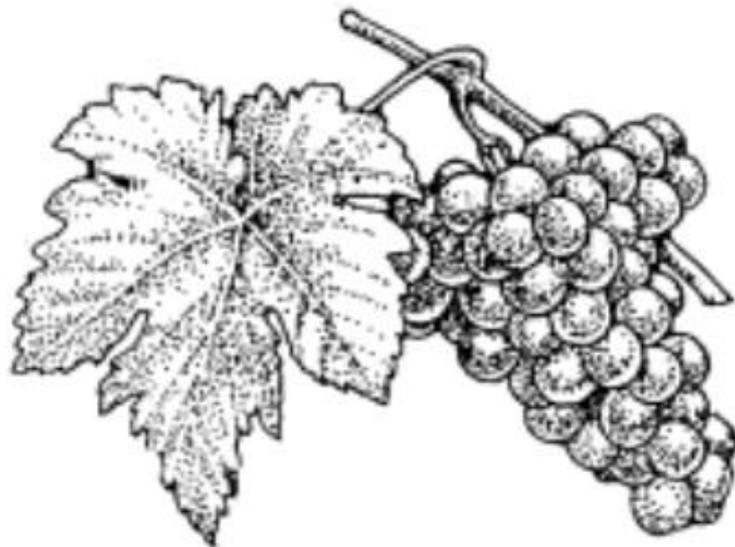


GROVE VINE

**The Magazine of
Grove Methodist Church
Horsforth, Leeds**

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**The Grove Methodist Church is called to respond to the
Gospel of love in Jesus Christ and to live out its discipleship in
worship, service and mission**

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Regular events

Sunday

- 10.20 Creche (0-3yrs) 258 3509
- 10.20 J Team (tots to 12s) 258 8803
- 10.30 Worship
- 6.00 Worship (alternate Sundays at Central Methodist Church)
- 7.30 Studio Dance SNYG 258 9093

Monday

- 9 -12.00 Pre-school (2-under 5s) (Funding 3-4yrs) 239 0335
- 12.15 Luncheon Club 258 3807
- 1.30 Network Women's Fellowship 258 9448
- 6.15 Beavers 216 9006
- 6.15 Cubs 216 9006
- 7.45 Scouts 216 9006
- 7.45 Flower Guild (3rd Monday in the month) 258 4520

Tuesday

- 9.00-9.30 Prayer Group 258 8803
- 9 -12.00 Pre-school (2-under 5s) (Funding 3-4yrs) 239 0335
and 12.00 – 3.00 Pre-school as above.
- 10-11.30 Coffee in the Centre small hall 258 3568; quiet room available
for prayer. Jean Kemp's hand-made greetings cards will be
available on the first Tuesday of each month
- 6.00 Rainbows (5th Horsforth) 259 0555
- 6.15 Brownies (5th Horsforth) 258 3670
- 7.45 Guides (5th Horsforth) 202 9010

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Looking over the roundabout...

The snowfall obliterates almost everything beyond it and carpets everything before it. The conifers across the road droop under a heavy load and the stark bare deciduous branches wave half-white in the wind. The traffic moves carefully through a mush of ice and slush, and I feel marooned in a sea of cold and misplaced Christmas-card landscape.

So, then, *this* is when we should be thinking about the real meaning of Christmas. Here and now, with mangers put away, stars stowed for another year, and flickering lights bundled in boxes. *Now*, we celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.

Why now? Why not?

Christmas isn't about a few days at the end of the year. It *is* about how we live our lives everyday. It isn't complaining about the commercialisation of a festival, but seeing how commerce can crush people under the weight of debt, bankruptcy and unemployment – and then doing something to help the victims.

Christmas isn't about celebration and good cheer for a few days and normal service being resumed as soon as possible. It *is* about cheering those who are sad and depressed, and celebrating the goodness that may be found in the world.

Christmas isn't about remembering something that happened a long time ago and very far away. It *is* about Christ being here and now, changing lives and the world, and sharing that with the many, many people who need to hear it.

A Merry Christmas, one and all.

