

INDUSTRIAL MISSION IN DERBYSHIRE



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A message from the new Chair of Industrial Mission in Derbyshire.

The Rev'd. Dr. John Davies

When it was suggested that I might serve as the new Chair of IMD in succession to the Rev'd Christopher Harrison, it was an opportunity I jumped at with enthusiasm. The ideas which underpin the work of IMD, essentially arising from the felt importance of providing public representative ministry in the workplace and in the public sphere, resonate deeply with me. As a curate in city centre and inner city Liverpool I was taught to be on the front foot, to be publicly visible and available as a Christian minister, ready to offer the compassion, the attention and the challenges of Christ in some apparently very secular contexts. And I was taught to see these contexts not as alien or closed, but as places where the Kingdom of God was already established, needing encouragement or interpretation. I served as chaplain to a department store, a Health Authority HQ, and perhaps more predictably to a hospital and two schools. Since those days as a curate I have served as chaplain in a number of other contexts, and the vision I was shown as a curate also takes me out and about in my parishes, a public representative of the faith, witnessing to the Kingdom and its presence and its challenges in the world.

IMD presently sponsors over thirty chaplains offering public ministry in a whole variety of contexts. I look forward to working with Harold Dobbin and all the other chaplains, and also with the Council and Executive Body of IMD. I myself will be offering chaplaincy in the courts at Derby: I'm currently liaising to set that work up.

I've read with care the summary of the recent ecumenical review of the IMD. There is a lot of very positive affirmation for the work undertaken. I also pick up some challenges – how to draw chaplains together to offer support and encouragement in what can sometimes be a rather isolated task; and also how to help chaplains reflect theologically on the key work they do. In coming months we'll follow up those suggestions. So there are leads to pick up and work to do. I look forward to the coming years working with IMD.

John Davies

Industrial Mission in Derbyshire

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Constitution and Purpose

Industrial Mission in Derbyshire is the partnership of all the churches in the county that acts as a focus for the link between the Church and the economic life of the county. Chaplaincy is its core activity and it enables the Church to touch the lives of those who would otherwise not come close. It seeks to affirm and encourage, and bring the light of the gospel to an understanding of work, enabling people to find the presence of God in their daily work. The world of work has changed over the past few years with a decline in manufacturing and an emphasis on service industries and the public sector, and the economic downturn over the last year has offered further challenges.

Council members.

Rev'd Dr. John Davies, (Chair from March 2009)

Rev'd Christopher Harrison. (Chair from September 2008 – February 2009.)

Rev'd Canon Keith Orford. (Chair – retired in autumn 2008.)

Mr Phil Johnson. (Secretary)

Mr. Humphrey Boam. (Treasurer), Anglican, Company accountant. (*To retire in 2009*)

Rev'd Philip Webb – County Ecumenical & Development Officer

The Ven. Christopher Cunliffe. Archdeacon of Derby – represents the Bishop of Derby

Inspector Jonathan Saunders – Baptist, representing the Chief Constable.

Mrs. Jean Brocklehurst – Roman Catholic representative.

Mr. John Saville - Anglican Business member.

The Rev'd Dr. Moira Biggins - Methodist, East Midlands Airport Chaplain.

Mr. William Bryant - Diocesan Council for Social Responsibility.

Rev'd David Downing – United Reformed Church & City Centre Churches.

Mr Geoff Henshaw – Chair of Agricultural Chaplain's support group.

Mr Graham Hinds. (Agricultural Chaplain)

Mr. George Seabury – Resigned as Retail Chaplain at Westfield Centre in autumn 2008.

Officers.

Rev'd Harold Dobbin (Interim Principal Chaplain)

Rev'd Richard Jordan. (Church and Society Officer)

Dr Paul White. (Consultant)

Associate Chaplains.

