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The newsletter of
The Well Christian
Healing Centre

MAY 2017

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The Rev. Anne Hibbert

Jesus has Risen!

Alleluia! He is risen! He is risen indeed! I just love declaring this amazing fact on Easter day. These words never cease to move me deeply in my spirit. Jesus truly is the Resurrection and the Life. I'm always fascinated by the accounts of His resurrection appearances. Why didn't the disciples recognise Him? Why did they have to give Him something to eat to prove that He wasn't a ghost? There will be lots of reasons but maybe one is that they were in such a dark, confused and bereaved place where they were not expecting Him to turn up. Many of our Guests who visit the Well are in a similar place. I love the fact that Jesus still today can go deep into our spirit where we hold questions, hurts, fears and disappointments. Immediately Jesus speaks peace to us. We see this again and again when after prayer our Guests exclaim: "I thought that I would have to take this to my grave" or "My spirit feels lighter!" and "The pain has gone!"

I long for the day when we occupy our new home, 20 Augusta Place, and our vision to be open 6 days a week is fulfilled. Many more people can then encounter Jesus' healing and love. Please pray that by the end of May we will have enough money to commission both Phase One and Phase Two of our renovation plans. Especially as the second phase includes the creation of 5 individual, enclosed Prayer rooms where our Guests will have privacy and quiet to encounter God's healing love. What a blessing that will be!

Our dream... all Three Phases!



The new Christian Healing Centre: Will we raise £160,000 by 15th May?

Our vision is to open 6 days a week so that many more people can encounter Father God's healing and love. For this to happen, we felt we needed a permanent ministry base, a dedicated Christian Healing Centre, in Leamington Spa.

Last year, thanks to your generosity, we were able to secure 20 Augusta Place. It was a real God-send, fulfilling many of our requirements. However, it does need a lot of renovation work to transform it into the Christian Healing Centre we envisaged – and that would require substantial additional funding.

But this has never been just a story about a building. It's a story of Father God's faithfulness and love, of calling us to turn to him in prayer and step out in faith. We had no idea where the money would come from. But He did. Through his prompting, our supporters have shown an incredible outpouring of generosity. By December 2016, we had received £163,392 in gifts and financial pledges towards the renovation costs. By March this had grown to £196,000.



This is the current kitchen!

But we still need a further £160,000 by 15th May to complete Phase 2 of building work straight after Phase 1. This second phase includes upgrading the toilets, creating the kitchen, disabled toilet, new offices and prayer rooms, rewiring and installing a new heating system. Our Prayer Ministry Team, Office Team and Volunteers are looking forward to being all together under one roof!

As of the end of April 2017, we are delighted to report that so far our supporters have rallied round to donate or pledge £63,000 of that £160,000 target so far. Isn't that wonderful? We're nearly half way there!

We still need £97,000 more by 15th May – but we know that nothing is impossible with God!

So please join us in praising God for this amazing progress, and in praying for Him to release the remaining £97,000 in the next few weeks. Our Trustees meet again on 22nd May to make some important decisions about the next stage of building work, based on the funds that we have had in by then.

To pledge or donate to the Building Fund, donate online at:

www.wellhealing.org/online-donation

or, if you'd like to give in another way,

call the office on 01926 888003 or

email: office@wellhealing.org

If you know other people that might be interested in donating, please ask them to contact us so we can provide them with up to date information.

And we'll regularly be updating the progress of the Building Fund online at www.wellhealing.org

Healing Testimonies from Our Guests

God is GOOD!

This Guest first visited us in February afterwards we offered her a Beginnings Prayer. This took place just before Easter. However six weeks previously she had undergone an operation to remove a tumour from her brain. The after effects of this left her with a constant headache and unclear vision. She writes,

"Returning home from my visit to The Well, the dull ache/cloudiness following the op, which left when I was with you, have kept away.

After a good night's refreshing sleep, my eyesight has improved, lines/edges are straighter and very especially my eyes are no longer light sensitive requiring the use of sunglasses in open daylight or when under spotlights. I was able to walk to outside today without wearing dark glasses!

Writing is no longer a strain, and I look forward to being able to read the screen at church which had left me with headaches since the op.

