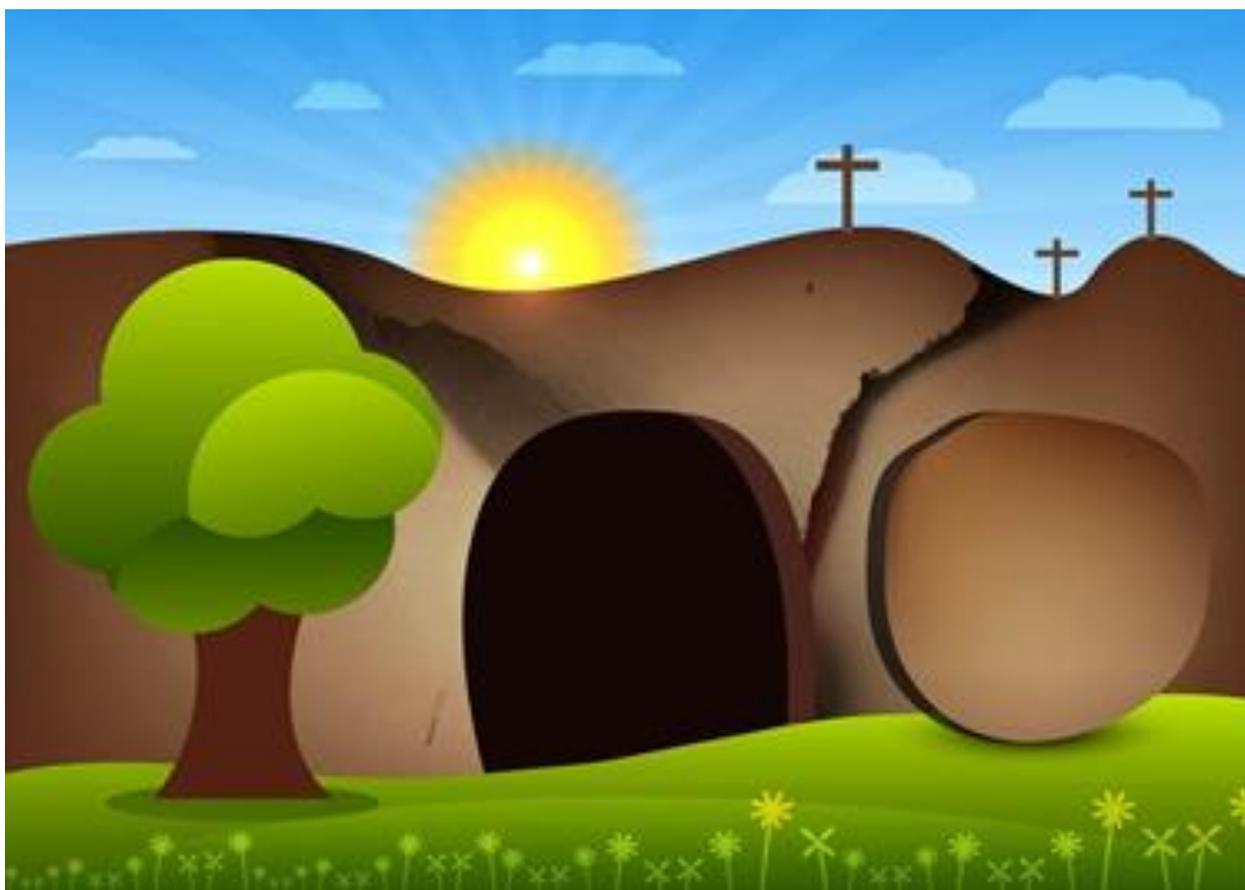




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Church worship diary: April 2017

(Please read in conjunction with the diary of regular events inside the back cover)