Captain Sean Andrews – Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service HQ & Tesco, Mickleover
Rev'd Anthony Bell – Police 'C' Division, Chesterfield
Mr Tony Barson – Westfield Shopping Centre, Derby
Rev'd John Baines – Police 'B' Division, Glossop
Rev'd Derek Beech – Westfield Shopping Centre and Somercotes Health Centre
Rev'd Nigel Bibbings – Police 'C' Division, Dronfield
Deacon Fiona De Boltz - Police 'D' Division, Swadlincote. (*Due to move in August 2009*)
Rev'd Frances Blood – Celanese, Spondon
Rev'd Mair Bradley – Police 'B' Division, Ashbourne & Derby North
Mrs Sheena Bryden – Ashbourne Airfield Industrial Estate
Rev'd Reg Coles – ASDA, Long Eaton
Rev'd Ian Falconer – Police 'C' Division, Bolsover
Rev'd Alan Fitch – Crown Derby
Rev'd Canon Ian Gooding – St. Gobian, Stanton
Rev'd Geoff Halliday – Police 'A' Division, Ilkeston
Mr Graham Hinds – Agricultural Chaplain, West Derbyshire.
Mrs Anne-Louise Hodcroft – Derby Playhouse
Rev'd John Hoskins – Police 'B' division, Bakewell
Rev'd Lynette Houghton – Police 'B' Division, Matlock
Mr Michael Hughes – Sheepbridge Industrial Estate and Centre for Further Education, Chesterfield.
Rev'd Christopher Kinch – Police 'A' Division, Long Eaton
Mr James Lindsay – Railway Chaplain
Rev'd Tony Luke – Derby County Football Club
Rev'd Nick Mark – Police, Chesterfield & Staveley
Rev'd Miles Mitson – Rolls –Royce
Fr Bill Naylor – Police 'D' Division,
Rev'd Godfrey Nicholson – Police 'D' Division, Peartree. (*Due to move in August 2009*)
Rev'd Canon Keith Orford – Coordinator of Police Chaplaincy
Rev'd Canon Robert Parsons – Police 'A' Division, Belper
Mr Nigel Selby – Rolls Royce
Mrs Linda Sandars – ASDA, Spondon
Rev'd Paul Sandford – ASDA, Sinfin
Mr Alan Winfield – Derby Mountain Rescue Service
Rev'd Frank Willett – Robinsons, Chesterfield
Rev'd Canon Ian Winterbottom – Police, Derby Divisional HQ & Derby North
Rev'd Ian Worrall – Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service HQ
Rev'd Jenny Yule – ASDA, Sinfin

Retired/moved:

Rev'd Reg Coles – ASDA, Long Eaton
Rev'd Christopher Kinch – Police, Long Eaton
Rev'd Canon Robert Parsons – Police, Bakewell
Rev'd Paul Sandford – ASDA, Sinfin
Rev'd Frank Willett – Robinsons, Chesterfield
Rev'd Canon Ian Winterbottom – Police, Derby Divisional HQ & Derby North

Appointments during 2008-2009

Rev'd Ian Worrall - Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service HQ
Captain Sean Andrews - Derbyshire Fire & Rescue Service HQ & Tesco, Mickleover
Mrs Linda Sandars - ASDA, Spondon

A Year of Change

Rev'd Harold Dobbin – Interim Principal Chaplain.

The last year has seen a number of new faces in IMD management, but the ministry of our industrial chaplains has continued faithfully. It is this valuable ministry that IMD is all about, witnessing to the presence and power and love of Christ in the workplace. The IMD Management Committee and the IMD Council exist to serve and support this ministry, and it is in this area that there have been so many changes in the last year.

Keith Orford retired as Chairman in the summer after many years in post, and he will be greatly missed, as will his extensive knowledge of most areas of IMD's work. Christopher Harrison was appointed in his place, but after only a few months was appointed to St Mary's, St Peter's and All Saints, city centre churches in Nottingham, so he had to stand down. Part of his new role will be involvement with Industrial Mission in Nottingham, so we may still see him from time to time. This meant we were without a Chairman until John Davies, Vicar of Melbourne, was appointed in March this year. We wish him well as he takes up his new work among us, in addition to his parish ministry.

Last year also saw the retirement of the Principal Industrial Chaplain, Ian Winterbottom. He had become a very well known face and had contacts in the Industrial Mission world throughout Derbyshire, the East Midlands, the whole country and in Europe. He had been actively supporting existing chaplaincies and helping to create new chaplaincies. With his retirement came the withdrawal of funding for this full time post from Derby Diocese, the major provider of funds. This meant that there could not be a full time replacement for Ian, and I was asked to step in as the interim Principal Chaplain (on a voluntary part time basis) to hold the fort until the future becomes clearer. I have a background in Police chaplaincy, about fourteen years, based at Chesterfield and then at Alfreton until 2004. I am at present taking up the Bombardier (the Derby train maker) chaplaincy, hoping to be able to fill the shoes of Gavin Parker whose retirement left a vacancy there.

