

*150 Years of Worship and Outreach*

# Central United Reformed Church Hove



July 2013

# **CHURCH ACTIVITIES**

*Sunday Youth Ministry*

Mrs. A. Austen

Mrs C. Vaughan

*Boys' Brigade*  
(Mondays)

Mr. C. Jukes

*Girls' .Brigade*  
(Tuesday)

Mrs. S. Hill

*Tuesday Fellowship*  
(Alternate Tuesdays)

Mrs Celia Baines – Holmes

*Men's Fellowship*  
(Third Wednesday)

Mr. P. Gear

*Welcome Break*  
(Wednesdays)

Mrs. P. Macaulay

*Bluebird Parent & under 3s Group*

Mrs K. Hancox

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## Dear Friends,

One of the things that we have been thinking about as we have celebrated 150 years of our church's ministry and mission is the incredible changes there have been in our society and culture in that time. 1863 was a time of great progress at that point in Queen Victoria's reign, but just consider the transformation since then.

The first traffic light came into operation in London in 1868, even though the traffic was mostly horse-drawn, or steam powered. The internal combustion engine was invented in 1876, and people took to the air as well as the road after the first flight by the Wright Brothers in 1903. Supersonic flight was achieved in 1947, and men landed on the moon in 1969 - "one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind."

In 1863 the British ruled the world through its empire, which was one of the 'greatest' empires the world has ever seen. Wars began to change that position with the Boer wars of 1880-81 and 1899-1902, and then the First and Second World Wars of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century.

In this last century and a half there have been dramatic developments brought about by science, secularisation, and computerisation, resulting in considerable changes in public and private morality. We probably wouldn't want to go as far as the hymn *Abide with me* expresses it: "change and decay in all around I see", but we can see the point made by Henry Lyte, the writer.

Amidst all these changes, the Church, and our church in particular, has needed to adapt and change. We are faced with different challenges in our present situation, as we seek to be God's people in a fast-changing world, in this part of Hove. Even with successful activities and organisations in our church, we need to look to the future rather than living on past glories. So, may the Lord continue to guide and bless us as we build on the 'cornerstone', and on the achievements of the last 150 years of worship and outreach in our community.

**Roger**



## INVITATION

### **Jenny Davies, missionary - life, work and faith in Pakistan**

Alex and Louise invite you to join us for a curry and visual presentation with Jenny Davies, learn about life, faith and challenges for a missionary in Pakistan.

Monday 22nd July 7.00 p.m.

Venue to be confirmed

Curry £3-£4 region plus a donation to Operation Mobilisation Pakistan costs

Non curry option if required

Transport can be arranged

Please see sign up sheets and posters in each church or talk to Alex & Louise

## A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Don't forget to make a note of **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2013**, when we hope you will join us at the first ever **Away Day** shared between the three churches of our pastorate. The subject is 'Worship' and will be led by Alison Adam, a member of the Iona Community. Alison has a lot of insights into how we can enhance the worship in our churches. She also has a knack for getting people singing and enjoying it.

The day will be held at Hassocks URC, so it's not far, and the cost will be kept to a minimum. So – no excuses! Please make a note of the date and plan to be with your friends from Central, Hounsom and Portslade.

Alex Mabbs and Roger Wood.

## **FAMILY NEWS FROM CENTRAL**

June in Central was rather like a chocolate, which you can't identify, because you have lost the chocolate diagram piece of paper. The wrapping and the actual chocolate look delightful on the outside, then you take a bite..... and it has one of those centres that are hard to swallow.

June began with a successful Summer Fair, which raised £1300 for church funds. The Boys' Brigade completed a very successful year by **winning** the Battalion Sports! Congratulations to everyone who participated, especially **Jorden Harding** and **James Blomfield**, who won individual medals for their age group. Unfortunately the Company had to return the silver rose bowl, which would have been very useful in the church anniversary celebrations! Congratulations to all.

**Dale Marland** is recovering from a very nasty fall. At the moment he is black and blue in addition to every other hue in between. While we may joke a little, Dale is in pain and it may be a while before he becomes his usual "handsome" self and returns to church. We trust that he knows we are thinking about him and holding him in prayer.

