

WELCOME LAWRENCE JONES

Our minister, John Haley, first met Lawrence Jones in October 1994, when Lawrence was serving on a Mercy Ship, *M.V. Anastasis*, which had called in Cardiff. John and 'Lawrence of Arabia' immediately became good friends and have kept in touch ever since. Lawrence now works for Mission Direct and John was pleased to visit Lawrence, Debby and family at Tiler, Texas, in the summer of 2006.

JANE HOLLOWAY VISIT

Jane Holloway, National Prayer Director, will be visiting Plymouth on Friday 28 November. For further details, please see poster on white board in the vestibule

THIS MONTH:

November 2008 is now available on a green sheet. Items for the December monthly sheet should be submitted by Tuesday 16 December.

If you have items for the weekly notices, please submit them to the church office by 11.00 am on Thursday.

In the unlikely event of a fire, the fire alarm will sound. Please follow a Fire Marshall leaving by the nearest fire exit.

Assembly point: lower car park.

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**WELCOME TO
RIDGEWAY METHODIST CHURCH**

If you would like to help us get to know you, please complete the following information.

Title (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Other)

CHRISTIAN NAME

SURNAME

POSTAL ADDRESS

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POSTCODE

TELEPHONE NUMBER

E-MAIL

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS HELPFUL

ARE YOU OFTEN HOME DURING THE DAYTIME?
YES / NO (*please delete*)

- I have just moved to the area.
- I am interested in joining the church.
- I would like to know more about Gift Aid
- I would like the minister to call
- I would like information about

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(please tick as appropriate).

Please put in the office post box in the church entrance or pass to a steward. Personal information given on this form may be stored on computer.

If you are on holiday please take our greetings to your home church.



Welcome to
**Ridgeway
Methodist Church**
23 November 2008

10.30 am

**Revd John Haley
with Lawrence Jones
(Mission Direct)**
www.missiondirect.org

Please join us for coffee/tea
after the morning service

6.00 pm

**Revd John Haley
Memorial Service**

www.ridgewaymethodist.org.uk

PRAYER FOR TODAY

Christ, we confess you as the King of kings and Lord of lords. Rule our hearts and claim us as part of your kingdom. Lord, we seek to dedicate our lives to you and to your glory, and pray for all those who are working for the bringing in of your kingdom. Lord, we seek to do your will in all things. May your kingdom come in us as it is in heaven.

AMEN

This Week's Bible Verse



This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah: "A voice of one calling in the desert 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.'"

(Matthew 3:3)

THIS MORNING'S ORDER OF SERVICE

Hymns and songs are projected. If you would like a copy of Hymns & Psalms (HP) and Songs of Fellowship (SF) please ask a door steward for the books and refer to the list below.

HP 744 O for a thousand tongues to sing (vv. 1-4, 7)

SF 1501 Praise him you heavens and all that's above

SF 1607 When I was lost

SF 1404 King of kings, majesty

F 633 You laid aside your majesty

SF 102 Father we love you (glorify your name)

HP 772 Jesus thy wandering sheep behold (vv. 1, 3-5, 7)

HP 180 When I survey the wondrous cross (vv. 1-3, 5)

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MEMORIAL SERVICE 6.00 pm

We welcome bereaved families, especially those with loved ones named on this year's Memorial Roll. We also extend a warm welcome to the Torpoint Lady Singers. Proceeds of the retiring collection will go to Marie Curie Cancer Care. Donation envelopes (with the optional Gift Aid declaration) are available in the foyer and further information will be distributed with the special order of service. Gifts may also be made through the church office (by noon on Wednesday please).

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

Monday 24 November:

9.00 am - 1.00 pm Pre-school

6.00 pm Boys' Brigade

7.30 pm Minister's Bible study: The Former Prophets
(1 Kings 17-2 Kings 13)

Tuesday 25:

9.00 am-2.40 pm Pre-school

10.00 am-11.30 am Parent/Toddler Group

10.00 am-12.00 Patchwork group

3.00 - 4.00 pm Cake Café

7.45 pm Ladies' Group: Bring and Buy Evening

Wednesday 26:

9.00 am-1.00 pm Pre-school

10.00 am-12.30 pm Coffee followed by lunches

2.00 pm Funeral service: Mrs Mabel Legg

Thursday 27:

9.00 am-1.00 pm Pre-school

2.45 pm Women's Fellowship: Carl Edwards

5.45 pm Girls' Brigade

Friday 28:

9.00 am-2.40 pm Pre-School

10.00 am-11.30 am Parent/Toddler Group

Saturday 29:

10.00 am-12.00 pm Oasis Coffee Bar:

Local Mission (Pat)

Sunday 30:

10.30 am Dr Philip Walsh

7.00 pm Revd David Martin

PRAYER DIARY

Requests for prayer are included in the prayer diary for three weeks. After the third week you can renew these requests if you have updated information. Please inform a steward of your request. Prayer cards are also available for use or to be given to family or friends who might wish to send in requests.

CELL GROUPS

Cell groups are meeting as usual this week. More information from Mike Tozer or one of the stewards.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

Revd John Haley who is leading our services today. We remember family and friends of those bereaved during the past twelve months; the family and friends of Mabel Legg. We continue to pray for Joyce Keast; Cyril Stephens and Joan his wife; Michael; Mike Wright; Geoff's sister, Lyn; Eddie; Rex Richards and Jeanette; Rose Pearson; a young teenager; and Betty Abrahams.

PASTORAL GROUPS

Every member of the Methodist Church is in a pastoral group. These were arranged at our recent pastoral committee. Your pastoral visitor should be making contact with you soon and giving you your membership ticket. If you are interested in details of how to become a member of the Methodist Church please speak to the minister or steward, or contact the office.

JO AND MATT'S NEWS

Jo and Matt's most recent newsletter is now available. Thank you for your continuing support. Up-to-date news is available online at www.traveljournals.net/travelers/jomatt and through the notice board in the vestibule. They are always thrilled to receive emails or greetings. Their postal address is 16 Avenue 0-55, Zona 11, Carabanchel, Ciudad de Guatemala, Guatemala.

LADIES' GROUP

A concert will be held here at Ridgeway on 9 December at 7.30 pm. Although planned by Ladies' Group, it is a special concert for all. Please see further notices in the coming weeks.

FUNERAL FOR THE LATE MRS MABEL LEGG

It is with great sadness that the church community has received the news of the death of Mabel Legg. Our thoughts and prayers are with Mabel's family. The funeral service will be held in church on Wednesday 26 November at 2.00 pm followed by committal at Shaugh Prior Parish Church.

WOMEN'S NETWORK

The Network Carol service will be held here at Ridgeway on 4 December at 2.30 pm. Please see further notices in the coming weeks.