seen that this is just not true! If the gospel is presented in a clear and relevant way, giving people

the opportunity to respond and find out more, then many do so. Tim told us that it has been such a privilege to lead so many people into a relationship with Jesus and to sow seeds with many others.

With such openness to the gospel please pray for MJK as they look to improve follow-up and discipleship. If you are interested in MJK coming to your town please contact them at: info@makejesusknown.com or telephone 0161 7943355 for further information.



Bibles and Books

Earlier this year TES awarded a grant to former Team Evangelist, William Gaydon, towards the purchase of Bibles and Christian books to be given away through the various aspects of his ministry. Here's what William says: *"How often do you see a book and think of buying it for someone else? How about a Bible in a version or layout that is easy to read, wouldn't that be so useful to have to hand for when an opportunity arises? O.K that's the ideal but one would need a large stock of Bibles and Christian books to have something 'to hand' for every occasion and that's where, once again, TES has met my need. Through their support I have been able to buy just such a stock and nearly always at discount prices. Near my home in Bristol there is a Wesley Owen clearance shop, and at Spring Harvest I bought as many Bibles as I could carry home. I even shop on the Internet (Christian sites) in order to get the best value for money.*

My stock is never static though as books and Bibles are offered, forwarded or given directly on a regular basis. Offered - very few people say 'no' to a Bible which they can call their own and a carefully chosen book will often be received with great interest. Forwarded - not every Bible I purchase is passed on by me. I occasionally let it be

for giving away

known that I have Bibles 'for giving away' and so I might then be asked at a later date

for something suitable. This way Bibles have gone out to a variety of places in the last few months with one such example being to Wales to help some folk troubled with addictions. Well I could list many more such examples but I guess you can see what I mean.

So it's a big thank you to TES for their support and to you for your prayers and interest in this ministry".

"I want a Christian Psychiatrist"

Copies of Dr David Enoch's are still available from the office at £7.99 incl. P&P, with all proceeds going to TES' ministry. Please make cheques payable to TES.

Zephaniah Trust



The **Zephaniah Trust** is based in Shipley, Yorkshire and exists, as their Mission Statement says, "to take light into dark corners". They currently have three

workers, singer/songwriter John Froud, percussionist Mark Drake and storyteller/administrator Julie Wilkinson. John is now also an associate evangelist with the 40:3

worship in schools

Trust and specialises in making worship in schools accessible, interactive and enjoyable – even fun!

During the last school year 272 assemblies were conducted in more than sixty schools throughout the Bradford district and beyond. These were appreciated by children and staff, as more than 10,000 people were reached in this way with the message of God's love. Here what one teacher said to John "One of my class enjoyed that so much he says he can't wait for heaven"

Assemblies are built around a Biblical truth or theme – those explored in the last school year include encouragement, forgiveness, new beginnings and seeing

seeing God at work

God at work – based in Biblical stories such as the calling of the disciples and the road to Emmaus. John uses songs, many of them written by him personally, relevant to the theme. Then an anecdotal story, tapping into universal experiences such as breaking his grandad's greenhouse window with an errant football, and a Bible story. Clear links are made between them so that the children understand how his faith is relevant to his everyday



life. Assemblies usually end with a challenge to put what's been heard into practice, followed by a prayer and another song. A year 6 pupil in one school said

this "You can have a good laugh with John and when he talks about Jesus, he shows how Jesus can help you in school, in life, or with anything really."

By returning to the schools again and again, John has built trust and relationships, making it possible for the Zephaniah Trust to work in many other ways with the local schools, including RE events, arts workshops and praise parties. They also work at local community events and with churches. Another child said of John "He is my favourite singer. He's better than Gareth Gates (who came from Bradford – ed.) or Busted and he comes to our school!"

The grant that TES was able to provide has helped to sustain the work. At the present time the Trust is

a positive Christian presence

feeling that God is calling them to expand. Invitations for more work continue to flood into the Zephaniah Office from schools seeking a positive Christian presence. Julie tells us that the team and their current funding are almost stretched to capacity, but they don't want to turn down invitations from places that need to hear God's message. Part of their future vision involves releasing part-time storyteller (Julie) into full-time schools work. They are also taking on the Bible Times Exhibition, an existing resource for helping local churches support schools in their RE provision.



Julie says in schools they often use the Ishmael's song that includes the line - My God shall supply all my needs – and as they look to the future, they are continuing to trust that He will do just that.

