

Newsletter

October 2008

Another great month has gone by; at least towards the end we did get some sunshine. We welcomed some new visitors, which is why we are here!



We met with the solicitor regarding the application for charity status. We now have a membership list and the first duty of the newly appointed members was to come together and vote three Trustees into office; the successful candidates were; Alex, Edith, & Peter, they have the role of getting us through the application and then ensuring we are abiding by the Charity Commission rules and regulations.

We held our annual retreat and this year it was at Whalley Abbey, 24 went this time and all agreed this was the best accommodation so far, so much so that we will try to book for next year. Pastor Wesley Kerr was with us again and Florence was able to minister too.



This year we looked at 'Standing in the Water' and on the Friday afternoon, we had separate male & female sessions. The ladies meeting was hosted by Florence Kerr & Beverly Drake. The men's meeting discussed the suggestion that men may find difficulty witnessing to other men. Both sessions went down well.

We have an external auditor checking the finances for us in preparation for charity status application and are waiting the response. The financial status is getting better (although we have had a busy month we must remember nearly £2000 went out on the retreat) Tithes and offerings were £1479.21. Outgoings £2392.41 leaving a balance of £4648.25. We are really blessed by the giving of the Fellowship, and thank the Lord for His provision.

- Edith Neilson will minister on Sunday 05th & 26th October
- We look forward to the visit of Regional Superintendant Kevin Peat on Sunday 19th October.
- A Fireworks Night will be held at 23 Ravenglass Close Wednesday 05th November
- Rev John Cave will minister on 23rd November and 7th & 14th December
- We are also preparing for the Christmas Eve Carols Service where we shall meet at 6.00pm for about one hour.

On a personal note, most of you will know that Pastor Alan goes in on 24th October for a replacement knee operation, please pray for him (and more so for the poor hospital staff & Beverly & Adam).

Please remember the prayer nights are alternate Tuesdays and are hosted by the Fellowship in their homes on a rotational basis. In addition, the Bible studies continue every Thursday at 7.30pm.