Ali (Rev Alistair Jones)

Church Family News

Please remember in your prayers: Renee Collinson, Tony Emmott, John Hardaker, Mary Hart, Eileen Marsey, Nancy Mathers, Stan Ramsden, Margaret Reasbeck, Ros Revell, Richard Rodgers, Chris Shagouri, Eileen Stones and Christine Wilson.

Sunday Services in February

- 3rd 9.00 Rev. Alistair Jones – Holy Communion
10.30 Deacon Jenny Jones – Mission in Britain and Family Parade
6.00 United Service at Central
- 10th 10.30 Mr Emmanuel Oikelome
6.00 Rev. Alistair Jones – Holy Communion
- 17th 10.30 Rev. Alistair Jones – Holy Communion
6.00 Circuit Service at Trinity
- 24th 10.30 Mrs Margaret Tate
6.00 Mrs Moira Hunt

Stewards on Duty in February

- 3rd John Bussey and Kath Ashby
10th Margaret Shingler and David Buckley
17th Gordon Mellor and John Bussey
24th Cynthia Hatton and Betty West

From the Editorial Group

Note that the Editorial Teams alternate..... so, the March Issue will be prepared by Gill and Philip and you should send items to them no later than Wednesday 20th February.

We would like to widen our net of contributors. If you have something that you wish to share with friends at the Grove, please do let us know.

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Flower Rota for February

- 3rd Mrs M Heaton; Mrs E Hudson and
Mr & Mrs JA Emmott
- 10th Mr & Mrs P Harding; Mrs A Blackburn and
Mrs B Carter
- 17th Mr J Myers; Mrs J Douglas and Mrs E Lambert
- 24th Mr & Mrs P Abel; Miss T Marshall and
Mrs M Wilks

Situations Vacant

We have a vacancy for another **Microphone Steward**. Training and support will be given to you if you feel that you can help our Church in this way. There is a rota, so you can always say when you would find it inconvenient. The post arises following the resignation of Gordon Collis who has given many years in this job. Thank you so much Gordon. Please contact me if you would like to have a go. Tel: 258 3346.

Kay Bassett

We have been approached by Joan Wilcox who is involved in the singing group '**Sisters in Harmony**'. This is a small group of ladies who have entertained around Yorkshire and after 14 years raising funds for charity, two of the 'sisters' are to retire. They would like to continue as '**Friends in Harmony**' – but they need an **accompanist**. This will allow their support for Martin House Hospice to be maintained and if you can help please contact Joan Wilcox on Tel: 0113 294 3370.

The Mystery of the old Finnish Song Book

Early in the year 1853, Her Majesty's Ambassador at Stockholm, Mr G.J.R. Gordon, returned to Britain with a precious copy of a rare and ancient song book in his luggage. He passed it on to the Rev. John Mason Neale, already well known as a translator of Greek and Latin hymns (see *Hymns & Psalms* 79, 80, 85, 90, 104, 160, 194, 205, 208 and 485). The book is today known by the first two words of its original seven word Latin title, *Piae Cantiones*. But it isn't so much for its Latin words that the book is venerated today, it is for the music. Neale was no musician, so he called in Rev. Thomas Helmore who was, and thus the original music of some seventy-four hymns and carols reached our shores in one fell swoop.

We now know that the book was published as long ago as 1582, and was associated with the cathedral at Turku, Finland. The contents are said to be the songs that were regularly sung in Finnish cathedral schools at that time. It seems it was thought to be a good idea to collect them together in a book, to try to ensure that they would not fall out of use. That goal has certainly been achieved. But only about half of the songs are of Finnish or wider Scandinavian origin; we now know that many originated in various central and western European countries. So how was it that they all turned up together in an ancient Finnish song book – and that some of the songs never turned up anywhere else? But, more importantly, how have we all benefited from this remarkable sequence of events?