Please pray for this important work in the Yorkshire area, asking that God will give them clear direction for the future and will release the resources required to develop the work in line with His will. More information about the Zephaniah Trust can be found on their website www.zephaniah.org.uk or by writing to 2a Norwood Road, Shipley, BD18 2AZ.

The Light Project

A brief history: Ed Green has been working for **The Light Project** since 2003 following a year's training. Since then his work has been mostly focused in one area of the city of *can hear the good news*



Ed Green in Blacon

Chester called Blacon. He helped to set up a Kids Club and has been leading that now for the past five and half years. Over recent years and particularly last year they have really focused on getting as many children to the club as possible so that they can hear the good news of Jesus. Blacon is a big housing estate which is home to approximately a third of the population

of Chester but it only has two full time evangelical Christian workers there – Ed and his wife Linz - who is now part-time after having their baby last year. They work as youth workers in partnership with a local church called Matthew Henry Evangelical Church.

Ed says, *“We both have a real passion for the people of Blacon. It is a diverse community with professional, wealthy people and then others who are not and face poverty and deprivation almost a stones throw away from the nicer areas. Every child that comes to ‘XL Kids’ gets visited at home each week, which enables us to build a quality relationship with the parents and other family member’s.”*

At Christmas time they joined with a project called ‘Christmas is for *God’s love at Christmas* everyone’. The aim of the project was to demonstrate God’s love at Christmas by practically providing for peoples’ needs by giving hampers filled with everything a family would need for a Christmas dinner plus loads more. They received a note from one of the mums from the kids club, ‘XL Kidz.’ It read, *“Thank you so much for the food. We are so skint this year.*



All we would have had on Christmas Day for dinner would have been beans on toast. Thank you so much.” This family

were open to hear the good news of Jesus through a simple act of kindness.

One of the problems working in Blacon is alcohol and drug abuse. It can seem like a constant fight against it. Many of the children grow up seeing things that nobody should ever see, let alone children and Ed and the church really want to see this culture transformed through the power of the Gospel. Their belief is that *it is easier to build children than it is to repair Men and Women.* So they are building the children by teaching the message of Jesus and how to live for him and the amazing result is that parents are coming to know God too!



Lynz and Ed Green presenting a bible story

Last year they set about rearranging the youth work. There used to be a youth club and the church youth work each week on separate nights and it was felt that the youth club wasn’t doing what was needed - seeing young people meet with Jesus. So it was scrapped and the Sunday night youth meetings revamped with numbers increasing to around 30. The programme includes worship, prayer and teaching with no messing about when it comes to the message! Ed says, *“This has really seen young people growing in their faith, loving Jesus and then bringing their friends along!”*

The aim for this ministry is to see the people having life to the full through worshipping God, belonging to His family, growing in their faith, discovering and using their gifts for God and reaching other people with the message of Jesus.

Ed’s role within all this is to lead a team of trainee evangelists from the **Light Project** and volunteers in presenting the programme and visiting the young people and their families. There are approximately 15

young people from the group who help on Saturdays as well as another 6 older young people who help on a Sunday night. The team consists of nearly 30 people, all volunteers, adults and young people, who

unity amongst Christians

give up their time to serve God and reach out to the people of Blacon with the good news of Jesus.

As well as all this Ed has a real passion for unity amongst Christians and gets the youth workers of

different churches in the city together to chat and to pray for each other as part of Chester Churches 'Link Up' organisation. Linked to this he coordinates a regular Chester youth Event where young people get together to worship, be taught and to pray for the city.

They would value *your* prayers for this project too.
www.lightproject.org.uk

Llangollen International Eisteddfod 2008

The Governing Committee were once again delighted to have been able to make a grant to former TES Evangelist, Bob Howells, enabling him to be part of the outreach team at this year's Eisteddfod. Here is what Bob says about the week of outreach.

"Though the weather was very mixed this year there was still a very good attendance at the Eisteddfod. The competitors were there in their varied colourful national costumes, and the town was alive with singing and dancing, not only in the pavilion and on the competition field, but also on the streets of Llangollen.

The literature stall was very busy with thousands of booklets, leaflets and gospels offered and received by people from all over the world. A dance group from Algeria looked very intimidating as they danced in the street wielding their swords, dancing to a well-choreographed fight. A number of them received gospels in French as they were passing the stall.

