

# The Newsletter of New Malden Methodist Church July & August 2015



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## Endings and beginnings

The old saying goes: In order to have good beginnings, we need to have good endings. Our practice of itinerant ministry means we Methodists have ample opportunities to learn how to say good “good-byes” and hope-filled “hellos”!

Our official Circuit Farewell will be on Sunday evening, 19 July, at Surbiton Hill, when we will share our last “circuit service” together. I will miss our circuit gatherings! From our EDEVFests and Circuit Workshops to our frequent(!) Local Preacher Accreditation services and Fifth Sunday circuit services, we have learned well how to worship and fellowship and work together. Though we moaned and groaned together over various training requirements (safeguarding!), we also learned to appreciate the wide range of talent and experience we have in this circuit; we learned new ways to be a circuit together.

Certainly there have been struggles. We all struggled together with Angie’s illness and subsequent death – and the aftermath of a year-long ministerial vacancy – but by God’s grace, we survived, and we became stronger for having worked together. Sheila Hurton’s death at almost the same time as Angie’s compounded our loss and grief. Each of our ministers and congregations has also had to deal with difficult times and situations. In all of these situations, God’s grace has been apparent, and we have learned much from each other. My particular thanks go to the Circuit Stewards who have been invaluable in their help over the years and to Daphne Baker who has recently retired as Circuit Coordinator. Thankfully, God has sent us Michael Axton to fill the Circuit Coordinator position, and we have kept him very busy!

On the Methodist calendar, the month of August is the time when our ministers move manse and change circuits – it is a time of cleaning, sorting and packing, removal vans and unpacking, disconnecting and reconnecting phones and electricity and broadband suppliers! It is also a time for mourning. Mourning is not a bad thing – it’s how we process what has been and what is still to come; what we’ve learned from hard times and what we can use of that for the future. Mourning is a chance to be grateful for the good that we have shared – and that means we will grieve a little at what we’ve lost. To deny ourselves this rite of passage is to lose the opportunity to reflect, give thanks for the good, forgive the hurts, and move on to new adventures.

Steve Talbot has recently received permission from the Connexion to take early retirement from his presbyteral ministry on health grounds. From September 2015, he

will continue to reside within the circuit as a supernumerary minister. We are grateful for the wise and willing ministry Steve has exercised with us over the past few years and look forward to having him in our midst for many more years.

We've all been delighted to have Kan Yu with us as a student minister on placement over the past year. I am personally very pleased that Kan will be moving into the same circuit as I in September! You are all most welcome to come and visit us in N Kent circuit. Our Welcome Service is at the Union Street Methodist Church in Maidstone on Sunday, 30 August, 4 pm.

Please note: Methodist protocol is that ministers generally do not return to their previous circuit for one year after leaving. This is to give the new minister opportunity to get settled in without undue complications from the minister who has left! After that year, ministers are usually very pleased to receive invitations to return for special events, so don't forget to invite us back!

In the meantime, Stan Brown and I have undertaken a detailed conversation of circuit matters, which, combined with Stan having been part of this circuit already for several years, means that the "handover" should be relatively seamless. Stan will still have a heavy workload with the superintendency on top of the Surbiton Hill responsibilities, so care will be needed to not to further overload him! I have full confidence

Stan and Mary and daughter Katherine will be moving into the Alexandra Drive manse in late August. Stan will take over the [superintendent@kingstonsircuit.org.uk](mailto:superintendent@kingstonsircuit.org.uk) email address and have a new mobile phone number.

From September, my new address: 45 St Luke's Avenue, Maidstone ME14 5AN. My mobile number will remain the same: 0759 056 4477. My new email will be: [bonni-belle.pickard@methodist.org.uk](mailto:bonni-belle.pickard@methodist.org.uk). Whether we're moving on or staying in place while others move around us, John Wesley's

words remain: "The best of all is: God is with us". I will continue to pray God's blessings on each of you.

Love, Bonni-Belle

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### **What if God was *She* as often as *She* is *He*?**

You may have heard recently of the Church of England's debate about God and female language. I thought it would be interesting to start some conversations ourselves about this. Over the next couple of issues of our Newsletter I'll share a few thoughts, articles and quotes from the debate – but in the meantime, here's a thought-provoking piece to stimulate our thinking.