It is fair to say that everyone was shocked and horrified to learn of the sudden death of **Kevin Marteau**, Celia and Peter Elliott's grandson. The devastation of his death spreads far beyond his family circle and mere words are inadequate. Nevertheless, we totally surround **Sally, Sandrine, Pascal, Nikki, Celia and Peter** with our love, prayers and sympathy. May God's love and grace along with our prayers comfort and uphold them, while they try to cope with their loss.

More friends will be undergoing surgery in the coming weeks. **Anne Beach** and **Frances Beacham** face second operations to excise growths. **Keith Austen** has finally got a date for his heart by-pass on 17<sup>th</sup> June. Please pray for successful outcomes for all these friends.

**Pam Macaulay's** knee surgery went well – until she got home. Three days later, she was back in hospital having collapsed. Thankfully, she is now recovering at home, once more, and can watch the tennis, without feeling guilty about the housework, etc., she thinks she should be doing. She should be resting and Andy Murray should be keeping her blood pressure down!

May we also express our gratitude to all those who spontaneously volunteered to help keep Welcome Break going over the recovery period, especially **Willi Ghoshal, Jim Lyall** and **Charlie Steel**, and all the

regular helpers who continue to serve.

We are so pleased to learn that **Colin Lyall** is also back in his home after his stroke and is beginning the road to rehabilitation with good humour. We pray that he will continue to make good progress.

The name of **Elijah**, June Whittle's grandson of only a few weeks, appeared on our Order of Service sheets on 30<sup>th</sup> June. Elijah had been rushed into hospital, seriously ill with suspected meningitis. However, it is good to know that he appears to be recovering and may be allowed home this coming weekend, if all continues to go well, Please keep Elijah, his parents and all the family in your prayers during this anxious time. May he recover fully and grow and flourish.

The 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary week of special services, the Flower Festival and Concert, the Central Café was both uplifting and exhausting. Its success was due to the fulfilment of the lessons on which both Moderators based their addresses. It was a great collective effort and so many people worked together to ensure it happened. We are grateful to each and every one, who came along to help and support these events, especially those from outside our congregation and from other churches: Pat, Jenny and Maggie, who arranged the floral displays so magnificently, and the gentleman from Rainbow Florists in George Street, who donated plants and flowers.

Please remember to hold in prayer those who were unable to visit us last week due to illness or frailty.

Fellowship of Prayer:

John and Elsie Flack, Tebello Sibanda, Clive and Shirley Hamblin, Pam Macaulay & Celia Baines- Holmes.



BB Sports Medal Winners: Jorden Harding & James Blomfield



## **10<sup>TH</sup> BRIGHTON (HOVE) BOYS'** **BRIGADE COMPANY**

### **ANCHOR BOYS**

Our little gang of 16 Anchor Boys are going strong as we go into the summer session!! Weather permitting we are now going round to St Andrews school playing field. This is great opportunity for the boys to let off steam and we play games that we don't have the room for in the hall! This tends to be a mixture between cricket and rounders and occasionally football!! So a very keen interest is made on the weather chart on a Monday!! We go into the new session in September with several of the existing Anchor Boys going up into the Junior section, so if you know of any boys between the ages of 5-8 years who you think would like to come along please speak to me or send them along on a Monday evening at 6 00 pm.

### **COMPANY SECTION**

We don't like to gloat and we don't like to boast but – just this once – we will. We won! Finally after many years of trying we succeeded in winning the Battalion Sports Trophy, thus rounding off the session on another high note.

There was a good turnout of boys and supporters on an unusually fine evening for this competition. Every boy attempted some event and every boy really gave of his best. There was a great spirit of camaraderie throughout the evening, allied with “friendly” rivalry. The ending was nail-biting, as, one by one, the various awards were given out. Well done to Jorden Harding and James Blomfield on winning medals for their age groups. Finally the announcer worked his way through the various places until there were only two companies left. The second place was announced – and – it was not us. We were first! We had done it! Huge yells of delight from everyone in the company and our supporters.