It is always a joy when competitors from other countries sing gospel songs in the street or on the competition field, especially when they teach them to children visiting the event.

A man from the Punjab region showed interest, listened to the team members speaking and recited John 3 v16 putting his name in and making it personal to him. Members of an Australian Youth Choir took tracts and some took literature about the Postal Bible

recited John 3 v16

School, whilst on another occasion one of the team had a good conversation with three Chinese believers, Mum, Dad and son.

Wednesday was a stormy day but the stall was very busy nevertheless. Folk from Sardinia, a Lithuania choir and Algerian dancers were among the many who accepted literature.

The witnessing takes place on the competition field, on the bridge at the literature stall, stalls at the entrance of the field and in the High Street and an exhibition in the church schoolroom where visitors are offered tea and coffee. On one day two team members took an assembly at the local school and on another day led an afternoon children's club.

It is not possible to list all the countries that were present, nor the details of the many conversations that took place about Christian things during the week, but I trust that the above gives you a flavour of the event. Please pray that tracts and gospels taken during the week will be read, and that seeds sown in people's heart will burst forth into new life".



Skating into the Kingdom

Bath Youth for Christ run an innovative project entitled 'One Eighty' which involves working with young people at the local skate park. It has a number of dimensions and is seeing young people brought into the Kingdom, who are largely outside the reach of the local church.



Detached Work: This takes place for two hours a week at the skate park with workers Gonz and James building relationships with the young people, informally coaching skating skills and publicising *One Eighty*. Subsequently many have attended a *One Eighty* session and heard the Gospel, whilst others ask questions about spiritual things while on the ramps.

Thrive: Is a six week schools enrichment course designed to help young people learn valuable life skills through skateboarding. During the past year three courses have been run across Bath and North East Somerset Secondary Schools. James Vaughton, Director of Bath YFC, says that *"a particular highlight was seeing a young lad with dyspraxia manage to balance on a skateboard for the first time in his life, giving him a massive confidence boost"*.

amazing conversations about faith



Weekly Sessions: Weekly skate sessions at a local youth centre are another focal point of the *One Eighty* ministry. These sessions, which dramatically improve the young people's skills, boosting their confidence and self esteem, have now out-grown the current venue. James informs us that *"many amazing conversations about faith have taken place, leading to eleven young people taking the 'Switch Course'."*

Switch: Is Bath YFC's 12 week introduction to Christianity course. Each week they tackle a

first-time commitments to Christ

different faith question such as 'why does God let bad stuff happen' and 'why was Jesus murdered?' The course includes a weekend away and during the last course nine of the eleven young people made first-time commitments to Christ.

Graffiti: This project allows young people to do graffiti legally with a committed group meeting together regularly. During the year two lads were able to go into another school to teach a workshop with massive improvements in their own work. Illegal graffiti statistics for Bath remain very low and the project has been praised by the council and the police.



Click: Is the newest edition to the work and is designed for those who have taken the Switch course and want to explore their faith further. The lads meet for half an hour every week before



One Eighty to discuss a passage from the Bible or to do something creative such as spraying something biblical onto their boards.

TES has been delighted to support this imaginative project and I commend it to your prayers. For more information log-on to www.bathyfc.co.uk

Fetes, Flowers, Festivals and Flying

Phil Misselbrook is an itinerant evangelist living and working in Cornwall with **Ambassadors for Christ**. Throughout the year there are many fetes, festivals of one sort or another, floral events and, at the end of July the Culdrose Air Day. Phil is to be found at many of these events sharing about God's love, offering prayer and leading people to Christ. One tool that he regularly uses to start conversations is the Cornish Faith Survey. TES is pleased to be able to assist Phil by providing funding to help cover some of the costs involved in attending these various events. Here are a few examples:

February 16th working with Truro Churches Together. It was cold but good day. Phil's stand was next to the UKIP stand where one of the volunteers, after watching him witness, came up to him and asked, "*what's life all about?*" Apparently his wife had become very religious and loved the church where they lived.



A month later, again in Truro, while manning the 'prayer tent' on a very cold and windy day Phil had a conversation with a lady from Wales who prayed the sinners prayer with tears running down her face as the Holy Spirit made Jesus real to her. She later wrote saying "*Thank you for introducing God into my life*".

One very well known Cornish event is the Padstow Obby Oss Day. Phil was there working as part of a team of 6 with the local Methodist Church where many people came as they offered tea and coffee. Whilst there he was interviewed by Radio



Cornwall about the whys and wherefores of doing evangelism on the streets.