Judith Jewell

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### **A Hymn to God the Mother by Lindsay Llewellyn-MacDuff**

What difference would it make if we regularly – in our worship, our preaching, and our everyday conversation – talked about God as 'she'? I don't mean all the time, but often – perhaps even 50% of the time. What would it mean if we could talk about God as 'her' without sniggering or stropping, but as evenly as we talk about God as 'him'. What would it do to the way we approach God, or each other?

For some, I suspect, it makes God seem smaller, or more anthropomorphised. As though mucking about with pronouns makes it look as though we're taking them seriously, as though either were accurate. For so long the default has been masculine (in so many ways) that when we talk about feminine forms and grammar it sounds much more intentional, more personal. 'He' for centuries might actually have meant a woman, it just meant we hadn't bothered to check. 'She', on the other hand, means we are sure we are talking about a woman. It is robustly, emphatically, feminine. To use it for God, then – so some might argue – is to make God more female than the masculine pronoun makes him male.

But how we talk affects how we think. Centuries of keeping women linguistically

out of the picture has helped keep them out of the picture politically, financially and legally – what the tongue doesn't mention, the eye needn't see. Keeping silent about the feminine aspect of God, helps keep our theology androcentric, keeps us thinking, at some level, that God is male, that male images of God are somehow more accurate. Take, for example, the way it was once said that to refer to Christ as 'made human' in the creed was to imply a sort of 'only', as in 'only human'. 'Made man' was stronger and kept him sounding more divine, more powerful, more pure. The unspoken logic was that if the incarnation is described in a fashion that includes the female half of the race, Christ is somehow made less.

To talk about God as 'her' – not all the time, but often – widens our concept of the divine. God ceases to be an old man in the sky, but becomes someone 'bigger' than can be described by just one pronoun. She becomes a God of wind and fire and smoke and silence. We can stop crowbarring the Holy Spirit into some sort of false-feminine aspect, but allow the whole Trinity to be 'she' from time to time. God becomes the Queen of Heaven, Holy Wisdom, Divine Comforter, still robustly personal, but also more, also beyond us and above us: the Unknowable Incarnate.

And when I think of God as 'she', when the 'thou' in my heart has a female face, it changes me. I become a creature made in the image of God not only in my most general humanness, but also in my femaleness. I represent Christ, not despite being a woman, but because I am. I, in my priesthood, remind people that Christ is our sister and mother, as well as our brother. As Holy Wisdom she rejoiced alongside the Father as he wrought the universe, as Jesus of Nazareth he wept at the grave of his friend.

For my brothers in Christ, would the feminine pronoun help remind them that God is more than just an ideal man, that God is strange and other, as well as intimately one with us? Bound as we are, to seek out the 'other' in one another, would a God

more consciously addressed as 'sister', be a God more easily met?

Lastly, and most uncomfortably for me, more emphasis on the feminine in God, is a greater emphasis on the vulnerability of God. I loathe the stereo-types that paint the little woman as soft and gentle and defenceless, but like it or not these culture-bound icons are part of who we are. Allowing God to be the God who weeps, who hurts, who waits – who is a girl – allows those who also weep, and hurt, and wait – male or female – still to be in the image of God: the lover who is spurned. And perhaps, just perhaps, it might weaken the justifications for abuse of power, if the Church proclaims Jesa Christa, crucified.

So, what difference would it make if we, unselfconsciously and naturally, talked about God as 'she' as well as 'he'? I think it would change us all – and perhaps even the world: another mustard seed, from which God can do great things.

*Lindsay Llewellyn-MacDuff is Chaplain to the Bishop of Rochester*

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### **What links a dormouse, the Ministry of Defence and 60 goats?**

At our Meeting Point in June, we heard a fascinating talk by Graham Manning of Surrey Wildlife Trust. He opened my eyes about the Trust's work – it certainly does a lot more than I'd thought from its name!