Well done to everyone. A night to remember. ( Pictures P. 30)

At the moment, as we draw towards the end of the session, we are spending every opportunity to enjoy games and sports on St. Andrew's School Playing Field. We finish for the summer on 22<sup>nd</sup> July. The new session begins on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September when we will be happy to welcome any boys who would like to join us.

## JENNY DAVIES (See invitation Page 4)

‘*Salaamun ‘Alaykum*’ or ‘*Asalam Alaikum*’ (peace be upon/with you) greeting in Urdu

Some of you might know that Alex & Louise met in Germany on Operation Mobilisation’s ‘Love Europe’ in August 1989, leading an evangelism team in West Berlin just a few months before the Berlin Wall fell (there’s a whole back story if you’d like to know more)

We kept in touch with several members of the team but mostly with someone who went on to work full time with OM in Pakistan: **Jenny Davies**. Jenny’s work includes teaching the children of the other missionaries who come from all over the world. Her regular newsletters have told us much about the stresses and challenges of living in an Asian culture, the persecution Christians face in a Muslim culture and more positive relationships within the communities she serves in, plus alerting us to urgent prayer requests for peace and stability for an often dangerous country.

Jenny is currently on her furlough (home visit/rest) during which she is visiting supporters and friends in order to tell us about her work and raise funding for supporting their outreach.

Alex & I have invited her to stay with us for a weekend and so she will be joining us at Hounsom with Portslade on Sunday morning 21st July and probably the evening service at Central. We are then planning a curry evening on Monday 22nd July, where Jenny will do a presentation on her role and life in Pakistan and answer any questions you might have

We would like to invite you all and your friends to this event. In order to know what type and how many portions of curry we need to order please sign the list in each of the churches. We hope to hold the event in one of the churches but if not many people sign up it will be at the manse, so please sign up quickly so we can plan appropriately! If you need transportation we can sort that out nearer the time, so don’t let it put you off!

It’s really important to engage with the wider world church and it’s challenges so this is a brilliant opportunity to hear from someone who has a lot of experience of cross cultural evangelism. Please come & support it. We anticipate the curry will cost about £3-£4 per person and ask for a donation towards Jenny’s expenses and ministry on top of that. But please see the posters for more details. We will provide non curry



food for people who don't like it too.

If there is enough interest following this Alex & I can do a presentation on our trip to Pakistan and some of the art and cultural experiences we had there visiting other OM missionary friends at a later date.

Thank you

*'Wa 'alayk al-salaam'* or *'Walikum Salam'* (upon you be peace)  
response or a sort of good bye)

## **1st HOVE GIRLS' BRIGADE COMPANY**

Invite you to join them

For their

# **AWARDS EVENING**

**Tuesday 16th July**

**At 6.30 pm**

**Upstairs in the church.**



## **Greetings and Good Wishes for our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

It was good to see so many people at our Service of Thanksgiving & Celebration on 22<sup>nd</sup> June, or later in the week, and it was especially good to see old friends who had made the effort to be there to share in our day, and to enjoy such a happy occasion.

Unfortunately, not everyone could be present and I share with you the messages of good will sent by some of them:

### **From our visiting preachers:**

Graham Campling: Congratulations and best wishes for an inspiring Service and hope that the Church will carry on serving the community for another 150 years!

Stuart Dew: I do hope the day goes well; I have noted it in my diary so that I can support you in prayer.

John Du Bois: May I take this opportunity to wish the congregation a joyful time of thanksgiving and celebration on the day.

### **From old friends:**

Ann McNeil (née Harries-Rees): I send all best wishes to everyone and hope that it will be a very special and blessed occasion.

Brenda Woodier: I would have loved to be there. I hope you have a memorable weekend. Every blessing.

Bar Nash-Williams: It was lovely to receive an invitation to your celebrations for 150 years of Central URC Hove - and slightly scary to realise I was with you for the 125th! It would have been just at the start of my year with you....I can keep the whole week of events in my prayers, that it will be a new outpouring of the Spirit and blessing on all you do. With love and happy memories.