Sunday	02	10.00	Traditional worship with communion
		11.30	All-age worship
		13.00	(Child Contact Centre)
		18.30	Reflective worship
Monday	03	19.30	Eden meditation
Tuesday	04	19.50	(Elders meeting)
Wednesday	05	13.10	Lunchtime service
Thursday	06	13.00	Eden meditation
Friday	07	13.00	Friday prayers
Sunday	09	PALM SUNDAY	
		11.00	All-age worship (followed by Church Meeting)
		-- Copy for May Church News to Tony Wenman by 12.00 --	
		18.30	Reading the Passion narrative
Wednesday	12	13.10	Lunchtime service
Thursday	13	19.00	Maundy Thursday supper at Kingston Methodist Church. Please sign up
Friday	14	GOOD FRIDAY	
		10.00	Coffee and hot cross buns
		11.00	Walk of Witness
		12.00	Service of reflection for Good Friday
		13.00	Time to reflect
		13.30 -15.30:	Messy Easter for families
		14.00	Reflections on the Cross
Sunday	16	EASTER SUNDAY	
		09.00	Easter morning holy communion
		10.00	Breakfast
		11.00	All-age celebration of holy communion
		18.30	Reflective holy communion
Wednesday	19	10.00	Tots' praise
		13.10	Lunchtime service
Friday	21	13.00	Friday prayers
Sunday	23	10.00	Traditional worship
		11.30	All-age worship
		13.00	(Child Contact Centre)
		18.30	Reflective worship
Monday	24	15.30	Messy Church
Wednesday	26	10.00	Tots' praise
Friday	21	13.00	Friday prayers
Sunday 30		10.00	Traditional worship
		11.30	All-age worship with communion
		18.30	Reflective worship

A detailed calendar can be found on the KURC website at:
http://www.kingstonurc.org/kurc_calendar.html

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Letter from Lesley



Dear All,

How do you feel about being ordinary?

It has to be said in everyday speech ordinary = dull.

Yet

An ordinary life lived well is a glorious thing. We have to battle with the element that says 'my life is not worth anything unless it is extraordinary'.

What about we pause to consider the ordinary mechanics of our bodies. The pumping of our hearts and the movement in our joints. The ordinary capabilities to love and receive love. The ordinary ability to be kind to ourselves to others and to allow people to be kind to us. The ordinary taste buds that allow us to enjoy our favourite food and drink. These are ordinary everyday pleasures that make life good and sumptuous, even if our favourite food is bread and cheese.

There are no news headlines in a marriage that is long or the person that has a fulfilled retirement helping in the charity shop. There is no sensationalism in the person who is helpful to their neighbour or the person who fails but then gets up and succeeds at the fourth attempt. The person who works for 40 years in a range of administrative jobs is never going to grab the headlines, but we need them at their job.

God loves us not because of the amazing things a few of us can do. God does not love us because of the one-off extraordinary event we were a part of in one season of our lives. God loves ordinary people. Rice and peas, bread and cheese, rice and kimchi people. We do not have to do anything to earn this love. We are called to accept that love. And the good news is that love might lead us to do extraordinary things like live our ordinary lives with depth and compassion for the sake of others.

Best wishes,
Lesley

Cathy's Conversation

I have seen some little signs of spring. One of my favourites is the moments when leaf buds have grown enough to show their bright green, but the tiny leaves seem not be attached to the trees but suspended around them.

Over the last year or so we have been thinking about and trying to develop our church meetings so that they are more accessible and yet able to go about the business of formal meetings.

As I look down the list of requirements that make a good church meeting from December 2015 I can see that we have made much progress. One item asked for a mix of themes and business items.

For this year we are going to use the five marks of mission as our themes. In March our attention was on Tending – responding to human need in loving service. Maddie and Liz explained what we do within the church building throughout the year. Maddie reminded us that how we do what we do is as important as what we do.

At the May meeting our focus will be on Transforming. This will coincide with our support for Christian Aid. As individuals we may support other organisations. The meeting could be a good place to share our concerns and develop our collective responses to seeking to transform unjust structures of society.

If you love chocolate, may you enjoy the sweet eggs of Easter and may you find the renewal of hope, health, love and the spirit of God.

Happy Easter to you all

Cathy Seymour



'Rebirth'

The 11 o'clock service on 5 March was presented in the style of Messy Church. People were given choices of ways to consider the story of Nicodemus and the thoughts of rebirth and "secret" Christians. Dotted round the magazine under the strapline 'Rebirth' you will find a selection of what was produced.

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Pastoral news – March 2017

Out of care for people's privacy,
since January 2012 the list of
Personal Concerns
has been excluded from the web edition of
Church News.
Anyone wishing to receive the full edition of *Church
News*
by e-mail should send an
e-mail to tony.wenman@btinternet.com

Lord God,

At this time of Lent we remember Jesus struggle up to the cross and then the joy of resurrection beyond. So we remember all those for whom this is a time of struggle in their lives; whether they are struggling with ill health, relationships with those they once called husband, wife, relative or friend, the process of getting old or simply one of life's little problems. Walk with us Lord God in our struggles and when we feel we cannot bear the load, share it with us.