Things have certainly not stood still in the chaplaincy field. This year has seen the establishment of the chaplaincy at Westfield, the new shopping development in Derby city centre, with Tony Barson and Derek Beech as chaplains, and the possibility of involvement from Paul Morrison, the recently appointed Minister of St Peter's church in Derby. This year has also seen the establishment of the Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service chaplaincy, Ian Worrall and Sean Andrews being the first two chaplains, with the hope that we can find more chaplains where there are other opportunities in the Service around the County, and progress is also being made in chaplaincy to the Courts.

IMD's website www.derbyshirechaplains.org.uk has been brought up to date by Paul White, based in the IMD office at Queen's Hall in Derby, who has also put together the first newsletter of SOWN (Spirituality of Work Network) and SOWN News can be accessed via the website.

All in all, many changes but much is being achieved. I will end with someone who has not changed, Phil Johnson who is responsible for IMD admin at Queen's Hall. He keeps us all organized. Where would we be without you, Phil? Thank you.

Harold Dobbin.
Interim Principal Chaplain

Local Ecumenical Partnership Review – Mrs Jean Brocklehurst.

Strategic Developments

The outcome of the Derby Diocesan Review is awaited, but the review of IMD as an LEP (written by Philip Webb) for CTD has been completed. It was pleasing that it was so very affirming of the work of IMD, and the role of the Principal Chaplain in facilitating this work. The Council has a robust Business Plan that depends on resources being maintained, and it is hoped that the current model of chaplaincy provision can continue. Some recommendations relating to the promotion of IMD have already been addressed whilst others, such as Charity registration, are still in process because of changes of personnel.

Interest in chaplaincy is still very strong and provision has been maintained, and in many areas, expanded.

Police Chaplaincy is the largest sector with twelve chaplains in post. The pressures on the force are considerable and it takes time to build relationships with chaplains. It has been important for chaplains to get involved and going out in police cars at night time is still much appreciated. The Rev'd. Keith Orford continues to co-ordinate the work and he is hoping to recruit more chaplains so that there is one in every police section and every divisional base.

Agricultural chaplaincy continues to meet a vital need in the north of the county. Graham Hinds is working in collaboration with the Mental Health workers in the Primary Health Care Trust (PCT) with support from Derbyshire Rural Community Council and the Farm Crisis Network amongst others. Feedback described his role as lifesaving! He is hoping to recruit some voluntary help and extend the work to the south of the county and Derby market.

The manufacturing industry includes Rolls Royce, which is currently undertaking a review of the way chaplaincy is organised, but Nigel Selby and Miles Mitson are becoming increasingly well known. All sites of this massive organisation in Derby are visited on a regular basis. New contacts are emerging and it is hoped to double the strength of the chaplaincy provision. Chaplaincy work continues with the small businesses on the Sheepbridge Industrial Estate in the north of the county, and on the Airfield Industrial Estate in Ashbourne, where there are many migrant workers brought in from Derby.

Retail chaplaincy continues in importance. Chaplaincy is well established at Asda, Tesco and at the Westfield Centre in Derby, where Derek Beech and Tony Barson are becoming well known. George Seabury has retired after several years of valued work with Asda. IMD is looking to strengthen its links with the City Centre churches. Derek Beech also continues his work at Somercotes Health Centre.

Other Chaplaincies. Derbyshire Fire and Rescue Service (DFRS) came under the IMD umbrella in January 2009 when two new Chaplains, Revd. Ian Worrall and Captain Sean Andrews, were commissioned. DFRS hopes to have chaplains in all fire stations, and they have made a financial contribution to the work of IMD. Contact with the Courts is also well established and it is hoped that chaplaincy services can be offered soon. Chaplaincy at Pride Park, at East Midlands Airport and on the Rail Network continues to be supported. Much work has also been done this year on ensuring that formal agreements are in place for all chaplains between IMD and the respective organisation that the chaplain seeks to serve.

The Chaplaincy Hub

The Chaplaincy Hub is hosted by IMD and supports chaplains across different disciplines such as work, education, and health, to enable experience to be shared. It is based at Queen's Hall Methodist Mission in Derby, and the appointment of Dr. Paul White on a consultancy basis working with Phil Johnson has enabled the office to be staffed on four mornings per week. Paul has revived the Spirituality of Work Network (SOWN) and the SOWN Newsletter and updates the IMD website on a weekly basis. On-line discussion is being encouraged across the network and membership of the SOWN network is open to all. A number of volunteers have also helped with the work over the past year, all on a short term basis between other commitments. IMD has also been promoted at various events throughout the year, and several organisations have asked IMD to talk to them about the work of chaplaincy.