We have been praying that the tumour would diminish and disappear and my consultant was pleased that part just 'came away' unexpectedly during the operation. I had not fully acknowledged the seriousness until he was thankful to have saved my sight. When you prayed off the shock and

trauma of that during prayer it resonated strongly, and I think it was quite significant. It's like I've been in a bubble or numb over the past weeks which I'm sure was God's protection but am now feeling more "in my right mind"!

I do think that God used the situation to bring much healing – physical, as well as emotional and spiritual - as I would not have come to the Well pre op, when the deep seated rejection/abandonment surfaced and made us consider the Beginnings Prayer.

I trust that my life story of repeat patterns of rejection and subsequent lack of trust has been broken through prayer. Thank you so much for taking time with me.

I'm excited to see what the next chapter might bring, but also celebrating Easter with the fresh recognition of Jesus' death for my healing, and his resurrection bringing life - and in all its Technicolor fullness!

Moving from Loss to Joy!

My first visit to The Well was in June 2015, a few weeks after my husband and I had experienced a miscarriage at our 12 week scan. At the time I was struggling with an overwhelming feeling of sadness and anxiety. I remember my husband suggesting that I went along to The Well for prayer. At first the thought terrified me as I wasn't sure if I could cope with talking to someone I hadn't met before about the painful loss we had just experienced. However, after a bit of persuasion I decided to go along.

On my arrival at The Well I was made to feel very welcome and soon felt at ease. I was introduced to the ladies who would be praying for me and was taken over to a private area of the room to share and pray with them. I spent a considerable amount of time talking

to them about what had happened and it wasn't long before I found myself releasing all the emotions that I had captivated inside (the box of tissues came in very handy at this point!). The ladies took time to pray for me and encouraged me to commit our lost child to God. They also prayed a prayer of blessing for a future family. I went away feeling more at peace and glad that I had taken the time to pray with others and to commit our loss to God.

A year on that prayer of blessing has been answered. We now have the amazing gift of a precious son who was born exactly a year to the time we experienced our loss. We can now see how God used that time not only to draw us closer to Him but to trust Him for his plan for our lives.

The Power of the Cross

I had come home from work having had a particularly difficult day and everything just became too much. I took a relaxing bath, a quiet place where I often pray. The hurt and pain inside began to bubble up and afterwards I lay on the bed a sea of tears streaming down my face and I cried out to God "Please, please help me Lord I can't do this. I need you so much right now."

Normally, I would have to go back out to work at 7pm until 10pm but my shift had been cancelled. God had a plan!

After I had cried out to him from what was a total place of despair and desperation I heard deep inside His still small voice gently say "Go to the Well!" When I arrived it was very busy, it was obvious I was in a state which you immediately noticed and made a Team available.

I talked through things and was listened to in a truly empathic way which helped me to relax and made me feel

better. The Team prayed that the Lord would meet me at my deepest point of need and bring healing and restoration. And then the Holy Spirit ministered to me in a way that only He can. I would describe it like this. I felt as if the hands of the Father reached in and tenderly, gently and yet so powerfully took away my pain. What I was experiencing was the Father's heart of compassion for his broken child. It was the most beautiful encounter of love and tender care I have ever known.

What I saw also was a picture of Jesus hanging on the cross having endured and suffered for me to be free. The power of the cross! He knows, He cares and He has deep compassion for our suffering. I just wanted to share this with you and to say thank you.

God Bless You and your Team and your New Building. (It's going to be very busy I believe).

Celebrating our Fabulous Fundraisers!

Taking on a sponsored challenge or running a fundraising event are both great ways of raising funds for The Well. And we have three fabulous feats of fundraising to celebrate in this issue:



Stepping out! Sara Bennett on her sponsored walk

What an amazing total from the Bennett team!

One bright, crisp day last November, one of our team, Sara Bennett, did a sponsored walk of 10km from Hatton to Leamington. Her route took her along the Grand Union Canal starting just beyond Hatton Locks, a flight of 21 locks with a total fall of 45 metres. Her journey finished at the then offices of The Well – where she celebrated with balloons, banners a well-deserved cup of tea and slice of cake! Sara raised a fabulous £2,311 for The Well.