As the natural world around us springs in to life so we rejoice with all those starting something new. It may be a new job (paid or voluntary), a new relationship, a new place to live or a new hobby. Join us Lord God and give us enthusiasm and energy as we embrace the challenges and joys of the new.

We pray for our ministers, Lesley and Suk-In. As the brightness of the early spring flowers appear in our gardens and parks so let your light shine in them as they work among us

We pray for Sally, Catherine, Stuart and Sulhee in their work for the church in Kingston. Give them a fresh eagerness for their tasks and a heart for service among those with whom they work in our name.

Finally, we pray for our church and all those associated with it. Give us joy in our hearts as we serve each other and all who we meet each day that they may be lifted in spirit and drawn nearer to you, in Jesus name we pray.

Amen

Poetry Corner

Do you wait each month with bated breath
for Sunday number 4;
for a rattling good read from the Vestibule
that will make your spirits soar,

for Lesley's wisdom and Cathy's good sense,
for members' trenchant views,
for the Flower Rota and Service Times:
for the MAGIC of *Church News*?

Behind the editorial desk
we'd love to add a new chair,
to seat someone who feels inspired
to help secure the future.

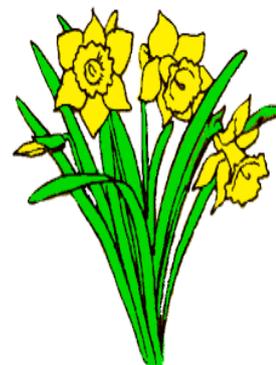
You'll need to know Word and how to move
your mouse around its mat,
and find your computer's on-off button -
and techie stuff like that.

But most you'll need a burning zeal
to join the *Church News* mission
to bring out 'nearly every month'
a sparkling new edition.

Please see page 18 for further sparkling details

Church flowers for April

2 April	Ann Phillips
9 April	Ann Mcfarlane
16 April	EASTER SUNDAY <i>Please come and help decorate the church from 10.00 on SATURDAY 15th</i>
23 April	Shirley Davy
30 April	Margueritte Scott



What I have been doing in Korea since October

It was a good time for me to go back to Korea to see my family and friends, especially as I had finished my Master's degree. I had expected to be back in the UK within a month, but after various visa delays, one month turned into four. I wondered whether it was not God's will for me to return, but tried to stop worrying and to live in the present. Throughout this time, I think God wanted me to know that He works for me in His own time. I realised that I had put God into a little box. It was time to break into the box and to feel that God is God as in the Bible. I was amazed what God did, does and will do.

What did I do in Korea? I can say "watching TV, reading, walking, sleeping a lot and helping my family". However, I realised how important it is to have a job and a schedule. Otherwise, your life will be controlled by someone else. That was the really hard thing for me.

During this time I felt blessed and loved unconditionally by people whom I know at the churches in Kingston, in Jordan and in Korea. There was something connecting them with me even though I hadn't seen them for a while.

1. Korean apple farms and cider making

My parents run an apple farm. It was apple harvest time! Hurrah! Work in the apple orchard is much harder than playing the piano for 8 hours a day, so I was soon regretting having returned to Korea in the autumn! There was lots of physical exercise involved - and I was out of practice! My mum said, "You used to lift up the heavy boxes easily but now you are not the same as when you were young".



My father has spent almost 45 years running an apple orchard, so for me, this was my playground. To charm people into buying them, you need to grow nice, big shapely apples that look and taste good. However, it all depends on hard work and the weather.

The weather sets the timetable which is really in God's hands.

My parents struggled to sell apples this year because the economy isn't good and people aren't spending money. I was pleased to be able to help sell apples to people I knew. To sell more widely you need to be able to use technology, but this is not my parents' field of expertise. They eventually persuaded me to stay on and do this for them, although I wasn't sure I knew how to either! So I did what I could, including putting advertisements on Facebook, Instagram and Kakao Talk.

I had a go at making cider with various yeasts. I think my parents were confused as to whether the cider was non-alcoholic or alcoholic (in Korea, cider is a lemonade.). My father took the (alcoholic) cider to church to share with members after lunch at the church, where it is frowned upon to drink alcohol. Some people attended the afternoon service after having drunk the cider. Someone told my mum that it was hard to worship because she felt dizzy.