The Trust's vision is for a Living Landscape in Surrey that is rich in wildlife and valued by all. It manages almost 8000 hectares of land in Surrey (5% of the county), trying to balance conservation with recreation. It speaks up for wildlife by advising decision makers and ensures wildlife has a voice.

Graham told us how his youthful passion for being outdoors, and his fascination for the animals of Four Acre Wood (Winnie the Pooh, Piglet et al!) led to him working for the Wildlife Trust. He's now a senior ranger, one of 100 staff, and many more volunteers.

Surrey is the most wooded county in England (a good quiz question, that!), with about half of all woodland privately owned – not all of which is well-managed. So the Trust tries to set up partnerships with land-owners, to manage their woods for them. By protecting biodiversity and getting habitats right, protected species like the dormouse can thrive.

We also have chalk grassland, wetland and heathland in Surrey. The Pirbright Range, owned by the Ministry of Defence, is 24 square miles of heath, on which the Trust runs its award-winning Red Deer Project. Thirty red deer were fitted with GPS collars, and let loose. It took them a while to settle in, but now they roam the whole range, cropping the turf and so maintaining the heath as they go.

The Trust used to borrow a few cows from friendly farmers to put out on other bits of land that needed cropping. But not all farmers have spare cattle sitting around waiting for a day out, so the Trust decided to buy their own, and now have 200 Belted Galloway cows – and 60 goats.

So Surrey Wildlife Trust has come a long way since it was started in 1959 by “three blokes over a pint”. Do have a look at their website : [www.surreywildlifetrust.org](http://www.surreywildlifetrust.org) to find out more about the wide range of projects, and what you could do to help maintain the wildlife in our lovely county.

Judith Jewell

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### **Being a steward**

One year in, I thought I might encourage someone else to take on this role, and join the team.

Last September I was not sure exactly what I was taking on, and have been pleased to find it was not as onerous a task as I thought.

I am on duty for 7 to 9 services out of 13(a quarter) so less than 36 Sundays a year, from about 9.45 till 12/12.30 and one Sunday evening per quarter. The duties

between the 2 stewards are to prepare the church for the service, open up the church, look after the preacher and after the service put the collection away and tidy up.

One stewards meeting every 6/7 weeks. 1 month in 4 I am responsible for sending letters to visiting preachers, (this is an email). There are other things but they are not regular items just one offs e.g. tickets for harvest.

I know some might be concerned at having to make the announcements in the service, we are a team so jobs can be shared, and remember you are in front of friends.

Please consider taking on the role of steward, talk with, Tony Chalk, Andrew Turner, Liz Edwards or myself.

Julie Haines

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### **Report from the Church Council Secretary**

The annual church meeting took place in May followed by the last church council of the ecclesiastical year in June. Minutes of both of these meetings can be found in red folder in the welcome area.

At the ACM we thanked Liz Edwards who has completed her term as steward, we also thanked Jane Bennett who was standing down. So far no one has come forward to be a steward so in the interim we will be appointing vestry stewards to assist with getting the church ready before each service. Alan Vincent, Sue Abell and Nicola Horton have now completed their 6 years as church council reps. Gloria Tavinor was appointed to the church council. At the church council Des Hancock was been replaced by David Knowles as Social Responsibility Secretary, Mary Brown by Tina Mensah as Cradle Roll Secretary and Jenny Reid by Carol Dadds as representative to the circuit meeting. All those leaving positions were thanked.

The healthy church audit was discussed at the ACM but it was felt that it would be useful to canvass wider opinion so those not present at the audit service are asked to complete the form. It is intended to have a special meeting to decide what changes need to be made to respond to concerns raised.

It is the 150th anniversary of the church in 2017 and we need to start thinking now how we would like to celebrate this. A committee will be formed to plan events for the year.

The projects for 2015-16 were mentioned in last month's newsletter. At the church council meeting Mick Taviner outlined extra work that needs doing in the welcome area, in particular to the roof. As mentioned last month there is still plenty of money from 2014-15 to spend on this.