Well, surely we would be much the poorer without the lively music of 'Good King Wenceslas' (the original words are by John Mason Neale)! And what about the magnificent melodies of the three items in *Hymns & Psalms*: 'Of the Father's love begotten' (79), 'Unto us is born a son' (127) and 'Long ago, prophets knew' (83)? Then there's 'Good Christians all, rejoice' (104), based on the ancient carol 'In dulci jubilo', though this did also subsequently come to us by another route direct from Germany, its original source. And then there are items sung by choirs: 'Christ was born on Christmas day' (also now traced back to German roots), 'Up! Good Christian folk and listen' (also known as 'Ding, dong, ding!'), and the much loved 'Gaudete!' (this latter still often sung in Latin). That means eight items from our current A-list of Christmas carol and hymn tunes all arrived in Britain together, contained within this one unusual collection of anonymous music!

Tony Orton

Solutions to the Christmas Quiz 2012

The lines were taken from the following hymns and carols.

Did you get them all correct?

- 1 O come, O come, Immanuel
- 2 Away in a manger
- 3 The Angel Gabriel from heaven came
- 4 Once in royal David's city
- 5 Bethlehem, of noblest cities
- 6 It came upon the midnight clear
- 7 In the bleak midwinter
- 8 O little town of Bethlehem
- 9 Silent night, holy night
- 10 See, amid the winter's snow
- 11 See him lying on a bed of straw
- 12 While shepherds watched their flocks
- 13 God rest you merry, gentlemen
- 14 Hark! The herald-angels sing
- 15 The first Nowell

- 16 As with gladness men of old
- 17 Brightest and best
- 18 Of the Father's love begotten
- 19 Come, thou long-expected Jesus
- 20 Angels, from the realms of glory
- 21 A virgin most pure
- 22 Christians, awake
- 23 Cradled in a manger, meanly
- 24 Love came down at Christmas
- 25 O little one sweet, O little one mild
- 26 On Christmas night all Christians sing
- 27 Born in the night, Mary's child
- 28 O come, all ye faithful
- 29 Good Christians all, rejoice
- 30 Unto us a boy is born!

Were you invited? Were you there?

I was! Yes, I was invited to the Monday Luncheon Club Christmas Lunch on Monday 3rd December when, with 59 others – members, guests and staff, we all sat down to the most wonderful Christmas lunch. Soup, turkey and home made trifle. What more could we have asked for? A huge thank you to Barbara, Jean and Doreen in the kitchen and the wonderful waiters and waitresses who served us. It was a little expensive though – at a cost of £3.00 per person!!!! Where else could you get such a meal for £3.00? Afterwards, we were entertained by our own Grove Choir. All in all a wonderful time. Thank you to you all.

Beryl Thompson

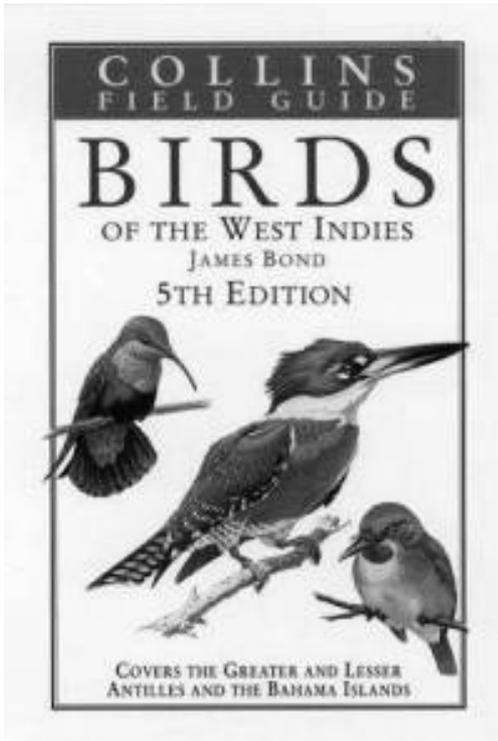
Underneath the Mango Tree....