Another well-known Cornish place is the Lizard – the most southerly point in England. Here, on a regular basis throughout the summer, Phil and a group of volunteers man a 'prayer station'. The weather was good on June 3rd and people spoken with were really

but my conscience tells me different

open to spiritual things. One man, a scientist, said, "*the scientist in me says there can't be anything apart from this life but my conscience tells me different*". Phil tells us that he believes this man is now on the journey to faith in Jesus. Later in June at the same place Phil and the team had another good time of witnessing to those sat on the seats on the village green. Phil told us that two gentlemen stood out for him that day. One guy said that he had died on the operating table whilst having a heart op, "*they had a hard job reviving me, why did that happen?*" he asked. Phil told him that God had been merciful to him by giving him more time and another opportunity to know him.

The second chap said he had been involved in the church for many years as a churchwarden, steward and on the PCC, but found no answers



and now doesn't believe at all. Neither man was persuaded otherwise that day but perhaps the conversations will at least make them think again about the claims of the Gospel. (You might like to pause and pray for them now).

a brilliant day for the Kingdom

Phil says that the weather for the Culdrose Air Day was awful but it was a brilliant day for the Kingdom with four people trusting the Lord for the first time.

This is but a selection of the activities that Phil has been involved in so far this year. Please pray for him in this work which can be so much like the weather – one day bright, beautiful and encouraging and the next dull, damp and discouraging. Pray too for those who have been prayed with and spoken to that they will go on seeking the Lord while he may be found.

Adapted extracts from the TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

for the year to 31st March 2008

CHARITABLE OBJECTS

Members of the Society, long-standing prayer partners and supporters along with other regular readers of news update will be aware that following an extensive review and consultations with the Charity Commission during 2006/07 no changes were made to 'The object of the Society'. They therefore remain as stated in the Constitution, "the advancement of the Christian faith primarily by providing experienced evangelists to proclaim the Gospel of the Grace of God and secondarily by the holding of Bible Conferences, Bible Schools, House Parties, Retreats and other related means".

TRUSTEES

During the year upon which we are reporting there were no changes to the make-up of the Governing Committee (Trustees) who are listed on the back of this *news update*. However, as you will read elsewhere, we are delighted to welcome John Wilkes to Committee but sad to lose Malcolm Bridger who has served very effectively for a number of years. We continue to seek others with the relevant skills to augment the Committee, who all serve the Society voluntarily. Throughout the year under report the Governing Committee functioned efficiently with three meetings held in central London in July and November 2007 and March 2008. The large part of each meeting being taken up with the consideration of grant applications. The Annual Members meeting was held following the Committee meeting in November but, once again quite understandably as this is largely a formality in order to conform to the Society's Constitution, only the GC members, Vice-President Ron Spillards and the Trust Manager were present.

Please continue to remember the Committee in your prayers.

REVIEW of ACTIVITIES

Administration and Management – The day to day-to-day administration and management of the Society has continued to be handled by the Trust Manager, Peter Day, working on a part-time, self-employed basis from his home office, for 675 hours in the year, which equates to 2 days per week over

45 weeks. However, with the number of enquiries about grants on the increase these hours have only just been sufficient. On one or two occasions between Committee meetings, he has liaised with the Chairman, Treasurer and other Committee members about urgent matters or concerning specific grant applications.

Any decisions made in this way were formally ratified at the next meeting of the Committee. His responsibilities have remained unchanged and, besides the routine work he also acts as Secretary to the Governing Committee and Company Secretary for the Evangelization Society Incorporated Trust.

Publicity and Promotion – in June and October the *tes news update* was mailed to just under 1,000 supporters on the mailing list who maintain links with the Society through their giving and prayers. Our other general source of communication is the website - www.tes.org.uk - through which we get a number of enquiries about the ministry and grant funding - some from overseas, mainly Asia and Africa, who clearly have not understood that TES is a UK only ministry.

Grants – With the increase in income and an increase in grant applications during the year it has been possible to make grants totalling over £73,000 to 33 exciting, cutting-edge projects, former TES Team Evangelists and other itinerant evangelists. You will see a full list of those supported in the Financial Review. The Society continues to support the *Fellowship of Evangelists* enabling them to meet their general running costs, without financial cost to its members. With the number of requests for grants continuing to increase it has not been necessary for the Trust Manager to be pro-active in seeking-out cutting-edge evangelistic projects to be supported. However, a considerable portion of his time has been spent talking through the application process with possible applicants.