Training needs are being addressed with two chaplains undertaking the IMA training course this year. A new University accredited course is being launched at Cliff College, and IMD has been invited to be part of a core group to engage with it. Engagement with national organisations will also be facilitated by SOWN.

The current unstable economic climate suggests that chaplaincy in the workplace is vital. The work of IMD has been affirmed in so many different ways over the past year, and it is hoped that it can continue to be well funded in terms of personnel and finance.

From the Police Chaplaincy Co-ordinator.

Rev'd Canon Keith Orford.

A notable event in the past year has been the holding of the National Chaplaincy Training Course at Butterley HQ. Eight chaplains from the Force took part together with Insp. Jonathan Saunders, Canon Ian Winterbottom and two from other Constabularies. The aim of the course was 'to provide through a range of diverse learning activities, the opportunities for students to explore the range of ethical issues which directly relate to their role as chaplain to the police'. The nature of chaplaincy was identified as a presence that was independent, impartial, occupational, open to all, non judgemental, confidential, incarnational, and spiritual, with respect for all. The task was one of caring and love for the Force and for individuals which included being a critical friend. The course highlighted a number of issues relating to personal safety and accountability, which are being pursued.

A major change has taken place in that within the force Chaplaincy now relates to the new Confidence and Equality Division. This has brought a significant improvement in the support that is available and there is a commitment to raise the profile of chaplaincy. Steps have been taken to record the scale and scope of Chaplaincy activity in order to give a measure of its value to the Force.

Since 1998 it has been the practice to aim at appointing chaplains to each Police station to cover the section and other staff at any one location. Chaplains have also covered the four operational Divisional HQs but only C division has current cover. However in three of the four geographical divisions of the Force the number of operational sections has been reduced by merging stations together under one community safety inspector. This is having some impact on how officers are deployed. It has been agreed to aim to maintain a presence at each station where appropriate and for chaplains within a section to collaborate together. In March 2009 there were however only 13 chaplains in place with hopefully one more coming into post. There is a long standing need for a headquarters chaplain and there are at least six other vacancies to be filled. Recruitment of chaplains is a key priority for IMD. There will be

further departures in the summer of 2009 and we are grateful that the Methodist church builds chaplaincy into successor appointments.

Activity in the year has included involvement with a small number of funerals, assisting custody units on a couple of occasions and leading the Annual Carol Service. Engagement with induction training is now being set up. Canon Keith Orford has continued as Force Co – Coordinator with Insp Jonathan Saunders as the Chief Constables appointee to the IMD Council.

Chaplains' Reports.

Tesco - Mickleover Chaplain - Captain Sean Andrews.

This chaplaincy is going very well. It has been in operation for 8 months and involves myself going into the store once a fortnight on a Thursday and meeting members of staff. I have already had the opportunity to help a number of folk who work there. I am well received by staff and management, which is encouraging. I have also had a number of out of hours calls which again is encouraging as this means people are aware that I am contactable outside the agreed store hours.

Fire Service Chaplain - Captain Sean Andrews.

The chaplaincy is now officially in place; however we are still waiting for the Fire service induction training which will be held on the 15th of May prior to being let loose on the watches. My responsibility is for 3 stations in Derby Ascot Drive, Nottingham Road and Kingsway, which includes the college.

Both Ian and I were commissioned at a special service held at Alfreton in January. This was an excellent occasion and really cemented the chaplaincy into the organisation. I am looking forward to being able to serve our firefighters here in Derby.

East Midlands Airport Chaplaincy

East Midlands Airport Chaplaincy does not come under the auspices of IMD, as the airport is situated in Leicestershire, but the team values its links with its Derbyshire colleagues. It exercises a varied ministry, with a full-time lead chaplain, Rev Roy Monks, and five part-timers: Father Michael Eastwood, Rev Dr Moira Biggins, Rev Dennis Smith, Rev Jane Micklethwaite and Pastor Jo Tanner.

Pastoral care for staff and passengers, in daily situations and in emergencies, is a core activity. The team manages the airport Prayer Room as a place open to people of any faith or none, and provides resources to aid prayer. Encouraging people to consider the Christian faith is an important part of the work, and it is always a joy to see people finding new life with God. Public worship and prayer events are conducted every week, with special events for Advent, Christmas and Easter. The chaplaincy team itself meets regularly for prayer and considers this key to the effectiveness of the work.