Robert Elves

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### **Church Garden Party and Cream Tea: Tuesday 4 August**

We are looking forward to welcoming the Church Family once again to a Garden Party (weather permitting – otherwise indoors) on Tuesday 4 August at Conifers, High Drive from 3 pm. Please make a note of the date – more details and a list will be available later.

As in previous years we will need some drivers to bring people to our home. We would also welcome offers of cakes and of garden chairs from those coming by car.

Pam and Alan Vincent 020 8942 3752

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### **Happy Birthday!**

Margaret Eccleshall will be celebrating her **90th Birthday** on 14th August. Please come along to share some birthday cake with her at New Malden Methodist Church, Friday 14th August, 2-4pm. If you are going to join us, please let me know, so I have an idea of how much cake is

needed! My details are: Nikki Sattaur, email: [nikki.sattaur@gmail.com](mailto:nikki.sattaur@gmail.com), telephone: 07926 654 890.

Also, if you have any photographs of outings/activities that you have shared with Margaret (that you don't mind parting with) please can you bring them with you, I'm hoping to get enough to make up a photo album for her with them. Please write the names of people in the photographs and details of where and when they were taken on the back

Nikki

Ed- we will need volunteers to help set up the hall, make tea and coffee and do the washing up. We might also need volunteers to make cakes, though Nikki thinks she might have that covered. Look out for a call for volunteers in the Notices nearer the time. Let's put on a good show for Margaret who is such a valued member of the congregation.

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### **Dads and Doughnuts New Toddler Group Launch coming soon!**

Dads and their toddlers are invited to a brand new group starting at (New Malden Methodist Church) on (Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July) from (2-4 pm). The group, called 'Dads and Doughnuts' as part of the "Who let the dad's out?" umbrella is run along the same lines as traditional parent and toddler groups, but is specifically for fathers, granddads or male carers and their children.

It's an opportunity for dads to have quality time with their child and to socialise with other fathers. It's also a chance for mums to have some well-deserved time off".

"The session will be very relaxed, there will be lots of toys available for the children to play with, a craft activity so dads can help their little one create a masterpiece, plus tea/coffee, doughnuts and biscuits for the children. It's our very first session, so everyone will be in the same boat. I'd really recommend any dads with a spare afternoon



to come along and check us out. Your children will thank you for it!"

Julia

Artist's impression below, doughnuts not shown:



### Around the Circuit

It has been a very busy month in the Circuit Office as we try to make sure that everything is up to date as we get ready for Bonni-Belle's departure and Stan's arrival. There are plans to redecorate the Church and Circuit office during August, but we plan to stay open throughout what should be an interesting time of change.

Michael Axton

### Circuit News and Events

**Bonni-Belle's Circuit Farewell Service will take place on 19 July, 6.30 pm** at Surbiton Hill. You are all invited, and we hope that as many of you as possible will be able to come along to say goodbye to Bonni-Belle after leading the Circuit for seven years.

**The collection at the Circuit Service on 31 May**, charity envelopes plus loose cash, totalled £688.42. This will be shared equally between Action for Children (A4C) and Methodist Homes (MH), each receiving £344.21. A4C will be able to claim Gift Aid on £143, and MHA on £82 (the amounts included in Gift Aided envelopes within the above total). Thank you everyone.

### "Pilgrims on a Journey": Forthcoming Edition of the Methodist Prayer Handbook:

The next edition of the Handbook will be published in August. "Pilgrims on a Journey" looks at God's call to pilgrimage and the everyday realities of the road to heaven. The price is £3.75, but is reduced to £3.35 for

bulk orders. If you would like to have a copy included in the Circuit's bulk order [please email Michael Axton by Friday 17 July at: circuitoffice@kingstoncircuit.org.uk](mailto:circuitoffice@kingstoncircuit.org.uk)

**Have you lost a pair of glasses?** Two pairs were left behind at the recent Circuit Service at Surbiton Hill. If you think they might be yours please contact Michael at the Circuit Office (contact details below).