Those of you who wanted to see it, will have seen it by now – there has been so much hype! I speak of the new 007 film, “Skyfall”. It made me remember back to the first Bond film to hit our screens – Dr No – and my memories of that. Ask anyone and more often than not (especially our menfolk) they would recall Ursula Andress emerging from the blue Caribbean clutching a Queen Conch shell to the dulcet tones of “Underneath the mango tree....”. For myself I see the opening scene where three “blind” men are tapping their way across the forecourt of a palatial old colonial hotel before discarding their disguises and wreaking havoc. This hotel is The Liguanea Club in Kingston, Jamaica and it was the place where we spent the first week of our three year work contract while we found a house to rent. The year was 1968.

It brings back a host of memories, but particularly two experiences which formed a huge learning curve preparing us for life in a “third world” country.

After a couple of days rattling around in the opulence of the place, feeling thoroughly lonely and bored as Anthony was at work straight away, I was standing on the balcony of our room whilst the maid was making the bed – only to turn round and find her hand deep inside my handbag. The look of horror in those big brown eyes I can still see to this day. She was on her knees begging me not to tell. I guess she had a string of children and parents and grandparents and her job was the most precious commodity in her life. I didn’t tell. Lesson 1: Always be security conscious. Even so, there would be other losses to come later on.

I had a map of the local area and decided to find the nearest Post Office (which was at Half-way Tree) to get stamps for the cards I had written on the Fyffes banana boat that had brought us from Southampton. As I set out I kept hearing rustling in the grass and had to keep saying to myself “this is a snake-free island because the mongoose was introduced to get rid of all the snakes – so don’t be afraid”!!! I soon got used to all the lizards that darted about. However, the walk to the Post Office was about three quarters of a mile and much more scary. I stuck out like a sore thumb. Traffic went by hooting and cat-calling and I felt so vulnerable. Lesson 2: There were certain places you just didn’t walk about on your own.



It was on the beautiful North Coast of Jamaica that Ian Fleming wrote his 007 novels. He named his house “Goldeneye” after a British duck. When he sat down to write, the first thing he wanted to give his hero was a thoroughly British name. His inspiration came from looking at the books on his bookshelf and his eye caught “The Collins Guide to the Birds of the West Indies” by James Bond. That is how James Bond was born!!!! I guess Fleming would be amazed that his original creation has lived on to encompass 50 years of film making.

But how much more amazing is it that a child born over 2,000 years ago and lived a mere 33 years is still on the lips and in the hearts and minds of millions.

Rita Grainger



A belated Happy New Year to you all...

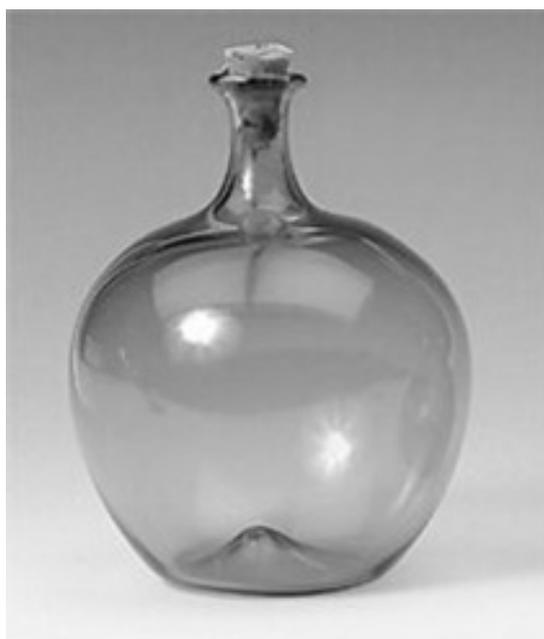
I would like to thank everyone who put so much effort into our Christmas Services – the choir, those who dressed the windows so beautifully and all who took part in our special services.

We had the Toy Service – with a big thank you for all the toys that were sent to St George’s Crypt – the Nativity, the Carol Service, Christingle and Christmas Day.

Whether you were lighting a candle, arranging flowers, doing a reading, taking part in a drama, generally helping out or just attending. It was all done with such love and enthusiasm making the time special to all of us.

Kay Bassett

The Carboy Appeal



The January/February “Charity” is:
Save Our Surgery Ltd (SOS Ltd)

Carol Hoyle says that her school was contacted in November and asked if they would raise money for this cause – especially as some local businesses have agreed to match any sums raised. The school has already sent £300 and we thought that the Carboy was an admirable way to add to that sum.

