

WORSHIP & MISSION TEAM

A small group of people met on 8th November & 6th December 2010 to explore ways of developing the mission of our Church in the community and to bring thoughts and ideas for future worship. Everyone in our Church is very welcome to this regular forum and your thoughts and ideas would be greatly appreciated. Here are the plans which were made:

Arrangements for Christmas 2010 were confirmed as follows:

12th December, 10.30am Gift Service, toys for Action for Children, gifts will go to their Project in Wakefield. Carol singing in streets off The Avenue starting from Church starting at 6.30pm, collection for Action for Children.

19th December, 6.00pm, Community Carol Service with Nativity at SMC with St Andrew's & St Aelred's. Information to be sent to Belmont House.

22nd December, (Wednesday) Advent Devotions for all, 7.30pm at Church

24th December, 2.00pm Carol singing at Bilton Hall – as many voices as possible needed. 11.15pm, Christmas Eve Communion at Woodlands.

Christmas Day Service at 10.00am. The Worship band will play

26th December at 10.30am Circuit Service at Woodlands. No services at Starbeck that day.

Sunday 2nd January – no evening service.

Covenant Service – 16th January 2011 at 10.30am felt to be the most appropriate occasion.

Dedication of Pastoral Visitors – to be during the 10.30am service on 23rd January 2011. Pastoral Committee to be asked to consider the possibility of cover to local residential homes.

2011 will celebrate 400 years since the translation of the Bible to the King James Version. Starbeck will adopt the "Bible Fresh" project at our annual Covenant Service on 16th January; publicity to start after Christmas. In the feedback forms from our Away Weekend many people expressed interest in smaller group studies so invitations will be offered asking for days/times which suit people best. A 'Bible Buddies' approach could follow.

Confirmation Course – currently being run by Nick with 6 young people. Those who feel able to make a commitment would be received into membership on 20th February 2011 at 10.30am.

Thoughts/ideas needed on continuing nurture of those young people.

Holy Week Reflections – Monday 18th to Wednesday 20th April at 6.15pm in Julie's cafe on the High Street using video material. A small group would be needed to set up equipment in good time to start. If numbers of visitors are too great for the cafe then some SMC members would withdraw to Church and form a prayer group. Maundy Thursday's Reflections to be held at Church at 7.00pm.

Good Friday Reflections to be held at Church at 2.30pm.

Walk of Witness – Nick to liaise with St Andrew's & St Aelred's with a view to a parade within Starbeck only, perhaps concluding with an open air service/devotion outside the Prince of Wales. It is likely that St A's have another activity on that day but should SMC be bold and witness to the community even though numbers may be lower?

Pentecost Service – An outdoor service on 12th June 2011, jointly with St Andrew's on Belmont Field to be explored. Marquee roof and amplification would be needed

80th Anniversary – An evening concert on Saturday 18th June; coffee morning to possibly include a time line. Keith offered to coordinate. Celebration service with a birthday cake on 19th June at 2.00pm after a picnic lunch.

The possibility of a broader outreach event on Belmont Field in 2012 involving St Andrew's and The Mission over Pentecost weekend would be explored at future meetings

The date of the next open meeting will be published in the notices