2. Korean Christmas

Christmas is a big event for churches and couples. At the churches, the children put on dancing, singing and drama on Christmas Eve. However, at my home church things are now simpler than in the past as the number of children has decreased. The centres of towns and cities are decorated with lights and a Christmas tree, but our town was very quiet and you would hardly know it was Christmas. Once you grow up, you spend Christmas with your friends, not your family. There is no special food for Christmas. How boring!

3. Korean church

My perspective on Korean church is mostly based on my home church. The congregation are passionate in working for the church, to be a good Christians before God. They do a lot, but I was a bit sad to see them so busy that they were like headless chickens. Being a choir member or a Sunday school teacher eats up a huge amount of time. At afternoon worship there is a music band with which to praise God for 20-30 minutes. The congregation is asked to pray out loud (as if God can't hear us because he is deaf). If you tried to do everything (and I used to be like this), there is no time to rest and reflect on God's message. Are they being guided by Holy Spirit? Where is Jesus Christ who is the owner of the church?

Someone on the internet mentioned that churches have begun to resemble the current world so much that they have no power to be its light and its salt.

4. Korean wedding



While I was in Korea my brother got married. The business around weddings is huge. Weddings in Korea are very similar to those in England because Korea has imported western culture. The bride and groom both wear white. The actual ceremony takes around 40 minutes, but before that the family of the bride and groom

welcome all the guests at the door. A 'leader' (if you are a Christian, a minister; for others it can be your professor, teacher etc.) takes the ceremony.

My brother's bride's family is not Christian but they kindly agreed to a religious service. During this, friends and a cousin of my brother sang two songs related to love (this is quite common in Korea). A sister-in-law said, "Let's do something different for Sulhee's wedding! All your sisters-in-law and aunts will do something!" The bride and groom made their vows on the Bible. Immediately after thanking all the guests and family, they leave. Afterwards there are photographs with family and friends, with much happiness and the occasional tear.

What differences are there? No bridesmaids, no best man and no signing the register during the ceremony. The women of the family, if they are already married, wear Korean traditional dress (called Hanbok); if not, you wear anything you like.

For the second part of wedding, the bride and groom and their parents sit on opposite sides of a table which is covered with dates and chestnuts and other food. The parents throw the dates and chestnuts into the laps of the bride and groom as a sign of their love and good wishes for the future. The more dates and chestnuts that are caught, the more children the newly married couple will have. Following this all relatives sitting in front of the bride and groom bow and give them blessings and money. How nice!



Afterwards, the bride and groom go to where all the guests and family are having lunch to thank them for coming. There is no time for them to eat lunch so my mum bought dinner for them. Everybody at the wedding can have lunch.

5. The future

I believe that God has given me two more years in England. I want to be closer and closer to Him through prayers, the Bible, relationships with people and with my whole life. I pray that my time in the UK will be worthwhile and a link to my future. Thank you to all my friends at KURC for welcoming me back into the family!

Sulhee Kim

Rebirth [1]

"In the same way". It's comfortable, it works up to now - why change? Something quite dramatic is going to change my mind.

Someone has said something that hadn't occurred to me before Perhaps I'm not right, that's not possible surely! I make excuses. I've read about "and he, willing to justify himself". I must prove that I am right, but perhaps someone else is - and we can't both be right.

A re-birth perhaps?

Myrtle Austin



Statement on the United Reformed Church Past Case Review

We have all made mistakes and we want to learn from those mistakes.

People have been hurt by bullying or abuse in churches in the past. Things went wrong and people may be carrying the hurt inside them. We want to learn from the past and do better in the future. The Past Case Review is a way for the United Reformed Church to listen and to learn.

We truly want to hear about any behaviour which may need challenging, or if you have been hurt in the past by anyone in the United Reformed Church.

If anyone who has had any connection with your church wishes to share something that has happened to them within any United Reformed Church, we would ask them to get in touch with the Past Case Review team.

We want our churches to be safer places, where people can grow without fear.

Telephone: 020 7916 8682

Website: www.urc.org.uk/past-case-review

Email: pastcase.review@urc.org.uk

Further resources and information are available online at www.urc.org.uk/past-case-review

Fashion notes

I am wondering whether any of our contemporaries in the church, say in their 80's or 90's, feel that the ageing process is gaining momentum in their lives and what if anything one can do about it. Does one just make the best of it or mutter to yourself, "There's life in the old dog yet".