Ian & Naomi McBain: We do hope that the celebrations go well and mark the occasion in style.

Gordon & Elizabeth Somerville: We do look back on our years at Central with great fondness and ask you to send our love to all our friends there....I hope your celebrations go well & Central continues to shine out.

### **From local clergy:**

Rev. Paul Doick (St. John's): Be assured that you are all in my prayers as you gather together for this important anniversary in your life and witness in Hove.

Rev. Talisker Macleod (All Saints'): I am very much hoping to be able to be there and to support you in your celebrations. Every blessing.

Rev. Keith Richards (St. Barnabas'): I'm sure all will go well and that the day will be full of blessings. I hope it proves to be the beginning of the next 150 years.

Sheena Ireland  
Church Secretary



# CHURCH CALENDAR

## JULY

SUN 7	Family Service – Holy Communion Rev Alex Mabbs Extra-ordinary Church Meeting Evening Worship – The Junction	10.30 am   6.30 pm
Wed 10	Elders' Meeting	7.30 pm
SUN 14	Family Service Rev Peter Elliott Evening Worship – Judas Iscariot Rev Roger Wood	10.30 am  6.30 pm
Tue 16	<b>GB Awards Evening</b> (in Church)	6.30 pm
Wed 17	Men's Fellowship – Car Rally Meet at Farney Close, Bolney A272	6.45 pm
Sun 21	Family Service Rev Roger Wood Church Meeting Evening Worship – The Twelve Rev Alex Mabbs	10.30 am  12 noon 6.30 pm
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Operation Mobilisation Pakistan Meet Jenny Davies over Curry Venue: T.B.A.	7.00 pm
SUN 28 <sup>th</sup>	Family Service Dr Graham Campling Evening Worship – Holy Communion Rev. Alex Mabbs	10.30 am  6.30 pm
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup>	Christian Book Club – The Lifeboat ( Carol Tyler)	8.00 pm

## *Service of Celebration—22nd June*

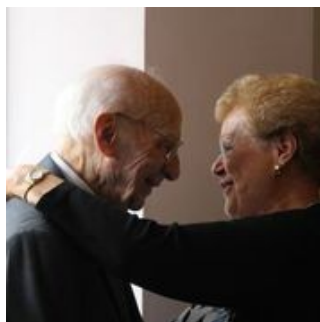


The Chief Guests: Mike Weatherley MP, The Mayor , The Moderator & Alex



The Welcome Pack  
Or  
Meet & Greet Squad

A Warm Welcome to Central



## THE CLERGY & THE CAKE



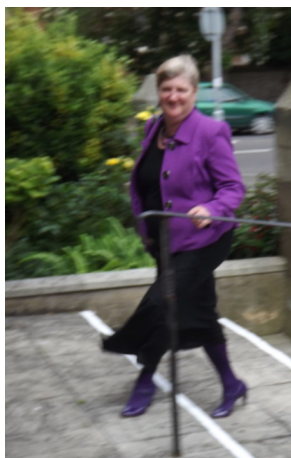
Brian & Brenda Stone



Louis & Alex



Kim & Roger



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Hulcoop





# THE FLOWER FESTIVAL

## Pentecost



From this



To this



The Wedding at Canaan - Jesus turns water into wine



Moses and The Burning Bush

The Parable of the Sower







The Easter Story



Jesus and the Samaritan Woman



David & Goliath

Jesus calls the Disciples



Living Waters



## The Exhibition



The Barn where the original Sunday School was held.

Sunday School Teachers' Outing



GB & BB Memorabilia.





## AUGUST

SUN 4	Family Service – Holy Communion	10.30 am
	Rev John du Bois	
	Evening Worship	6.30 pm
	Rev Peter Elliott	

- All contributions for the **AUGUST /SEPTEMBER** edition of the magazine must be handed in no later than **SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> JULY**. **Please remember this is a double issue so September's news and start dates should be handed in.**
- Please inform Mrs Sheena Ireland by Wednesday of the preceding week of any calendar changes so that the calendar on the Order of Service may be altered.

