

Family News from Tim & Joy: Tim's Mum, Brenda, was called home at the beginning of April aged 88. We give thanks that she is now resting in the arms of the Saviour. His father Leslie now aged 91 continues to live at home and remains in fairly good health. Leslie and Brenda were married for 67 years.



Joys Mum, Phyllis has been very unwell lately and often says she 'wants to go home to see Jesus'. As part of the Colne Valley Mission, Phyllis recently hosted an evangelistic meeting where she talked of God's goodness to her over the last 94 years.

Tim and Joy have now completed seven years of service with Counties and have been granted a Sabbatical for three months from 1st January 2015. **Chris** will be going to University in Canterbury in September, whilst **Matt** continues with his work at Hillside School.

Prayer Points

- Please pray for the people leaving the Team and those who have recently joined or are about to.
- We would especially value your prayers for the new Centre Manager that all will be well in this new role. That we may see God's provision as we step out in faith for this change.
- Remember the new 'Home for Good' initiative. Please ask God to empower Paul & Louise as local HFG leaders.
- Please continue to pray for more team members in the bereavement and loss work and also in office admin.
- Please remember Tim & Joy trying to balance work and family life. That their sabbatical may give rest and confirm the Lord's direction for the future. Also for our boys too.

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Prayer Letter from Tim & Joy Ayrton



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Prayer focus and news from SUFFOLK

All Change at Number 72 !!



"All change here!" is what the bus conductor loudly shouts out. At Number 72 we are facing the most significant changes in our seven year history. The major change is that the Management Team have taken the prayerful decision to step out in faith and recruit a full-time Centre Manager.

We hope to make an appointment from October this year. The Manager's role will be to take responsibility for the running of Number 72, and to head up the Team in proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus. The role has been set as full-time, so that we can increase our community involvement. With this in mind we are particularly looking for a Church or group of Churches who we can join forces with. We believe God is challenging us to expand the area of Number 72 and offer our services on a wider basis. Watch this space as we look to see God's guidance in all these things.

We believe that God is presenting us with a very clear challenge to develop the work further and this cannot happen without a Centre Manager in place. If you feel able to share this vision, we would be delighted if you would stand with us in the appointment of a full-time manager.

Please continue to pray for us all as we look to know His direction and provision. With much appreciation,
Tim & Joy Ayrton



Hi our names are Paul & Louise Bunton, we are the local champions for Home for Good in the Sudbury area. Over the past ten years we have been foster carers and gone on to be adoptive parents. Have you heard of HOME FOR GOOD?

Home for Good was launched by Care for the Family, CCPAS (The Churches' Child Protection Advisory Service) and the Evangelical Alliance and has become a national campaign which aims to make fostering and adoption a normal part of Church life.

Thousands of the most vulnerable children in our society have nowhere to call home. There are 6,000 children waiting to be adopted in the UK, and 9,000 more foster families are urgently needed.

The Church is uniquely placed to offer its help to meet this need. As a large social network with involvement of large numbers of families, the Church is fertile soil for recruitment. Once carers have been through the full process of assessment, the Church could provide an excellent community of support to wrap around families who are adopting or fostering children.

Since the launch of Home for Good UK, we have gone on to set up a hub in Suffolk, with people from Lowestoft to Sudbury. We are so excited to be part of this new initiative. We are also very pleased to be part of the team at Number72, promoting Home for Good in Sudbury and District. We are aiming to build up a support network for those in our area who are adopters and foster carers, and we want to help and encourage others that may be considering fostering and adoption. We so need Churches to be aware of their role to support and encourage these families. We believe this is an amazing opportunity for us to show the love of God in action and to play a really positive role in the lives of these vulnerable children.

If you would like to find out more, we would love to hear from you.

Contact us at info@number72.org

Paul & Louise Bunton

Saying 'Goodbye' to Number 72

Rita Moulsher has been the Trust Treasurer for the last six years. She has done a sterling (!) job managing difficult financial situations whilst keeping the bills paid and producing budget plans. Rita advised us of her impending retirement in 2013, but in typical style has stayed on to see her replacement appointed.



Andy, Rita and Caroline

Caroline DuPlessis joined Number 72 four years ago. She has been a great asset on the bereavement and loss team, and is a popular member of the drop-in where she sees people on a one-to-one basis. Since marrying Graham and becoming Mrs Jack, Caroline has gradually reduced her hours and has taken the opportunity to spend more time with the family. As Caroline leaves 72 she will also be able to support Graham in the family and community ministry in Bury St Edmunds. Caroline has been well known for the excellent team lunches she has produced. The home-made goodies on the menu have been a firm favourite with Team and Management!

Andy Beard has been all things IT and Admin at Number 72 since 2012. He has worked on our mailing lists and internet security, sourced and replaced our equipment and redesigned our information leaflets. He too has been part of the bereavement and loss team and has been part of a successful year long project to produce bereavement support resources for younger children. Andy leaves Number 72 to increase his work with young people and families at Queen Edith Chapel in Cambridge.

Please pray for Rita, Caroline and Andy. We give thanks for their work and pray God's blessing for the future.



Nigel Smith is a local Chartered Accountant and a member of Great Cornard Christian Fellowship in Sudbury. He is Accountant/Director to Future Vision a Christian charity, and is also part of the team at 'Fellowship Snooker.' Nigel – welcome on board!