The team frequently has ministry students on placement to study this form of chaplaincy, and in 2008 welcomed Grace Mang'ula, an airport chaplain from Kenya, on a study visit.

Funds are raised for a specific charity each year, alternating between UK and overseas causes. In 2008, the chaplaincy organised a sponsored walk around the airport perimeter in aid of the air ambulance based there. The airport community got

thoroughly involved (even the managing director did the walk) and the event looks set to become an annual fixture.

East Midlands Airport Chaplaincy Team with publicity material for the Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Rutland Air Ambulance based at the airport.



Left to right:
Father Michael Eastwood
Rev Roy Monks
Rev Dr Moira Biggins
Rev Dennis Smith
Rev Jane Micklethwaite
Pastor Jo Tanner

Agricultural Chaplaincy Project – Graham Hinds.

“Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute”. This proverb has been very relevant this last year as I have found myself being asked to support individuals in a proactive way through their struggles. I think this has been borne out of a growing confidence and trust that folk have in the service that the project offers. It’s a privilege to be able support in this way.

“Warm calling” visitation has extended to include the area between Chapel-en-le-Frith and Glossop, where also a supporting volunteer has come on board. My planned visits programme has included a lot more hospital visits. Sadly within this, three farmers have lost their battle with cancer. There’s a real buzz at Bakewell livestock market each Monday, with increased traders, farming families and other folk. It’s a great environment from which to operate. Generally stock prices have steadily increased over the year, breathing some welcome, though cautious optimism in to the industry.

The local churches continue to be a source of encouragement, expressed in their generous financial contribution towards the running of the project.

Thanks are expressed to the admin staff at IMD for their help and support over the last year.



For the future?

Subject to funding, extend the area to the south part of the Dales

Recruit 2 additional volunteers

Facilitate the emergence of at least 1 farm social group

Graham Hinds (Agricultural Chaplain, 07833 638562, grahamhinds@hotmail.com)

Railway Mission Chaplain – James Lindsay.

Training - The chaplains have all attended the Trauma Evaluation Assessment Management Course with the British Transport Police. This was another valuable exercise as support is always offered after incidents on the railway. The East Midlands continues to experience its share and our support is valued.



Open Doors - A very warm welcome was received at Network rail's brand new control centre here in Derby. The manager and I remembered one another from my early days with the Mission, three and half years ago. Similarly, I'm looking forward to visiting a new freight depot just outside Derby. Once again, the manager is an acquaintance from a previous franchise, and Chaplains have supported his staff through many difficulties in the past.

Opportunities – Praise God for another successful grant from the Railway Benevolent Fund, made to another employee supported through his long-term sickness. Give thanks too for several hundred pieces of literature that have been accepted throughout the network and for many 'God-incidents' where I have been in the right place at the right time. One such occasion enabled supporting a member of staff who had suicidal thoughts. I was also at two locations where support was offered to staff after the sad loss of colleagues. God gives many divine appointments throughout the network. It was also encouraging that two tickets for an Alpha Supper were recently accepted by a staff member after several spiritual conversations.

I continue to be invited to various churches to speak about Railway chaplaincy.

The Remembrance Service – In respectful commemoration of the 90th Anniversary of the end of WW1 around 80 people gathered by the memorial plaques at Derby station. Just before the 11th hour, 11 Bible verses of hope were read aloud as part of the service. My thanks go to Gavin Parker (retired chaplain) for taking part. Thanks also to our BTP colleague who played his cornet for us and to East Midlands Trains for providing refreshments in the first class lounge afterwards.

Carol Singing – I joined together with a team from Youth With A Mission (YWAM) to hold two carol singing events on 16th and 18th December in the foyer of Derby Station. It was fun to proclaim the wonders of Christ through our "joyful noise unto the Lord". (YWAM also generously gave out mince pies and chocolates.) Both events were well received by staff and passengers alike. Heartfelt thanks to all involved.

Railway Mission Calendars – A record 4000 were delivered throughout my region in the busy run up to Christmas. It is a joy to see them used in so many places, all containing a great message and visibly displaying scripture verses. The entrance of God's word really does bring light into these difficult times.

In His Service – Sadly I've had to conduct another funeral service for a railway colleague who lost his battle with bowel cancer. After taking the service in Nottingham, the family invited me to conduct a memorial service and inter the ashes at the Parish Church of his former home town of Horsham. The Parish Priest was not available on the day and he was happy for me to continue serving the family at their time of grief.