Save Our Surgery has been set up in response to the NHS plan which recommends that children needing heart

surgery in Yorkshire, the Humber and North Lincolnshire, should travel to Newcastle (or Birmingham or Liverpool). The core objective is that there should be a review of this decision believing it to be wrong and seriously flawed. SOS Ltd is a not for profit company and funds raised will help fight the closure of the Leeds Heart Unit. Any surplus money once the final decision has been made will go to the Children’s Heart Surgery Fund.

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# It's Showtime

**9<sup>th</sup> Airedale Scout Group**

are proud to present the show that everyone is talking about –

**THE X FACTOR**

The show will be performed in the Grove Centre on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 7.30pm, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 7.30pm and Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 3.00pm and 7.30pm.

*Ticket prices have again been held at £4 for Adults and £3 for Children (15 and under) and other concessions.*

Tickets are available from Eric Douglass – phone 0113 258 5519.

Come along and enjoy the Show. We look forward to welcoming you.

*Eric Douglass*

## The Funny Side of Life

*We have happy memories of Vera Julian whose funeral was held on 30<sup>th</sup> November. In the service, Ali said that he had been given the family's tribute and felt it should be shared without alteration. Although a very humorous account, it reflected the affection we all felt. We asked Vera's daughters if we could print that tribute. The reply came with further anecdotes but also with a touching message from daughter Joy "thank you once again for being such a wonderful Church family to Mum"*

**The saga of the teeth.....** Vera had a permanent smile on her face. Not only was she a happy person but she also had prominent teeth and, as she said, it was easier to smile than close her mouth! She had lost her front teeth in an accident as a youngster. The replacement false ones decided to be adventurous and have some fun, just like their owner. After only a few days, they had their first outing. At a church dance event, she won a prize and as she was saying 'thank you', the teeth shot out at an incredible speed but she managed to catch them expertly and pop them back into place. The hilarity of the teeth had begun!

Whilst visiting some friends, she managed to lose those naughty teeth down the back of the furniture in their son's room. Toothless, she asked him to retrieve them and swear secrecy but eventually he had to reveal to the family the cause of his grinning.

In due course the teeth were fed up with their owner and wanted a new home. While on holiday with friends, the teeth suddenly left Vera as she sneezed in the toilet facility. They travelled with speed across the floor, whizzing through the next cubicle to the surprise of her friend Freda and into the end cubicle occupied by a total stranger. Imagine the awkward question: 'have you seen my teeth and please can I have them back?'

Her grandchildren knew her as Nanny Vera but would beg her to do her famous vampire act. On one occasion she was asked to go for some chewing gum to provide a temporary repair on a boat being built during a family holiday. Try as they might, the gum would not stick and it turned out that Vera had bought the non-stick gum for those with false teeth.

**And camping .....** Vera hated camping and perhaps that was something to do with the time when the family tent took off in strong wind, with Vera clinging on to it for dear life. She had a good view of the campsite before being deposited on somebody else's pitch!

*Vera left this world with caring people around her, helping in every way that they could.*

*Joy Gratrex*

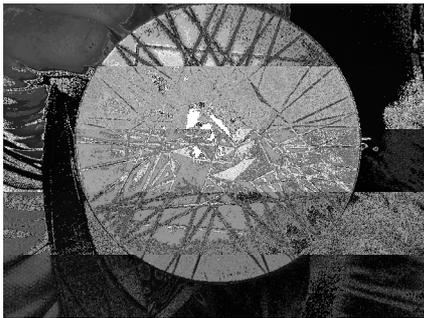
## My links with the Olympics

*Many have shared a connection to last summer's Olympics and Paralympics in previous articles, but I held back for a further connection which will be explained below.*

After all the excitement of the opening ceremony, I waited with bated breath for the first British Gold Medal. My connection, you wonder - my cousin, David Watkins designed the medals! Like most people, I talked to, shouted and cheered at the television - watching "Super Saturday", the Brownlee brothers, Nicola Adams and all. And then I waited for the chance to see 'in the metal' one of those medals.