### Church Events

#### Chessington

Many people from Chessington Methodist Church and Surbiton Blind Club, and around the Circuit, will remember **Dorothy Whiteway**, who tragically died in a terrible house fire last July. Her husband Roy was rescued by their next door neighbour Alan Rendall whose house and presumably garden were also damaged. Alan Tichmarsh and his team have a new series called "*Love your Garden*" starting on Tuesday 23 June at 8pm on ITV where they do a complete makeover of people's gardens, one of which is the Rendall's house in More Lane, Chessington. They interviewed Mrs Rosemary Rendall about her long friendship with Dorothy Whiteway. It was filmed in Chessington Methodist Church, and as an extra surprise they presented a bench and pots of plants to the church in memory of Dorothy. **This will be screened on Tuesday 14 July at 8pm on ITV** so watch out for Chessington's moment of fame!!

#### Kingston

A reminder that **Messy Church takes place on 9 July** (and on the second Thursday of every month) from 3.30-5.30 pm. There will be games, crafts, praise-time and food. Everyone is welcome – young and old alike. A usual, entrance is free, but donations would be welcome.

Plans are being finalised for a **slightly different style of Morning Service on 26 July**. This takes account of feedback at the Healthy Church Audit, and will include a Church lunch

## New Malden

**Malden Fortnight** takes place between 3 and 19 July, and includes the following Church events:

### Saturday 4 July: Malden Camera Club

**Exhibition:** 10am - 5pm

### Saturday 4 July: Malden Fortnight Parade

goes down the High Street from 2.00pm. The Coffee Bar will be open during the day from 10am – 3pm

### Saturday 11 July: Malden Fortnight Craft

**Day.** There will be stalls in the High Street all day, and a **Craft Exhibition in the Church** from 2-4pm. Come along and see a variety of handmade arts and crafts and watch some demonstrations, accompanied by live music. The Coffee Bar will be open from 10am-4pm, including light lunches (12-2pm) and cream teas (2-4pm)

### Saturday 11 July (2-4pm): Dads &

**Doughnuts.** A new Drop-in toddler group has been started for dads, granddads and male carers and their children aged 0-5 years. The cost will be £2 per child, and we are hoping this will be a popular venture. There are posters about this in each of the churches if you would like more information.

## Surbiton Hill

We have arranged a **Senior Space Time** on **Monday 10 August, from 10.45am to 2pm.** The theme is “*Are we Getting Even More Forgetful?*” There will be activities and food, and everyone is welcome, so please come along. More details are available in the latest “Prospect”, or from Katie at the Church office.

### The Tennis Club at Surbiton Hill church

always welcomes new members, especially members of the Methodist church or congregation. We have 6 courts at 11-13 Manor Drive available on Saturdays from 1:30pm onwards. Men also play on Wednesday mornings, ladies also on Thursday mornings. On Wednesday evenings during the summer there is free coaching. Juniors meet on a

Friday evening, again with coaching included.

*Please do feel free to come and have a look at the club to see if you might like to join. Best of all: bring suitable shoes, and a racket if you have one, and have a set or two with us. Enquiries to David Fullbrook, or Terry Ingham.*

### Next edition

If your church has any news or a forthcoming event you would like to share with the Circuit, please forward details to me for inclusion in this section of each Church’s newsletter/magazine.

*Please send your contributions by Friday 17 July to: [circuitoffice@kingstoncircuit.org.uk](mailto:circuitoffice@kingstoncircuit.org.uk)*

*Or you can contact me by phone: 020 8390 4598 or 07763 781933 (mobile)*

Michael Axton, Circuit Coordinator

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## Summary of June Notices

### Church Family News

We were delighted to welcome **Pubudu Jayaratne** into the Church family with her baptism on Sunday 7th June.

Congratulations to **Lucy Turner** upon the completion of her Baden Powell Award with the 9th New Malden Guides.

Mrs. **Kathleen Hampton** (Keith’s Mum) died on Tuesday evening 16th June whilst in the Critical Care Unit at Kingston Hospital from pneumonia. Keith and John (two of her sons, the third Trevor, is a farmer in Devon and was in contact with them) were with her when she passed away. Please remember Keith and all the family in your prayers.

We are sorry to bring you the sad news that **Joan Cox** died on Sunday 24th May in The White House care home, where she had been for some time. Her funeral will be held at 10.15am on Thursday 18th June at the

chapel at Kingston Cemetery, followed by a burial.