Wedding Bells - On a joyful note it was a privilege to conduct the Marriage Ceremony for my best friend on January 17th at Trinity Baptist Church. Having previously prepared

couples for marriage and taken part in many wedding services, it was a real joy to declare that “you are now husband and wife” for my first time.

Give Thanks - Angels rejoiced in heaven on Monday 12th Jan as another railway man asked God into his life.

Derby Mountain Rescue Team Chaplain – Alan Winfield.

My work as Chaplain to Derby Mountain Rescue Team during this past year has been varied and interesting, from hanging off the end of a rope on a crag in the Peak District to conducting the funeral service at Derby Cathedral of a well respected and much loved team member.

The Team had decided it would be good and a way of getting to know individual members if I would accompany them on training exercises, often acting as an exercise casualty for them. This eventually developed into actually attending incidents with them; they could see an advantage of having me present, someone to put the kettle on and make a drink, but on a more serious note, some of our call outs can be to very traumatic incidents or even fatalities. Sometimes family members or friends can be on site also. So my role becomes twofold, to talk and to listen to the families and to be a sounding board for team members at the debrief, an opportunity to put my pastoral skills into practice. The work I do as Chaplain involves me being on call 24/7, 365 days a year and taking the pager with me everywhere I go, but something I find so rewarding and a privilege to be allowed to do.



Bringing a fallen climber from the crag face to the ambulance

Team members setting off on a search on Kinder Scout for two lost walkers



Chaplaincy Team Rolls-Royce plc

What we do.

The Chaplaincy Team at Rolls-Royce plc consists of Miles Mitson and Nigel Selby at Derby, and Tim Harrison (Bristol ISR) at Bristol. David Anderton who visited the Hucknall site has moved to a new parish in Newark, so at present there is a vacancy for a Chaplain at Hucknall site, which we are keen to see filled. We are looking at how we might provide interim support to the site from Derby.

Over the last year Miles and I have had a number of opportunities to provide help and support to individuals who have contacted us. We have seen a growing awareness of the Chaplaincy around the sites. We have been able to make formal presentations to a number of teams about our work and now have new literature to distribute to personnel. We are at present preparing a web page for use on the Companies intranet service.



We have started meeting with the leaders of the on site Christian Fellowships to see how we might help and support their work, and for mutual encouragement. We have discussed plans to run some form of

Christian basics course (like Alpha) but this is not considered viable within Company facilities. We would aim to encourage those in the fellowships to use their local church based opportunities for introducing friends to the faith.

Rolls-Royce, like all commercial enterprises, has had to respond to the current economic situation. We have been very aware that for some their jobs have been at risk. In many cases the Company and the Unions have worked together to mitigate job losses by redeployment within the company. As Chaplains we want to be able to support and encourage folk through these difficult times. We are also aware of the tremendous contribution the Company makes to the local economy through its employees. The success of the company extends well beyond the factory gates.

Request for your help

Will you join with us in praying for all its employees?

For those whose jobs are at risk,

For those who will be changing their jobs,

For those who will need to find employment outside the company,

For the success of the company in providing employment to so many in the local community,

For Christians at work,

their work,

their responsibilities,

their homes and families and getting the right balance,

their witness and support to work colleagues who may not share their faith?



Will you also pray for those people who have asked for our support, who are facing trials, who are distressed and anxious? Pray for us also that we may be wise, compassionate and effective, that God would guide our conversations and witness to those we serve.

Praise God that we have the opportunity to serve him amongst the 12000 staff within the company. May he grant us opportunities to present the good news to those who are seeking him?

Westfield Chaplaincy – Tony Barson.

“Who are you?” “What is a Chaplain?” “What do you do?” “Are you real?”

These are some of the questions asked of me – the last one being so important, because as a chaplain in the Westfield Centre, unless you are ‘real’ you cannot function.

One day I was talking to a young woman working in one of the coffee outlets. I noticed she was expecting a baby. I asked her how long she had to go until she reached ‘full term’ - just over two months. I asked if I could pray for her, that all would be well during this period of time with her and the baby. She said ‘**Are You Real???**’ I confirmed I meant what I had said. She replied ‘O that is really lovely.’ Over two months later in the coffee outlet where she works, I had the privilege of seeing her and her mum with the baby in a pram, three days after she had given birth. So all did go well. Her mum said she was so pleased when she found out that I had been praying for her daughter and it was nice to know someone outside the family cared in that way.