Leslie Lucas, Chairman.

The Fellowship of Evangelists – has again been run by a small steering group comprising Ron Spillards, Alex Bowler and William Gaydon, who have convened one-day conferences. This valuable work continues to be an encouragement to the itinerant evangelists who are members – 45 as of March 2008 and continuing to grow.

The Future – The Trust Manager is not aware of any new legacies that can be expected during

the coming year, although the balance of one received during the year under review has now been received. However, with the Society's finances in a very healthy position, the Trustees remain very encouraged and look forward to continuing to assist the Lord's work through grants - *supporting evangelism in the UK* - for as long as funding is available and grant applications are received

FINANCIAL REVIEW

for the year to 31st March 2008

It is a joy to be able to report that the twelve months ending 31st March 2008 have been our most successful since 2003/04 in terms of income, and therefore the number of ministries that we have been able to support, and the amount given in grants. We indeed *Praise the Lord* for this, further confirmation of the decisions made a few years ago. General Income was just under £155,000 compared with £45,000 in 2006/7. The largest proportion coming from legacies which totalled £128,000 from nine legators. Total Expenditure was £88,000 of which £74,000 was in grants. A healthy balance was carried forward into the current year and, since April 2008, a further 12 grants have already been approved totalling over £32,000. Administration costs were just 9% of income, which is considerably better than the previous year, although obviously the large increase in income has helped. A list of the individuals and organisations who received grants is included below. In order to maximise current funds most are invested to produce further income but are instantly accessible when it is anticipated they will be required for grants in the coming months.

We would once again encourage you to join with us in praising God for his goodness to the Society throughout another year and for the privilege of being able to bless other individual evangelists and evangelistic ministries as we distribute His gifts - *supporting evangelism in the UK*. The ministries who received grants are: Ambassadors for Christ (Phil Misselbrook); Bath YFC; Big Ideas; Bridge-Builders; Don Bridge; Camden Town Church; Chad Media Trust; Chester Tell-a-Tourist; Children Worldwide; Christian Enquiry Agency; Christian Youth Enterprises Sailing Centre; Crisis Centre Ministries; Ray Dadswell; East West Trust; Frontier Youth

Trust; Fellowship of Evangelists; William Gaydon; Gospel Ministries Trust (Bob Howells); Colin Johnson; James Karran (Solace); The Light Project; Linx Christian Youth Trust; Meet Jesus Here Ministries; MJK (Make Jesus Known); Richenda Nuttall; Proclaim Trust; Douglas Roberts; Soteria Trust; Sportsreach; Tale2Tell (Andrew Devis); UCCF (Clive Parnell); Unite (Streetlight Project); Viz-a-Viz (Arise Project); Word of Life Worcester; Youth for Christ (Kate John) & Zephaniah Trust. Reports from some of these ministries appear elsewhere in this publication.

CONNECTED COMPANY:

The Evangelization Society Incorporated Trust (Company Reg. No. 106551) was established many years ago to act as the custodian of the Charity's properties and leases. Although there are unlikely to be any such properties or leases in the foreseeable future, if ever, the Company is being maintained because it is the Trustee of the Dawson House Trust.

Dawson House Trust – In line with the Charity Commission Order a further sum has been transferred into the permanent endowment of the charity known as *The Evangelization Society Dawson Trust Account*. With the interest this now stands at £10,200.10. We understand that the appropriate part of the new Charities Act will be implemented later this year, at which point we will endeavour to get an Order from the Charity Commission allowing the Society to use the Dawson Trust funds for the general purposes of the Society.

As the income was in excess of £100,000 these accounts had to be produced on the accruals basis.

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Incoming Resources

Resources Expended

Incoming resources from generated funds

Donations incl. <i>Gift Aid</i>	£147,093	Charitable activities	£87,717
Other Income - Interest	£ 7,748	Governance costs	£ 744
Total	£154,842	Total	£88,461

Income and Expenditure comparisons since becoming a grant-making trust

	2005	2006	2007	2008	Average
Income	£35,437	£84,850	£44,905	£154,842	£80,000
Expenditure (excl. Grants)	£24,200	£16,648	£11,819	£ 14,111	£16,694
Grants	£ 4,800	£11,060	£14,600	£ 74,350	£26,202

Copies of the full Annual Report and Accounts are available from the Trust Manager.
A minimum contribution of £1.00 towards copying and postal costs would be appreciated.

