



Garrison outreach project....Rev Phil Clarke writes...

Have you ever wanted to do church differently – in a way that authentically connects with not yet Christian people? Here's your opportunity

The Circuit & District have discussed these possibilities for Catterick Garrison for some considerable time and there is now opportunity to create a staffed soft play area incorporated into a new family centre supported by the senior Garrison staff, the Methodist Forces Board and the Methodist Church locally and connexionally. In association with this enterprise, there would be a possibility of planting cell church in some contextually appropriate form. It's amazing how all this is coming together – and we believe the Lord is in it!

'What is Cell Church?', you may ask – an informal indigenous way of belonging in the Jesus family, faithful to the Gospel, whole life discipling and connected to local culture: committed at the core, open at the edges.

Intrigued? Excited? Cautious? Come and seek God about this, help shape the vision and be open to whether you might be involved in some way.....

You are invited to these **Garrison Prayer and Vision Gatherings at Richmond Methodist Church** on the second Wednesday of each month 7.30pm:

12th Dec, 9th Jan, (13th Feb), 13th March.

1 Corinthians 16 v. 9 – 'A wide door for effective work has opened to us'

King's Club...update...and Good News.....

King's Club has always aimed to introduce children & young people to Jesus in an atmosphere of fun and security. However, although preparations were progressing, & budget approval granted by the NY Dales Circuit meeting, KC 2018 did not take place due to the abrupt resignation of both project leaders in March 2018. Consequently a significant number of volunteers did not offer their assistance for the proposed week, and despite substantial efforts to source replacement project leaders & volunteers, none were forthcoming at this late stage, so sadly & reluctantly The Management Committee were left with little option but to cancel KC2018.

Book the date now!.....August 2019

Following much prayer and extra meetings of the Management Committee, we are pleased to announce that King's Club 2019 will take place from 5th to 9th August 2019, using the same site as in previous years- Askrigg School, with Low Mill for the Extras. As we take this step of faith, we trust that sufficient funds will become available, volunteers will be willing to offer time and skills during the week of the club itself, families will continue to want their children to attend, and, most importantly, people from across the Circuit will support the work through prayer- patiently, persistently and faithfully.

As in previous years, this Christian holiday club will be open to any 6-16 year old in the Dales and transport, to and from the venue, will be available in Wensleydale and Coverdale. Fees for the week will be: £32 per child aged 6-10yrs, and £37 per child aged 11-16 yrs old. Further details, including registration forms, are available from Heather Sowerby: Tel- 01969 650412 or email- heathersowerby77@gmail.com. These contact details can be used for volunteer information, donations and further prayer requests.

Please pray for :

Phil and Janet Clarke- *Phil is a Methodist Supernumerary minister, he and Janet live in Catterick- for they will lead the 6-10 year olds*

Robert Binns - *who went through King's Club and is now training to be a Baptist minister -for he will lead the Xtras Group.*

the Children and their Parents- *that after a gap of a year they will be still keen to come along.*

the Helpers - *that those who have faithfully given their time in the past will continue and that many more new helpers will come forward to offer their help in 2019.*

Faithful Father God, in whom we put our trust, with grateful hearts we thank you
that through King's Club we have once more been given the opportunity in 2019

to share the Good News of your love for us in Jesus

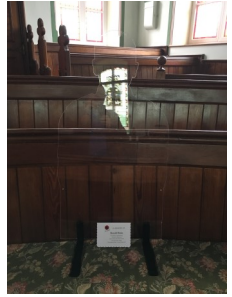
with the children and parents who live among us.

Amen.

Have a story or any photographs that you would like to include in our next newsletter?
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The Armistice Cantata - West Burton and Sycamore Hall

West Burton Chapel was close to full on 6th November for a performance by The Songbirds of The Armistice Cantata - a small play interspersed with songs from WW1. The group had been granted five There But Not There tommyes by The Armed Forces Covenant Fund to represent the five men from West Burton who didn't return from the war. These were placed in various pews, each with its own memorial card to one of the fallen. Members of SSAFA were in attendance and a collection raised £127 for their funds. The Songbirds had made poppies which were sold during the evening raising £78 for The Royal British Legion. The following Saturday residents of Sycamore Hall, had their very own performance. It was wonderful to see so many people come together to remember and commemorate 100 years since the end of WW1 with everyone joining in with the songs.



Thankyou to everyone who came and supported us!



Two minds:creative worship

In Richmond Methodist Church on Saturday 24th November, folk gathered over coffee to explore together how we might engage in worship when no sermon appeared on the menu.

Rev Paul Wood and Rev Ian Worsfold offered numerous examples, reasons and conversation, patiently explaining how we could do things differently and creatively whilst still engaging with the Scriptures. This talented duo have much experience in varied contexts and brought new insights and ideas to the group in attendance.

Newspaper headlines, prayer stations, puppets, the 'TTT' technique & questions (ask someone who was there, or look up 'this time tomorrow') and sharing testimony for the duration of burning match: some, or perhaps all, of these suggestions might well be utilised in services across NY Dales during the coming months. So, while the invitation to worship, to engage with God and the Scriptures together, remains the same, these creative methods may be deployed throughout the Circuit during the months ahead- you have been warned!

One Opp Project – December 2018

I have decided to do a congregation fitness/activity program as my One Opportunity project

So far I have been on a weekend residential to meet other young Methodists also taking part in One Opportunity. I found this really scary but actually I enjoyed it and met some great young people from other North East Methodist congregations, who I am now in regular contact with.

I have created and distributed over 20 fact finding questionnaires to interested members of our congregation...some of these have been returned to me and I am now looking at what dates to do the activities and what people might like to do.

I have also done research on how to run events and have attended a local park run to see how it works. I have also been looking at leadership attributes.

I hope to offer an informal meet up and chat in the next few weeks and am going to start an activity to start in 2019

I have met regularly with my enabler who also attended the park run with me and I am due to meet next week with my mentor to talk about how I am feeling about it all

I am really enjoying getting to know a wider variety of my congregation and have been encouraged by how nice and supportive the older people have been

Emily Treweek