David is an established artist in the field of decorative art and enjoys working with different materials. He is a little older than my father and lives and works in London. His design was chosen from amongst six artists who made it past the initial tendering process.

The medal itself? Its key symbols juxtapose, front and back, the goddess Nike for the spirit and tradition of the Games, and the River Thames for the City of London. The Greek Goddess, Nike - the goddess of Victory - is an element which has to be on all summer Olympic medals. She is shown stepping out of the Parthenon to arrive in the Host City.



On the reverse –

The curved background implies a bowl similar to the design of an amphitheatre.

The core emblem is an architectural expression, a metaphor for the modern City, and is deliberately jewel-like.

The grid suggests both a pulling together and a sense of outreach – an image of radiating energy that represents the athletes' efforts.

The River Thames in the background is a symbol for London and suggests a fluttering baroque ribbon, adding a sense of celebration.

The square is the final balancing motif of the design, opposing the overall circularity of the design, emphasising its focus on the centre and reinforcing the sense of 'place' as in a map inset.

Additionally, the rim of each medal has the sport and discipline of its winner engraved on it and all ribbons were coloured royal purple to mark the year of the Queen's diamond jubilee.

The medals are no longer made of the pure materials that bear their names. The Gold Medal comprises just 1% gold, with 92.5% silver and just over 6% copper. The Silver has more copper to replace the gold and the Bronze is 97% copper, 2.5% zinc and 0.5% tint.

Just before Christmas, an opportunity arose to meet the Brownlee brothers, when the former Horsforth Library was officially opened by them - now called the Brownlee Stone Centre, being used for the Youth Club. I spoke to Cllr Brian Cleasby who said that the brothers would be arriving whilst out on a training session but some of their family would be there to meet them. So it was entirely possible that they would arrange to have their medals there - to show to the young people and others present.

When they arrived on their bicycles, a lot of people – especially children - wanted their photo taken with them. It took a few minutes for the actual opening ceremony to take place. We had hoped that local Paralympian, David Stone would also be there, but unfortunately this was not so. After they had cut the ribbon, we went inside the Centre and after a few minutes, Brian Cleasby introduced me to Alistair who, by this time, was displaying his medal. My family connection was explained to Alistair who let me hold his beautiful, precious medal and pose for photos. It was very kind of him, given all his effort, training and hard work. It meant a lot to me to see my cousin's work in reality.

*Helena Watkins*

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A Prayer for all Parents

Give us the grace, Lord, to tell our children the truth
and nothing but the truth.

To issue no idle threats or promises.

To keep our word.

To apologise when we have been wrong.

To be disciplined over time.

To be courteous in all our dealings.

To answer children's questions as honestly and as simply as we can.

To let them help in all the ways we can devise.

To expect from them no higher standard of honesty, unselfishness,
politeness, than we are prepared to live up to ourselves.

Amen

What is the most important thing we do at The Grove?

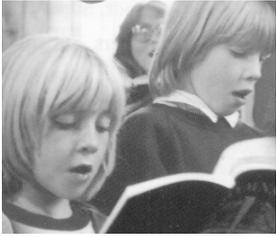
If the answer is “worship God”, you may understand the attraction of becoming a worship leader. Many churches recognise the enrichment that can come from lay involvement in conducting worship by using lay preachers, Bible readers and musical groups. At the Grove we are perhaps less familiar with the idea of a worship leader. Unlike lay preachers, who serve the Circuit, worship leaders usually offer support within the church where they are members. Their knowledge of their church and the gifts and skills of members can be helpful to a visiting preacher seeking more congregational participation. Their awareness of local needs and projects can complement that of the preacher. So what is the role of a worship leader? Here are some suggestions:

- Leading worship in part or in full
- Being part of a planning team
- Reading the Scriptures
- Leading prayers
- Giving the children’s address
- Introducing new songs
- Organising drama
- Co-ordinating the service
- Practical involvement
- Prayer support

Worship leaders have to complete a period of training. Mine involved seven 90-minute sessions led by the Ministers of our Circuit. As well as the formal presentations of such topics as ‘the nature and structure of corporate worship’, ‘preparation and presentation’, ‘leading prayers’ and ‘enabling worship’, there were group discussions, individual practical exercises and home assignments. I found it particularly helpful meeting with the other 7 members of the group, sharing our ideas and the varying perspectives of our different churches.