Some years ago I found the following piece and would love to share it. If you wonder who is writing this you will have to wait until Sunday, 2nd April, and see who is wearing purple. I hope I am not the only one.

Anon

Warning

*When I am an old woman I shall wear purple
With a red hat which doesn't go, and doesn't suit me.....*

To read more click on:

<http://www.laterbloomer.com/jenny-joseph/>



Mission Aviation Fellowship



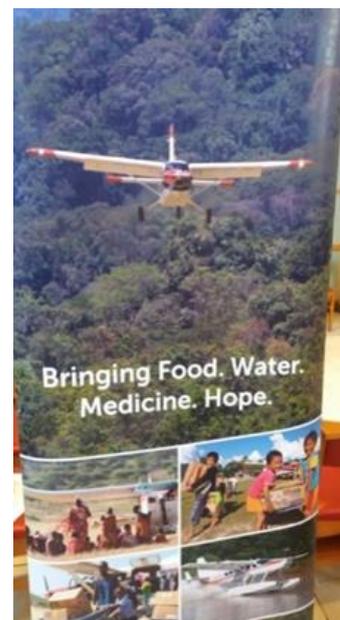
At the Sunday morning service on 26 February 2017, Alastair and Sandra Smith who are volunteer organisers for Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF), gave a very interesting presentation and film show about the history and operations of this Christian charity since its original conception in 1944.

After many problems in doing a survey (both aerial and land) in 1947 and 1948 of places in Africa in need of help, a light De Havilland Rapide plane was purchased by MAF in 1949 for operation in Sudan. This plane started its regular flights in 1950 and was the start of this great charitable service. Since then MAF has grown tremendously and now has more than 130 light aircraft flying in 25 countries, bringing help and healing to communities in remote areas.

Due to lack of road, rail and air transport in these areas, people would have to travel on foot for days, or even weeks, through swamps, jungles and mountains in order to reach hospitals. Now MAF can fly them to hospitals often in an hour or so.

With their light planes, MAF also fly doctors, nurses, aid workers, missionaries, teachers, food, medicine, building materials and Bibles in the languages of the areas, etc., into remote areas to help, heal, educate, and spread the word of God. Due to the work of MAF, thousands of people in the areas served have become Christians, and many of them have gone on to become pastors or missionaries.

In some areas such as Sudan Eritrea, Chad, it has been difficult at times to operate and MAF has been forced out several times due to political upheaval, fighting, change of government, etc., but later re-entered to continue its work. A strong Christian faith and a deeply-rooted desire to help people in these countries, have kept it going. MAF is not like many other charities we know, it does not have shops in every town and it does not bombard you with books of raffle tickets to sell. It depends entirely on donations and legacies from people like you and I. Donations can be sent to it at **Castle Hill Avenue, Folkestone, Kent CT20 2TN.**



I went to Sudan in 1951 and worked there for 14 years

until 1965. In these years I met many of the MAF pilots and staff, including the founders, and I visited a lot of places in which MAF operates. In later years from 1984 to 1986, I worked in Tanzania and again witnessed the wonderful work done by MAF. To fly such light planes to small roughly-cleared strips of land under difficult conditions (sometimes sudden rainstorms, sandstorms, mountain downdraughts, etc.) takes nerves of steel. Thankfully all of the pilots are dedicated Christians and know that they are guided by God.

I had personal experience of such potential hazards when on one business trip in Sudan I flew in the co-pilot seat of a light Sudan Airways plane. As we came in to land on the cleared strip, there was a herd of cattle at the edge of it. The pilot and I were afraid that the noise of the aircraft's engine might stampede them across the strip. Fortunately someone on the ground thought likewise and chased them away just as we were about to touch down.

Natasha and I have seen the wonderful work of MAF during our many years in Sudan and Tanzania, and one of our family members, the husband of Natasha's niece, worked for them in their Nairobi, Kenya office. We have supported MAF financially for many years and will continue to do so, as long as we can. I have copies of a DVD and the book "Hope Has Wings", both giving details of MAF's history and operations, and I will be pleased to lend them to anyone who is interested. You also can find more about them on www.maf-uk.org.

John Reid

Rebirth [2]

Born Again

Thank you Lord that I am nearly 70 but still I can be born again

I seem to have been in a cocoon for a long, long time

But slowly I can see myself being reborn as a new creation

It's not as simple as knowing that I will be a butterfly

I don't know what I will look like at all or whether it will be very different to how I look now

I do know that I shall be closer to how you created me to be – how you see me

Thank you Lord because I would not have the courage to make this journey

Thank you Lord because you have provided the friends and helpers that I need for the journey

Thank you Lord because I can trust that where you are taking me is a good place

Maddie Anlezark

‘Alternative facts...’