Sadly **Jenny Cocking**, wife of Graham, died on Wednesday 3rd June after a long illness and surgery. Her funeral will be held on Friday 19th June at Chelmsford Crematorium followed by a thanksgiving service at 1.00pm at Trinity Methodist Church, Rainsford Chelmsford.

Please pray for Graham and all the families of both Jenny and Joan.

John and Carol Dadds popped in **on Janet and Robert Jones** on their way home from holiday recently. They are already quite settled in their bungalow in the pretty village of Chacombe and send their greetings to all their friends at New Malden.

**Church Family BBQ** will be on Sunday 5th July at the home of Birgit and Guy Cowan.

#### **Doreen Coombs' Piano**

Doreen Coombs has very kindly donated her piano to the Church and this has now been installed in the Upper Hall. We would like to thank her for this generous gift and assure her it will be put to good use.

Doreen still keeps in touch with the church community through Pastoral visits, Home Communion and the newsletter. She is in reasonable health and lively spirits but mobility is a problem, and because her flat is on the second floor with no lift, (Rodney Close), she cannot get out. Her friends are also finding it more of a strain to climb up to call on her, so she would be very glad to see anyone who was able to visit her occasionally.

Watch this space for an event on 8th August to have the inaugural use of the new piano and raise a contribution towards the removal costs.

## **Help Needed for Malden Fortnight**

Saturday 4th July

People needed to run **the coffee bar** 10-12, 12-2pm and for about an hour after that. Also **CAKES** for the event, these sell really well on this occasion. So please bake.

Have you always wanted to be an angel in the Nativity? Now could be your moment – come and join in the **walking Nativity** that we are entering into the parade. All welcome.

Saturday 11th July **Coffee bar** 10-12, 12-2pm requires manning please. If you can only do an hour, that's fine too.

We are open 2-4pm for the Youth Club to sell **afternoon teas** - please support them. **CAKES** required this weekend too.

Also Sat 11th July we have the **art/craft exhibition** for one day only 10-4pm. If you could steward for an hour whilst listening to beautiful music and looking at lovely things that would be great.

Slots for **musicians** still available. Items still required. Also a **pianist** might be needed to accompany musicians!

AND there will be the usual **stall on the patio**, donations please.

AND last but not least, at 2pm the **Dads and Doughnuts session** (a drop in toddler session for dads and their children under 5) will be on in the Lower Hall -males still required to assist- come on it will be fun!

Please contact Julia nmmcyw@hotmail.co.uk or pop a note in the layworkers pigeonhole for any of the above. Your support for all of the events is invaluable – please come along!!

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## And finally

Couple of things to note this time. Rather than provide some sage words AND a page of puzzles for the young (at heart), you'll note that in this issue there are 2 pages of puzzles to keep you going over the long summer holidays. Julia's sage words will be back in September.

Also note that we've rejigged the dates around slightly for the issues to the end of the year. This is to accommodate holiday commitments (outrageous, I know) but it also means that the newsletter is out closer to the month which it covers, So, for instance, the Christmas issue will now be out in December instead of half way through November. This has an impact on our army of unsung folders and staplers so please see the revised schedule:

Issue	Deadline for articles (Friday)	Date for folding (Thursday)	Available in Church (Sunday)	Folding team
September	29-Aug	03-Sep	06-Sep	John King Doreen Downey Doreen Moring
October	25-Sep	01-Oct	05-Oct	Angy Stagg Nigel Stagg Andrea Mooton
November	23-Oct	29-Oct	01-Nov	Gwen Bryant Nicky Horton Rhian Martis-Jones
December/ January	27-Nov	03-Dec	06-Dec	Ali Walsh Stella Chattle Ian Jewell

Also note, that the diary dates for this bumper summer issue can be found as a separate sheet as there were just so many. Feel free to detach this and stick it on your fridge after you've recycled the rest of the newsletter.

And we've re-jigged the format of the newsletter slightly. This is mainly to make it easier to edit and insert items that arrive after I've done most of the formatting (we like to be bang up to date after all).