During my time in the centre from late 2007/early 2008 the leaflets showing a picture of Derek Beech and myself provided by IMD have been useful for handing out to retailers etc. These offer a short description of what we do and how we can be of help. Many thanks to Rev’d Ian Winterbottom and Dr Paul White for these leaflets.

It has been good to build empathy with Westfield Management and staff whereby mutual respect is engendered, as it is also with the many retailers. Through this, trust has developed, and people have felt confident to share personal worries, whether about employment, family, sickness or relationships. Many times people have intimated to me ‘that it is really good to know you are here for us.’

It is nice on occasion to chat with customers who often seem pleasantly surprised to know that there are chaplains in the centre and thought it a good idea that we are present.

Derek and I keep in touch by phone, and we have met up on a couple of occasions to catch up on what each of us is doing in the centre.

Finally, I had a short meeting with Janine Bone, Westfield Centre Manager, on Good Friday 10 April, as we had not met up for a while. She informed me how pleased she was with the chaplains’ presence in the centre. She felt during the present economic state affecting the retail markets, shop retail staff, food hall and Westfield employees, that we were a positive influence for good.

She also informed me how much she appreciated what we were doing. The agreement between IMD and Westfield has been signed and she hopes things will continue as they have been doing.

Training.

Captain Sean Andrews.

I have attended 2 modules for industrial mission training. The training started in November of 2008; the second module was in February 2009. The training was held at Ushaw College near Durham. The 2 modules that I have attended have been excellent and informative.

The first module last year was based around retail chaplaincy, and as part of the module I visited, along with the rest of the course, the Metro Centre near Newcastle.

This gave a great insight into how the retail industry operates and the importance of chaplaincy for those who work there.

The second module was based around the manufacturing industry, and as part of this module we visited the Sunderland Nissan car factory, which was excellent.

The training has been good in the sense that you meet Chaplains from all over, and are able to share experiences and fellowship with each other. I am looking forward to the final module in June.

Financial Statement

The year started with a balance in hand at the bank of £36,505.23 and ended the year with £44,350.60 of which £40,025.80 was in an interest bearing bank savings account, plus the £50 cash float. This maintained the policy of having one year's money in hand to cover our contractual obligations.

The office continues to be rented in The Queens Hall. (Payments to Queens Hall in the year: £1000 rent, £228.73 broadband/phone and copying.)

Payments to Graham Hinds, the Agricultural Chaplain, continued each month throughout the year, the costs being met by the East Midlands Christian Fellowship. Further donations of £174 were received, with £100 being paid to The Derbyshire Rural Community Council and £74 being added to the existing balance of £710. This is still expected to be used to part fund the services of a Financial Advisor to source funding for the Agricultural Chaplain. The Derbyshire Rural Community Council remains the accountable body for the Agricultural Chaplain.

Donations to the IMD account of £5000 from Rolls Royce, £300 from the Chesterfield Methodists and three separate receipts from The Nottingham and Derby Methodists, £1000 for workplace Chaplaincy, £1500 for the faith and work network and £1100 for the general grant.

The Luton Fund donated in 2008 the final payment of £3000.

Interest received amounted to £26.

Total payments out of the account in the year amounted to £8,064

Total receipts into the account in the year amounted to £15,910

Derby Diocese

The central Budget for 2010 has been submitted to the Derby Diocesan Board of Finance at £8034.

The actual 2008 cost against the Diocesan Budget of £7570 was £7293 (£277 under budget.) With the Principal Chaplain retiring part way through the year, direct annual comparisons are difficult to make.

Included in the Diocesan figures are the IMA subscriptions of £700, which also provide insurance for the chaplains. It is expected that as the number of chaplains grows the subscriptions amount will also increase.

The Budget for 2009 as submitted is £7800.