President Donald J Trump	Paul of Tarsus
<p>“Now, I’ll tell you, I’m good at that – so, you know, I’ve always taken in money. I like money. I’m very greedy. I’m a greedy person. I shouldn’t tell you that, I’m a greedy – I’ve always been greedy. I love money, right?</p> <p><i>A rally in Iowa.</i></p>	<p>“Fornication and indecency of any kind, or ruthless greed, must not be so much as mentioned amongst you. No coarse, stupid, or flippant talk; these things are out of place; you should rather be thanking God. For be very sure of this: no one given to fornication or indecency, or the greed which makes an idol of gain, has any share in the kingdom of Christ and of God.”</p> <p><i>Ephesians 5. vv 3-5</i></p>

John Watts

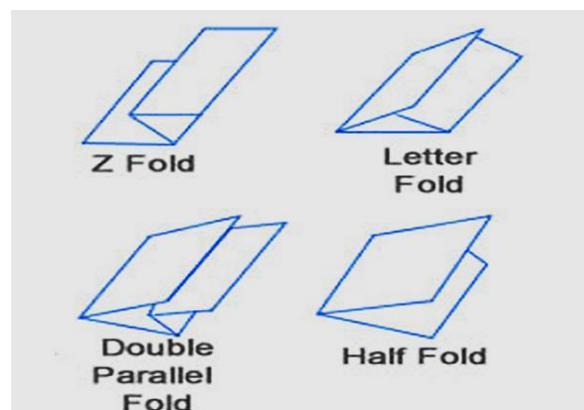
New paper folder

We have just taken delivery of a paper folder. It folds the paper automatically in the formats shown below. It is upstairs in the finance office.

It can hold up to one hundred sheets at a time.

If you need papers folded, leave them in the office with Catherine and let me know.

Please don’t try it yourself; it is quite delicate and I haven’t mastered it all yet.



John Arnold

Contributing towards the cost of printing *Church News*

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- contributing via the “Donate” link on our website:
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Please remember to:

- quote *Church News* on the envelope / payment ref.
- and most importantly, to pick up your copy (and that of anyone in your Tree Group, or a neighbour, who cannot get to church) from the vestibule!



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for further graphic details**

Quotation of the month

Jesus answered, “I am telling you the truth: no one can see the Kingdom of God unless he is born again.”

Why this particular choice of quotation? Well, we have 3 Johns in the mag this month with 3 different articles. ‘Ha! A good reason to check out John 3:3’, this month’s editor thought. And hey presto!

Thank you, John Fisher, for holding off until the next edition. Otherwise we could be featuring John 4:4 - “*On his way there he had to go through Samaria*”.

A worthy passage no doubt, but hardly the stuff that sermons are made of.

Acorn postscript

Following last month's farewell article, here is a quick retrospective from the Acorn Group, highlighting its main activities over the last three years.

- March 2014 – Acorn Group established and named
- In the meantime, 23 meetings and several brainstormings
- Fund-raising:
 - Over £100,000 in donations
 - Approximately £83,000 from Gift Day
 - House money boxes
 - Six applications to charitable trusts
 - Creation and sale of calendars, cake book and handmade.
 - Christmas cards
 - Christmas hamper raffles
- Events:
 - Skittles evenings (+ silent auction)
 - Beetle drive
 - Smoothie and Nail Bar
 - Ceilidhs
 - Open Gardens
 - Promises auction
 - Musical recitals and concerts (+ CDs)
 - Ann's ride round Richmond Park
 - 'Every penny counts' campaign
- Publicity:
 - MyDonate account opened and linked to page in KURC website
 - Paying-in only bank account set up for donations
 - Envelopes in sanctuary 'pews'
 - Giving information on service paper
 - PowerPoint slides for Sunday services
 - Regular articles in *Church News*
 - Donations Strapline on pages in *Church News*
 - 'Oak tree' tracking progress on noticeboard in foyer
 - 'Giving' leaflet produced
- Leaflets:
 - 'What we do' leaflet
 - Bequests leaflet
- Wedding package offer investigated



readings for April

At one with self

Saturday 1 April Romans 8:26-27

READINGS IN MATTHEW (2)