As I find myself with half a page to fill, by the time you read this the Methodist Conference will have taken place, including the induction of the new President. If you're wondering who it is, here's his bio:

## Steve Wild - President of the Conference 2015/2016

Born in Rochdale in 1954, Steve Wild gave his life to Christ at a Cliff College Mission in 1968. He worked as a printer but heard God calling him to the Methodist ministry when he visited Taize.

Married to Laura, an artist, he began 15 years of circuit ministry first in Preston and then in St Ives, Cornwall. In 1998 he became Cornwall District Evangelism Enabler and then Connexional Evangelism Enabler Coordinator as well as working part-time with Westcountry TV presenting programmes about Christianity in the South West.

From 2004 Steve worked at Cliff College as Director of Evangelism and tutor. He returned to Cornwall in 2008 to become Chair of the Cornwall District. You may even have seen him in an episode of the BBC's 'An Island Parish'.

The contrast of Steve's urban roots in Lancashire and his ministry in rural Cornwall gives him broad insight, particularly concerning people experiencing hardship and poverty. Steve is known widely as a man of compassion, prayer, love and encouragement for people of all ages and backgrounds.

## Services and (flower dedications):

July 5 Rev Choi – HC (Mrs Horton)  
12<sup>th</sup> Mrs Davis – Worship (Mr Teanby)  
19<sup>th</sup> Rev Choi – Family  
26<sup>th</sup> Mr Lloyd – Family (Mr Alleyne)  
August 2<sup>nd</sup> Rev Choi HC/Family  
9<sup>th</sup> Mrs Davis – Family  
16<sup>th</sup> Rev Choi – Family  
23<sup>rd</sup> Mrs Davis – Family  
30<sup>th</sup> Mrs Vincent - Family

Next copy date 9am **29<sup>th</sup> August 2015** by email to: carolineauty@hotmail.com or in the pigeon hole. Have a great summer, folks.

## Diary Dates for July

Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.00am - 2.00pm <b>Malden Camera Club Exhibition</b> 7.30pm – 10.00pm <b>Malden Camera Club Exhibition</b> 10.30am <b>Friday Fellowship</b>
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am <b>Coffee Bar</b> – Sue & David Knowles 10.00am - 5.00pm <b>Malden Camera Club Exhibition</b> 2.00pm <b>Malden Fortnight Parade</b>
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	1.00pm <b>Church Family BBQ</b>
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Set up for Craft Exhibition</b> – please see Julia if you can help
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am-4.00pm <b>Craft Exhibition</b> 10.00am – 4.00pm <b>Stall on church patio</b> 12.00-2.00pm <b>Light lunches</b> 2.00pm – 4.00pm <b>Dads &amp; Doughnuts</b> 2.00pm – 4.00pm <b>Cream Teas</b>
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm <b>Junior Badminton</b>
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am <b>Coffee Bar – Wateraid</b> - Birgit Cowan
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm <b>Big Band concert</b>
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup>	6.30pm <b>Leaving service for Bonni-Belle Pickard</b> at Surbiton Hill
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	7.30pm <b>Meeting Point – Summer supper, social &amp; quiz</b>
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am <b>Coffee Bar – Amnesty International</b>

## Diary Dates for August

Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup>	10.00am <b>Coffee Bar – World/Home Mission</b> – Birgit Cowan
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am <b>Friday Fellowship</b>
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am <b>Coffee Bar – Cancer Research</b> – Glynis & Courtney Fox 2.00pm <b>Dads &amp; Doughnuts</b> 6.30pm <b>Concert in Upper Hall with bring and share supper</b>
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup>	Re-sealing of Lower Hall and back corridor floors
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Decoration of welcome area and admin office (possible closures to be announced)
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	2.00pm <b>90<sup>th</sup> Birthday tea for Margaret Eccleshall</b> –Lower Hall
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am <b>Coffee Bar – JMA</b> – Alan Downey
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup>	10.00am <b>Coffee Bar –Womens’ Institute</b>
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am <b>Coffee Bar – Operation Blessing</b> – Birgit Cowan