Please note that all the halls are let for the week 29th July - 2nd August. Please do not try to gain access during this period, except after 6.00 pm. Unless it is an emergency in which case speak to Craig Whitely, the leader.



## FLOWERS FOR JULY

- 7<sup>th</sup> Peter Gear – in memory of his mother
- 14<sup>th</sup> Mrs J. Gurden
- 21<sup>st</sup> Peter & Celia Elliott – in memory of their grandson, Kevin
- 28<sup>th</sup> Keith & Ann Austen – Wedding Anniversary

## **CHRISTIAN BOOK CLUB**

In June members of the Book Club read “An Alien at St Wilfrid’s” by Adrian Plass, a Christian author, some of whose other books had been read by a few of the group.

The alien in the book appeared as a small “blob-like” friendly character that sat in the pews emanating light. This strange creature was thought, by some, to be an embodiment of the Holy Spirit sent to improve relationships within the church, St Wilfrid’s.

Only four members of the church, one of which was the vicar, were able to see and talk to nNunc, the alien. In so doing, they became more aware of their own faults and of the difficulties of others, thereby transforming their lives for the better.

As usual, there was free and frank discussion, with much laughter and the views varied widely. Some enjoyed the book; others disliked it and some were disappointed – but we *had* all read it.

Certainly the evening was worthwhile, with discussion of some of the core elements of the Christian faith. The story also revealed the need for open-heartedness and empathy in creating an effective church community.

Over coffee an interesting discussion spontaneously sprang up about the value of belonging to the Book Club. It was generally agreed that we had read books we would never have thought of reading, including some from the Bible. Some we had loathed; some we had loved; some, though surprisingly few, most of could not read or finish at all. Even the books we had disliked had widened our horizons and made us think about our attitudes, our beliefs and our faith. Those, who had soldiered on to the end of the most dreary/baffling book just because it was the Book Club choice for the month, felt a real sense of achievement.

And it is not just something which can be measured in terms of books read but also of friendship and a better understanding of each other.

The book for July is “The Lifeboat” by Charlotte Rogan.

We will meet on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July at Carol Tyler’s house.

## **ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS**

Over the week of celebrations of our 150 years of worship and outreach, we were particularly blessed by warm and, occasionally, sunny weather, which, although it gave the flower arrangers a headache, added to the festive atmosphere.

At the Service of Celebration on Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June, we were pleased to welcome the Moderator of the General Assembly of the United Reformed Church, Rev. Dr. Michael Jagessar as our preacher, as well as special guests, such as the Mayor of Brighton & Hove, our local MP, Mike Weatherby, some local clergy and past members and ministers. It was a delight to welcome them all and there were some very noisy and happy re-unions.

During the service the singing was excellent and it was great to have the augmented choir sing the anthem, "Look to the World" by John Rutter. A real treat! Alan Ireland at the organ introduced and concluded the service wonderfully with his choice of voluntaries: "Adagio" from 1<sup>st</sup> Trio Sonato by JS Bach, "Prière à Notre Dame (From Suite Gothique) by L. Boëllmann and, finally, "Nun Danket alle Gott."

Dr Jagessar in a very impassioned address encouraged us to be the "Living Stones" of the church and community, as described in the second reading, I Peter 2 vv 1-10. "The Living Stone and a Chosen People." It was a very uplifting and encouraging sermon given with enthusiasm and belief.

While it was lovely to have our guests and friends join us, this was about Central in its varied forms over 150 years, so our own members read lessons and gave accounts of Central's roots and unification and our own ministers led us in prayer.

The noise level at the tea afterwards was high on the Richter Scale and there was a great deal of laughter, reminiscing and wonderment as people examined the exhibits of the two churches laid out in the New Hall.