Jesus – the last days

Sunday 2 April Matthew 26:1-5

Monday 3 April Matthew 26:6-16

Tuesday 4 April Matthew 26:17-25

Wednesday 5 April Matthew 26:26-35

Thursday 6 April Matthew 26:36-46

Friday 7 April Matthew 26:47-56

Saturday 8 April Matthew 26:57-68

Jesus – the last hours

Sunday 9 April Matthew 26:69-75

Monday 10 April Matthew 27:1-10

Tuesday 11 April Matthew 21:11-26

Wednesday 12 April Matthew 27:27-31

Thursday 13 April Matthew 27:32-44

Friday 14 April Matthew 27:45-56

Saturday 15 April Matthew 27:57-66



DO NOT BE AFRAID

Angels

Sunday 16 April Matthew 28:1-10

Monday 17 April Matthew 28:11-15

Tuesday 18 April Matthew 28:16-20

Wednesday 19 April Luke 1:5-14

Thursday 20 April Luke 1:26-35

Friday 21 April Matthew 1:18-25

Saturday 22 April Luke 2:8-20

God

Sunday 23 April Genesis 3:8-13

Monday 24 April Genesis 15:1-6

Tuesday 25 April Exodus 14:10-14

Wednesday 26 April Exodus 20:18-21

Thursday 27 April Isaiah 41:8-10

Friday 28 April Isaiah 44:1-8

Saturday 29 April Ezekiel 2:1-7

Jesus

Sunday 30 April Matthew 8:18-27

Monday 1 May Matthew 10:24-31

Tuesday 2 May Matthew 14:22-33

Wednesday 3 May Luke 12:22-34

Thursday 4 May John 14:25-31

Friday 5 May Revelation 1:9-18

Saturday 6 May Revelation 2:8-11

Rebirth [3]

Rebirth is a journey

With lots of stopping points

Setting off from a dramatic life changing encounter with God

Moving through all kinds of terrain

And the challenges that come with it

Learning lessons

Changing mind sets

Growing closer to the goal

Climbing mountains

Clambering through dark underground caverns

Lying in the meadow in the sunshine

Relaxing recharging, resting

Getting up

And carrying on

Being changed from the inside out

To be the person God intends me to be.

As I trawl through my life

Towards heaven.

Rebirth is a life long journey.

Carol Clack

Situations vacant

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Rebirth [4]



Bethany Birley



'Reborn Rose'

Regular activities

Monday:

- 10.00 Parents & Toddlers (during school terms)
 15.30 Messy Church (last Monday monthly)
 19.30 Eden Meditation (first Monday monthly)

Tuesday:

- 14.00 Activity afternoon for Foyer guests (second Tuesday monthly)

Wednesday:

- 10.00 Tots' Praise (during school terms)
 13.10 Lunchtime service
 14.00 & 19.30 Faith studies – check dates and frequency of short courses

Thursday:

- 13.00 Eden Meditation (first Thursday monthly)
 19.00 International Friendship Café
 19.30 Line Dancing

Friday:

- 13.00 Friday prayers
 14.00 Ballroom & Latin American dancing with Lyn
 22.00 All-night prayers and Street Pastors (until 04.00)

Saturday:

- 10.00 Stay & Play (third Saturday monthly)
 22.00 All-night prayers and Street Pastors (until 04.00)

You can keep in touch with worship and activities at our church through our website: www.kingstonurc.org. You can also follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

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 as well as reports of activities are welcome.

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OUR SUNDAY SERVICES

10.00 – Traditional Worship

(with communion first Sunday monthly)

11.30 – All Age Worship

(with communion on the last Sunday monthly)

18.30 – Reflective Worship

(with communion on the third Sunday monthly)

On the second Sunday of each month a combined service at 11.00 replaces the 10.00 and 11.30 services

Tea and coffee are served between the 10.00 and 11.30 services, before the 11.00 service on the second Sunday, and after the 18.30 service

During the 10.00, 11.00 and 11.30 services there are group activities for children of all ages. Visiting children are welcome to join them

Our Foyer is normally open every weekday and Saturday from 11.00 until 14.00 for coffee and tea. **The Sanctuary** is also open daily from 11.30 to 13.30 for private prayer, with access via the Foyer.

Need to talk to someone about a problem or concern? There is sometimes a designated listener available in the Foyer; if not, please speak to the coffee server or contact Lesley Charlton.

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