Income, Expenditure and Grants Chart 2005-2008



Legacies

The Financial Review on pages 9-10 shows that we have been significantly blessed by the receipt of legacies in the past year for which we thank the Lord. Legacies, often arriving without prior notice, are a tangible means of enabling TES' work to continue after you are no longer able to

give. Including gifts of this kind in your Will also reduces your inheritance tax liabilities. The current upper limit before tax is payable is £312,000. If you would like further information about leaving a legacy to TES please contact us at the address on the back page.

Dates for the Diary

For your prayers the next meeting of the Governing Committee (Trustees) will be held in London on Monday 8th December at 1pm.

The Members of TES Annual General Meeting will be held the same day at 4pm. The Agenda and papers will be mailed to those eligible to attend during early November.

Asians hear the Gospel

The vision of East West Trust is to seek to bring the Kingdom of God to British Asians in the multicultural West Midlands and to inspire Churches towards building bridges of love and understanding with South Asians in the UK.

The work was founded by Pall Singh, who came to faith in Christ when the Gospel was shared with Asian children in Handsworth, Birmingham by former TES National Director Ron Spillards.

One of the main thrusts of the ministry is called 'Sanctuary', which is a weekly service, open to everybody, but especially Sikhs, Hindus and Muslims living in the West Midlands. They meet in Birmingham City Centre in partnership with St Martin's Church in the Bull Ring. At these services the Gospel is contextualised for other faith groups and presented in creative and fresh ways. Once a month the East West team go out and invite people to come into the Church, where they are asked to pray by lighting a candle for their family and

searching for spiritual answers

personal needs. Pall tells us, "we are constantly excited by the conversations that have followed and those searching for spiritual answers". Sanctuary has become a 'safe' place for Christians from various denominations to bring their Asian contacts to hear about Christ in a culturally, relevant environment.

A further exciting encouragement came about in June this year. One Sunday morning God opened the door of opportunity into a Sikh temple for those from Sanctuary and a worship group called 'Aradhna'. The plan was for 'Aradhna' to perform worship songs in the small hall next to the dining room downstairs and for Sikh friends and family to come in after their main service upstairs.

God had other plans!

However, God had other plans! Pall says "We were humbled before God as Aradhna were asked to sing 2 worship songs (bhajans

- devotional melodies to Christ) in the main service where over 200 people were present". We understand that later the group were publicly honoured and blessed by the Temple leaders for their beautiful contribution to the service. It has also led to them being asked to supply bhajan worship CDs for the Temple leaders and members of the congregation.

Please pray that through this opportunity peoples' hearts will be opened to the truths of the Gospel. Also for Pall as he has opportunities to help churches have a better understanding in regard to South

British Asians are...

becoming disciples of Jesus

Asians in the UK. Additionally, he has invitations to speak at national leaders conferences, Bible Colleges, in radio interviews and to advise Christian leaders on strategies in Asian evangelism.

Pall reports that "through prayer and the financial support of TES and others, British Asians are hearing about Yeshu (Christ) and becoming disciples of Jesus without losing their cultural identity".

Why not find out more about this exciting ministry by visiting their website at www.eastandwest.co.uk

(We have recently made a further grant towards this exciting, cutting-edge project and will bring you another report in due course).



Changes to the Governing Committee

We are delighted to be able to welcome John Wilkes to the Governing Committee. John, who is the CEO of Counties, will bring an added dimension to the Committee as somebody active in evangelism in the UK.

Sadly, whilst being able to welcome John, we have at the same time to say goodbye to Malcolm (Mac) Bridger, who attended his final meeting in July. Chairman Leslie Lucas expressed gratitude to Malcolm for his invaluable contribution to the Committee over the past few years and indeed to the Society prior to his joining the GC. Mac's experience regarding pensions, insurance and other financial matters have been extremely useful, not least during times of change when Ron Spillards was National Director. We thank him for his commitment and

service to TES and wish him God's richest blessings in the years ahead, in whatever spheres of service he may undertake for the Kingdom.



Gospel Cards

Please help TES support evangelism across the UK by purchasing Christmas Cards and Calendars from Gospel Cards. All purchases benefit a variety of Christian Charities, including TES.

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