The next day, Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>, our morning worship was led, appropriately, by the members of the Sunday Youth Ministry or Sunday Schools as they would have been called 150 years ago. The young people took a mischievous delight in reminding us that 150 years previously it was as a Sunday School that worship was first conducted on our site. So, they were the true heirs of the founders! They took the congregation on a trip down memory lane, not just by narrating the history of the young people

of the congregations but also by singing some of the choruses sung in Sunday Schools. “The wise man built his house upon a rock” and some others elicited nostalgic smiles among the congregation.

Mid-week, the church was full of bustle once more, as furniture was remanoeuvred and flowers were cut, trimmed, tucked in oases and every possible container, as arrangements were composed around the sanctuary. The Flower Festival preparations were well under way. By that evening, they were complete and the church was transformed.

The theme of each was a Bible story and in attempting to fulfil the brief, the arrangers took inspiration from both Old and New Testaments. The excitement, colour and movement of Pentecost was the largest and blazed colour across the whole of the platform with reds, oranges, yellows glowing and swirling almost the width of the church, up lectern, pedestal and walls. From this spectacle the other arrangements covered a wide gamut of stories and floral fantasy. The amount of thought, creativity, imagination put into each, down to the smallest detail, brought each story to life and gave new insights into the message contained within.

Throughout this Festival period there was a constant coming and going, not only up in the sanctuary but also in the halls where people could enjoy refreshments at the Central Café, or peruse the historical artefacts, pictures and papers or savour something of what our church is about.

There was a steady stream of visitors each day to the Flower Festival and it was always interesting to watch their re-actions to it both as a whole and also to individual arrangements. Some were very moving. Our visitors came not only from our congregation but also from other churches within Hove as well as non-churchgoers and passersby. Few left untouched.

The Anniversary Concert on Saturday evening was a joy. A fuller tribute and review of the talent shared is given on Page 26 .

Our Southern Synod Moderator, Rev Nicola Furley-Smith, helped to round off the week’s celebrations by leading our worship on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>’s morning Praise Service. She too based her address on the strengthening of the spiritual and communal life within the church as recorded in Galatians 5 vv 13-18 thus reinforcing her colleague’s challenge of the previous week.

The entire week was rounded off with a church lunch, which was plentiful, delicious and indicative of the blessings God has poured on us



throughout our anniversary celebrations and the previous 150 years. Now we must take up the challenge and responsibilities handed down to us by those good people down the years and by our Moderators as expressed in the words of the final hymn of the Service of Celebration.

***Go forth for God, go to the world in joy,  
To serve God's people every day and hour,  
And serving Christ, our every gift employ,  
Rejoicing in the Holy Spirit's power.***

So many gifts, so much good will and friendship were evident in the amount of work done, time given, helping hands extended over the week by the people of the church from 4 - 90 + years of age that it would be invidious to name names, so I won't. When everyone works together for a common cause wonderful things can happen. Our truly deep thanks to everyone in Central or associated with it; to our friends from neighbouring churches who supported us by giving of their talents and time or by visiting; to our friends who returned and showed they had not forgotten us; to neighbouring businesses who gave their support in various ways, and to God be the Glory for He truly blessed us.



SUSSEX FAMILY HISTORY STALL

## THE ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

Of the many concerts I have attended at Central, this one must rank among the best. Not least because it demonstrated what a loose description “popular classical music” is and what a wide range of styles and types of music it encompasses. The concert was well attended with over eighty people present, many of them not regular members of our church family.



Rebekah Smith

The concert opened with three soprano pieces sung by Rebekah Smith. We have, of course, known her singing for many years and it was a delight to hear how her first year of college training has added to her already considerable talent in the power of her voice, in the way she could hit and retain the highest notes and in her musical expression. Rebekah sang three equally delightful pieces as the penultimate item in the

second half of the concert.

The Sussex Flutes followed, playing classical music in the normally accepted meaning of that term. The fact that only two of their members were able to play on this occasion did not noticeably detract from the performance. In the second half they came on last, playing two lighter pieces that ably demonstrated the skill and virtuosity of each flautist, to close the concert



Victoria Hancox & Nicole Leclercq

Steve Hawksley was a new voice to most people present, and his bass baritone singing was appreciated by everyone. He sang four pieces, based by their composers on sources as diverse as Greek poetry and Negro spirituals. Interestingly one of his pieces, “*Orpheus and his lute*”, had the same title as one sung earlier by Rebekah Smith. Although based on the same Greek legend, they were by different composers and very different in content and style. Steve then opened the second half of the

concert with three pieces by twentieth century composers, all based on poems by William Shakespeare.