We were told on our course that worship leaders can do anything in a service except preach, so when I was asked to lead our Nativity Service I consulted our Minister about whether I would be allowed to share my thoughts or whether I should just not say anything. “Oh, yes!” he replied “Worship leaders can offer reflections..... just don’t preach”.





Leading worship is a daunting challenge, as I feel that I have been entrusted with the task of helping others to encounter God, but we believe in a Living Lord and can seek the power of His Spirit to help us. If anyone else at The Grove feels called to help in this way do contact our Minister.
Jean Orton



Blast from the Past

It is surprising what you can find in the most unlikely places. Browsing through a Pictorial Railway Book from the library, I came across the following:

<p>TRAVELLERS</p> <p><u>UP LINE</u> All who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ will be Caught Up to Glory, to be for ever with the Lord</p> <p><u>WHICH LINE ARE</u></p> <p>G.R.T. No. 7</p>	<p>to ETERNITY</p> <p><u>DOWN LINE</u> All who neglect God's Great Salvation will be Cast Down to Hell, with the Devil and his Angels</p> <p><u>YOU ON TO-DAY?</u></p> <p>St. Margaret's Press, Northolt</p>
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Apparently in the Victorian era "Gospel Railway Tickets" were handed to passengers at railway stations by evangelical preachers.

Peter Reasbeck

Keith Whitham is to be applauded for having undertaken a history of Scouting at the Grove. Here is the first part, showing how things were in the 'good old days'.

Troop Log, October 1937

The Scout section renewed activities under the leadership of Sidney Lawrence Righton on Thursday 7th October 1937.

The two patrols as follows:

Cuckoo Patrol: Patrol Leader -	John Blackford	18 Feb 1924
	Eric Elstub	27 Mar 1924
	Derek Smith	25 June 1924
	James Whitham	16 June 1925
Peewit Patrol: Patrol Leader -	Jack Hartley	1 July 1923
	Geoffrey Fallis	23 June 1925
	Jack Holdsworth	15 Oct 1924
	Joe Leadbitter	28 Nov 1922

7th November Parade at Chapel. Miserable day and miserable turnout, only 3 scouts followed by Cenotaph service where stood round back. It was dripping wet and cold but impressive. There is a new note of dedication for peace abroad and not so much "We are the boys of the old brigade".

11th November Court of Honour, seconds chosen, Eric for Cuckoos, Geoff for Peewits.

27th November To Scout shop for uniform Hat 4/-, shorts 5/-, tabs 4d, stave 10d, shirt 6/6, belt 1/10.

2nd December Arnold (?) is to be ASM of 9th Airedale! Oh joy, joy! What times we shall have! Good Father God for sending him along!

16 December Investiture Ceremony. Mr Smith (Commissioner) came along, in uniform, and we invested seven scouts (Joe working over). Camp fire following very good. Mr Smith very pleased with turnout and general spirit of troop.

Two new scouts joined in February 1938, Ernest Stebbings (Peewits), and Clifford Barker (Cuckoos).

Keith Whitham

Community Fundraiser

This month sees a significant milestone reached with our partnership with Utility Warehouse. The Church has received more than **£1,000** in commission, in addition to the **£6,000** saved on bills from previous utility suppliers. Also Grove Church Members who are on the CFR save on their own utility bills. Interestingly we now have 2 ladies who contribute to the Grove commission through their utility bills and who, to my knowledge, have no connection to the Grove! Thank you ladies whoever you are.

Utility Warehouse Charges:

Gas 4.185p per Kwh standing charge £1.40 per month

Electricity 13.295p per Kwh standing charge £2.90 per month

nb 10% cash back on first year's energy bills

Home phone – standing charge £11.46 per month and free calls 24/7 and up to 25 international destinations at 1p per minute.

