

Emmanuel Church Clermiston

June
2012

A Church for all people to celebrate Good News



Close the Gap!

Jane and Annie helped Jane's friend Clare McBeath on an Exhibition Stand at the Heart & Soul Church of Scotland event on the 20th May. Clare has recently started working for Church Action on Poverty as their Community Fundraiser for 2 days a week.

Church Action on Poverty's current campaign is 'It's time to Close the Gap between Rich and Poor'. Did you know that the gap between rich and poor here in the UK is now wider than it has been at any time in the last 40 years? Look out for more information on this campaign and how to get involved.

Jane Robertson



A giant Snakes & Ladders game got people thinking about poverty

"If you oppress the poor, you insult their Creator." Proverbs 14:31

www.church-poverty.org.uk

Try Praying

Below are a few comments from the **Try Praying** website from people who had given it a try.

- ❖ *I came to faith through that Try Praying banner hanging outside a church - I went in and prayed!*
- ❖ *I have one of your booklets which helped me out a lot with finding out about Jesus. I would love to give one to each of my friends.*
- ❖ *I asked if he tried praying to God. His reply to me was he didn't know how to anymore...A few weeks later I heard from him to say that he had found the booklet very helpful and that he had recommitted his life to Christ.*

These are really encouraging comments. Do pray for those who enquired at the stall at the Clermiston Gala about **Try Praying** and also about **Alpha**.



Pray for...

- ❖ **Heather, Fiona, Keith, Matthew and Ben** especially at this time following the death of Heather and Fiona's mum, Nancy. In their grief may they know the peace that only the Lord can give.
- ❖ **David** as he makes final preparations to travel to East Africa in July with the Lawyer's Christian Fellowship.
- ❖ **Willie** as he prepares for his ordination in September at St Mary's Cathedral.
- ❖ **The Holiday Club**, run by SU in St Andrew's Parish Church from 6-10 August. Pray for enough people to help in this important outreach activity to the children in the area.

Dates to Remember

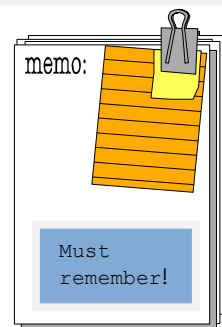
Sunday 3rd June
Fellowship lunch after the service

Saturday 30th June
Ladies' Walk and Lunch
(see article)

Sunday 1st July
Fellowship lunch after the service

Sunday 8th July
Daniel's Baptism
at the Priory Church
South Queensferry

August 6th-10th
Holiday Club at
St Andrew's church



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Rev. Terry Harkin

EDINBURGH CITY MISSION - WEST PILTON CHRISTIAN CENTRE

The work at the Centre is lead by Tom Kisitu, supported by Missionary Sarah Johnson and a team of dedicated volunteers.

Tom is a Ugandan church minister. He studied at New College in Edinburgh and has served in various capacities in church and society, in Africa and the United Kingdom. He is married to Winifred and they have 3 children.

There are encouragements in the work at West Pilton, with people attending the drop-in cafes, bible study sessions and a creative afternoon once a week, run by Sarah, where the women can explore their creative sides through crafts and baking. There is also a commitment to the ongoing team ministry with the churches in the area, and some families who came to the Centre have gone on to join the local churches. Alongside this there are acts of vandalism - the consequences of problems in the community which are deep-rooted and not easily overcome. Do look at the ECM website www.ecm.org.uk and read the article by Tom in the March Newsletter.

We look forward to welcoming Tom on 24th June and hearing more about his work in West Pilton.

LADIES - Walk the Walk!

Sheila Divine is organising a walk and lunch for St Thomas's ladies and invites any Emmanuel ladies who would like to join them!



All women are welcome to come for a walk on **Saturday 30th June** followed by lunch at the Hawes Inn, South Queensferry. The walkers will meet at St Thomas's at 10.30am. For those who feel energetic, you may walk from the Cramond Brig to South Queensferry, have lunch and then walk back. For those who would prefer a shorter walk, you may walk through the Dalmeny estate and back for lunch.

For those who would rather not walk please meet us at the Hawes Inn at 1.00pm. The cost will be £10.00 for 3 courses.

Please let Sheila Divine know as soon as possible if you require lunch by e-mailing divine_family@blueyonder.co.uk or phone 539 0358 .

Please can you also indicate if you require transport or can provide transport for others.



Sermon Series

June

3rd June *'The Filling of the Holy Spirit'*
Acts 4:31
Terry Harkin

10th June *'Life in the Spirit'*
Romans 8: 17-30
Iain MacRobert

17th June *'Everyday wisdom for everyone'*
Proverbs 1:1-3,12
Terry Harkin

24th June **Guest Speaker**
Tom Kisitu
Edinburgh City Mission



Let your creative juices flow...

- ❖ Please give Dorothy items for the **July** Newsletter by **Friday, 22nd June**. email ken.dorothy.893@btinternet.com
- ❖ Please let Dorothy know any **change of address or phone number**.
- ❖ **Remember you can post articles directly to the blog** on the website by emailing info1588.emmanuel@blogger.com A few people have done this and it is really easy!!
- ❖ **Jane has started to update the website** to reflect the change to the Rannoch Centre but **please review the website** and email janerobbo@blueyonder.co.uk with any new information. It is important to keep the website up-to-date as many people looking for a new church will check the internet first.



All the latest news can be found on our blog at www.emmanuelclermiston.org.uk

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