Alan Ireland, playing with all the skill and talent we know he has, ended the first half on the organ with three whimsical and amusing pieces, the last of which in particular drew appreciative and amused chuckles from the audience. In the second half he played a lovely trio sonata by Bach, his favourite composer. (*“The greatest composer who ever lived” in his unbiased opinion.*)

I cannot end this article without a special word of thanks to Alan Ireland for the time and effort he put in to making the concert such a success. On the evening itself he not only played his own solo pieces on the organ but, on the piano, accompanied virtually every other piece played or sung. Prior to the concert, he persuaded Steve Hawksley to sing, practised his own pieces and spent time rehearsing all the other artistes taking part.

My personal contribution to the concert, if only in a small way, was in producing the programme. My only regret is that I didn't include a line that read, *“Producer & artistic Director (Music) – Alan Ireland”*.

Tony Clark



Steve Hawksley - Bass Baritone

Alan Ireland



## **FAIRTRADE MATTERS**

Unfortunately sales have been rather slow recently so please can I urge everyone to have a new look at what we have on the stalls as the products are constantly changing being added to or replenished. There is plentiful stock of the newish 'More Than' chocolate range, which has gone down very well with everyone who has tried it. We also have new grapefruit fruit pots to add to the pineapple ones

I have a reasonably priced range of cards which you can buy as individuals or packs starting at 60p and mostly far less than anything you can buy in Clintons or other shops! I am trying to rotate these and smaller items around the stalls so everyone gets to see a different selection each month

Many other items are less than £1 & most things are less than a tenner

There are still a few current catalogues floating around, or ask me if you need a refresher. I will be getting my Christmas!! Preview ones in a month or so and then have to start deciding what to stock for the Fairtrade Fair at Hounsom in November and the other churches I supply, apart from our own stalls.

If any of you have been following the **If Campaign** – enough food for everyone 'if' we organise supplies and business in a more equitable way world wide - you will be pleased to know Alex, Izzy and Josh went to the march & some of the G8 related events in London, while I was running a Fairtrade stall at Central's Summer Fair. Buying Fairtrade from stalls such as mine is all part of the picture and part of making a difference for millions around the world. If you'd like information about any of the projects or products Tearfund and Traidcraft work with, it's well worth looking up their websites or you can ask me for information & I'll find out what I can for you

As always, if you have anything in the catalogue currently not on my stalls please let me know so I can order it in, or if you would like certain items on a monthly basis. Offers of help to run the stall from the cupboards are always welcome too – it's a very easy job as everything is priced up all you have to do is record sales and give out change.

Thank you to all my regular customers,

Louise

## **YOUR LETTERS**

*Dear Friends,*

*We would like to express our appreciation and thanks for all the enquiries, thoughts and prayers regarding our son, Colin.*

*He is now at home, following a stroke and is receiving therapy to help his gradual recovery.*

*Thank you.*

*Jim and Sheila Lyall*

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*Dear Friends,*

*We have so appreciated all your love, support, cards and prayers during this difficult time, after the loss of our dear grandson, Kevin.*

*We thank you most sincerely, as do Sally, Nikki, Sandrine and Pascal.*

*Our lives have been turned upside down, but with the knowledge of your love and God's grace we will help Sally and the family move on.*

*Yours in the Love of Christ,*

*Celia and Peter.*

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God bless all those that I love;

God bless all those that love me;

God bless all those that love those that I love,

And all those that love those that love me.



## BB BATTALION SPORTS 2013



## CENTRAL'S COPYRIGHT LICENCES

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10.30 a.m.

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6.30 p.m.

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HOLY COMMUNION

First Sunday of the month at 10.30 a.m.

Third Sunday of the month at 6.30 p.m.