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Receipts	Diocese	IMD A/c	IMD A/c	IMD A/c	Total	Total
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Restricted		
	Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds	2008	2007
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Diocesan Board Of Finance (Anglican) Full Year	7570				7570	7385
Rolls Royce		5000			5000	5000
St Mary's Church Wirksworth (for Agricultural Chap)			100		100	100
EMCF (for Agricultural Chaplain)			3	3800	3800	3400
Kirk Ireton PCC (for Agricultural Chaplain)				74	74	0
Methodist Luton Fund		3000			3000	6000
Nottingham & Derby Meths (Workplace Chaplaincy)		1000			1000	1500
Nottingham & Derby Meths (Faith & Work Network)		1500			1500	1000
Nottingham & Derby (Methodist Grant)		1110			1110	1080
Chesterfield (Methodist)		300			300	280
Awards For All					0	8400
Meals Bricks & Mortar					0	130
Bank Interest		26			26	0
	7570	11936	3974	0	23480	34275
Payments						
Principal Industrial Chaplain	1203				1203	2851
Assistant Chaplains	245	18			263	0
Training	1822	68			1890	993
Faith & Work Network	1000	1321			2321	770
Support costs / Admin	1759	1637			3396	3451
Council & Management	564	120			684	564
Agricultural Chaplain				3900	3900	3400
Centre Rent		1000			1000	1000
Bricks & Mortar Project						7428
IMA Subscriptions	700				700	560
	2	7293	4164	3900	0	15357
Budget Underspent	4	277			277	49
Excess of Receipts over Payments		7772	74	0	7846	13209
Bank current account as at 1.01.08			35795	710	0	36505
Float held by P Johnson at 1.01.08			50			50
Bank current account as at 31.12.08			3541	784	0	4325
Bank Deposit/Saving Account as at 31.12.08			40026			40026
Float held by P Johnson at 31.12.08			50	0	0	50
Statement of Assets and Liabilities						
Lloyds Bank Accounts (Current and Deposit/Saving)			43567	1	784	0
Float held by P Johnson at 31.12.08		5	50	0	0	50

Notes

- 1.The restricted fund of £784 is all for Agricultural Chaplaincy. (This is expected to be used to part fund the services of a Financial Advisor to source the funding for the Agricultural Chaplain.)
- 2.The Diocese has in addition provided the housing and stipend of the Principal Chaplain.
- 3.The Derbyshire Rural Community Council is the accountable body for the Agricultural Chaplain who draw down from the extra funding that was found for 2008.
- 4 This is a memo item only.
- 5.Held for administration purposes and balanced periodically with payments receipts.
- 6.Debtor of £67.50 at 31.12.08
- 7.Creditor of £450.50 at 31.12.08
- 8.Two insurance paid out in 2008. (Feb £301.14,Dec £309.16)

The Chaplaincy Hub/Centre - Paul White.

In the year since I have been involved with IMD there have been various developments: website updating, newsletter re-launching, conference attendance with displays, visits to chaplains in their workplaces and to other gatherings, discussion group activity, making contacts with related organisations, looking into faith and work issue and material.

The IMD website, which had lain dormant for about a year, was updated and re-launched on November 12th, and has been regularly updated on a weekly basis since Christmas. Tim Gosling's tuition has been helpful in doing this. Contributions have been coming in from chaplains, but more are still welcome. Issues and articles to do with faith and work have added to the site, and a discussion page to prompt responses.

The SOWNews has also been re-launched. This regular newsletter, last issued in August 2007, was distributed in March, and was sent by email and by post to Church leaders and those who had previously expressed interest in SOWN. It is intended that this shall be published quarterly. The intention of SOWN, and how it operates, and who is involved and on what basis, is still a consideration for now.

There has been an IMD stand at local Methodist and C of E conferences over the course of the year. The Fire & Rescue Service invited us to have a display at the chaplains' commissioning service. The main themes of such displays are the chaplains' work and the relationships between faith and work.



Visits to chaplains in their workplaces have just started to happen, with Derek Beech in Somercotes being the first. Other gatherings that have been covered, and included in the website and newsletter, are the launch of GodatWork, the Fire Commissioning service, the Churches Together in Derbyshire Council.

An attempt was made in the autumn to revive the on-line Chaplains discussions group. This didn't really get anywhere at that time. It will need some consideration about what it is meant to achieve.

Contacts with related organisations have been largely about finding and using their material in the IMD website. Personal contacts have been made with Industrial Christian Fellowship and Christians @ Work.

Articles and discussions on faith and work have become an integral part of the website, and are to be included in SOWNews. Some quite controversial questions have been posed in these forums, and responses are sought on these. The question remains of how to get the relationships between faith and work into consideration within the Church and Christian people in Derbyshire. Any suggestions?

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We hope you have found this report interesting, helpful and of value in understanding the role of chaplaincy in today's world.

If you wish to know more about how you and your church can engage with chaplaincy contact Phil Johnson on 01332 361359 or by email at imd01@queenshall.plus.com or by visiting the IMD website at www.derbyshirechaplains.org.uk