Sara's son Xander Bennett was left with severe disabilities including brain injury after collapsing with heat stroke followed by a 15 minute cardiac arrest whilst training for a marathon in 2014. The ministry team at The Well supported Xander's healing process with prayer. Xander wanted to show his gratitude – although he already volunteers regularly for The Well, he also wanted to raise funds. So he decided to jump out of a plane on a sponsored tandem skydive, raising an amazing £1,680.

Karen Clark did something a little more grounded to raise funds - she opened her house up for an afternoon of tea and cake. Rather than charging, she asked for donations. She also gave out copies of The Well's literature to those who came. Karen raised over £400 – that's a lot of tea and cake!

Thank you to Sara, Xander and Karen for blessing us in this way. We really appreciate the time and trouble you took to raise these funds.

Would YOU like to raise funds for The Well?

ORDER A COPY OF OUR NEW FUNDRAISING PACK!

Doing a sponsored challenge or fundraising event isn't just a great way of raising funds – it can be a lot of fun too, and even stretch your own boundaries! And we've put together a Fundraising Pack to help you.

Call us on 01926 888003 or email: office@wellhealing.org for a copy.

FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

These events can be booked online at www.wellhealing.org

QUIET DAYS

11 May

Letting God speak to you through the Sky. Oxon

18 May

The Lord is my Shepherd - Reflections on Psalm 23.

Stratford upon Avon

8 June

Jesus The Bread of Life.

Leamington Spa

17 June

"Oh God Why? Finding Treasures in places of Darkness. Leamington Spa

23 Sept

Rest for the Weary. Leamington Spa

9 October

The Book of Ruth – A Love Story!

Hampton Manor

11 November

Angels. Christchurch,

Leamington Spa

4 December

Jesus the Way. Guest Speaker: The Bishop of Warwick. Leamington Spa

TEACHING DAY

20 May

MEN OF INTEGRITY – principles from the life of Joseph. (Men only day).

Speaker: Maurice Markham.

Stratford upon Avon

HEALING TRAINING COURSES

4 May (eve) and 13 May (day)

Limbrick Wood, Coventry

21 Sept (eve) and 30 Sept

Leamington Spa

This course is Biblical, resourceful, practical and fun! Visit our website and see a video of Anne Hibbert sharing about this course.

NEW COURSE - PART TWO

following on from

The Well's Initial Healing Course

24 June The Living Well, at Top Barn,

Holt, Worcs. Speakers: Maurice

Markham and Anne Hibbert

Feed-back from the 1st April when we taught this course for the first time:

"This is a great day of learning and blessing. Anne and Maurice are inspired communicators who make the teaching clear and encouraging. The activation exercises are excellent for engaging and stretching us. And the prayers for each other were just wonderful illustrations of the love of Christ."

STREAMS IN THE DESERT – EVENTS FOR WOMEN

19 June

Wholehearted Worship

Speaker: Claire Russell

25 September

Looking in the Mirror

Speaker: Anne Hibbert

13 November

Our God a Powerful King! Ps 68

Speaker: Anne Coles

NEW COURSE

10 June and 14 October

Healing the Family Tree

St Nicholas Church Radford Semele,

just outside Leamington Spa – A

Teaching Day to discern unhelpful

themes and patterns travelling down

the Family line. Speakers: Maurice

Markham and Anne Hibbert. Repeated

on 14 October – Leamington Spa

SOAKING AND RESTING PRAYER

Times to relax in the presence of God

Wednesday afternoons:

10, 24 May, 7, 21 June, 5, 19 July

Thursday evenings:

25 May, 22 June, 20 July

Soaking and Resting Prayer takes a break in August and recommences in September. Please visit our web site for autumn dates.



"CUPPA AND CAKE"

Fundraising Event,
Sunday 4th June 2.30-5pm,
Wren Hall, Wroxall,
Near Warwick CV35 7ND

Why not come along (and bring some friends) to enjoy some tea and homemade cakes in the beautiful Warwickshire countryside? All proceeds will be donated to The Well.

Until we move to our new home our weekly prayer sessions are at St Mary's church, St Mary's Road, Leamington Spa CV31 1JW.

EVERY TUESDAY

2.30 – 4.45pm

8.00 – 9.30pm

EVERY WEDNESDAY

10.00am – 12.15pm

Appointments not needed. Please just come. Last session starts 45 minutes before finish.

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