Broadband - £2.99 per month for 9 months and £4.99 thereafter.

Up to £200 is offered towards an early termination fee if you are currently tied to a contract.

Please compare these charges with your present utility company.

Thank you Utility Warehouse for supporting Grove Church and its Members. I have attended the Grove for over 50 years and I cannot recall any company helping in this way. A big 'thank you' to all CFR Members who have raised this £1,000 through their utility bills. So, if anyone wants further information about CFR, please contact me – Ricky Hearn 281 8176

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### **Please pray for Shirley Crawford.....**

as she settles in Uganda.

Shirley said, before she left: "I am leaving home, family and friends to live out a God-given dream to love Aids orphans, rescued child soldiers and war-affected children in Gulu, Uganda. For over 20 years, Joseph Koyon (Commander of the LRA) abducted over 30,000 children, forcing them to be soldiers and sex slaves, leaving many of them severely traumatised. HIV/Aids has left over 1 million orphans. I will be Mamma Shirls to these beautiful children and I hope my love and care will make a difference to their lives"





## **A talk by Jack Myers on his visit to an Indian Wedding**

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April - Main Hall - 7.00pm**

Admission Free. Light Refreshments.

There will be a collection for the **Leprosy Mission**. Please come!

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Grove Methodist Church's History 1759 – 2012

We have had some interesting responses from people wishing to order a copy of the above booklet. Apart from articles in the Local press (Horsforth, Otley and Ilkley etc.) and The Methodist Recorder, with requests from all over England, it was also featured by the Leeds Civic Trust and the Horsforth Museum.

The Wesley Historical Society requested a copy.

Kenneth J Hudson says his grandfather James built Central Church. His father was born in Kerry Street and was a member there before moving, on marriage, to Hull. Kenneth is now a local preacher in the Stokesley circuit.

Harry Barratt, from Peterborough, writes that he lived and worshipped with his parents at Rodley Ebenezer and moved to Pudsey when he got married. Here he worshipped at Trinity Methodist and was involved with their Operatic Society as Treasurer for several years. He used to go to "Broadway Hall" dancing on a Saturday night. Happy Days he says!

Douglas Wilkinson, from Littleborough, writes that he was born in 1933 and his baptism took place in the schoolroom because of the Church fire. He also sent an interesting drawing of Upper Bank House c1951. His cousin in Lincolnshire has also ordered a copy because their mothers feature in several of the photographs.

This publication by John D Burland is still available at £5 a copy in person, or £6.00 by post from:

Philip Abel, 8 Hall Park Avenue, Horsforth, Leeds. LS18 5LN.

Forthcoming events

Sat 9 th Mar	Coffee Morning for Marie Curie
10am/12noon	St Mark's
Mon 18 th Mar	MWiB. Service of Intercession
3pm	Grove Church. Speaker Mrs Josie Burdon

Regular events (contd)

Wednesday

9 -12.00	Pre-school (2-under 5s) (Funding 3-4yrs) 239 0335 and 12.00 – 3.00 Pre-school as above.
1.30	Line Dancing 258 7444
6.00	Rainbows (14 th) 239 0335
6.15	Brownies (14 th) 250 4907
8.00	Explorer Scouts 258 0882
7.30	Wednesday Break (fortnightly) 225 2734

Thursday

9.30 – 11.30	Tots & Tykes (0-4yrs) 293 8458
11.00	Bible Fellowship 258 3239
6.00	Cubs 216 9006
6.15	Beavers 216 9006
7.45	Scouts 216 9006
7.45	Grove Ladies Group (1 st and 3 rd Thursdays) 258 2097

Friday

7.45	Choir Rehearsal 258 9093
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Walking Groups: **Thursday** 258 6579 **Saturday** 258 4520

*Items for the March Grove Vine should be submitted to Philip or Gill by
Wednesday 20th February.*

Please include dates up to Sunday 7th April 2013.

Email would be appreciated!

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