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Newsletter

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Foreword

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As you will have already been informed, Bishop David Middleton will retire from active ministry during the divine service I will

conduct on 17th September, at the East Midlands Conference Centre in Nottingham. We are deeply thankful to our dear bishop for serving out of a loving heart and with great energy for some 49 years as a minister.

I am pleased to advise that his successor as bishop for the UK and Ireland will be Shepherd Neil Woodman, who is currently the rector of London Central congregation and a district minister in the UK South. I can also inform you that at the same time, Evangelist David Abrahamse, rector of Manchester congregation, will be appointed as district rector for the UK North district.

Both Neil Woodman and David Abrahamse will continue in their chosen professions and will therefore not be employed by the church.

I am delighted and immensely grateful to our two brothers that they have agreed to accept this great responsibility to serve in the Lord's work. I know that they will minister to you with great love and dedication, and I ask you to accept them into your hearts and support them with your love and prayers.

With love and greetings,

Rüdiger Krause

Introduction

Neil Woodman

I was born in South Africa, where I qualified as a Cost & Management Accountant. Adelle and I moved to UK in 1998. We married in April 1999 and have been blessed with three children.

I have been working in the software industry as a finance director for the past 25+ years and currently employed as a CFO for a small software company. Adelle has been working as a perfusionist for the NHS for 25 years. We live in Chalfont St Peter with our kids, two dogs and three cats.

In the past 25 years, since being in the UK, we have attended the London Central and Luton congregations where I have been serving as rector. I have been assisting as district rector for the South District, caring for London Central, London East and Luton congregations.

We have three children, Llewelyn, who studied Environmental Science at Southampton University and since then started a job in this field, Emile who is a qualified carpenter and Klara who is currently doing her A-Levels. I like to stay fit, and whenever there is a moment, I will get out on my bicycle or indoor bike. I love watching and supporting the England rugby and cricket teams and I'm an avid Formula 1 fan.



Neil Woodman



Neil Woodman and Family

I am truly blessed with the love and support of all ministers and members, and I firmly believe this work cannot be done without the love of the congregations.

Being asked to take on the role of bishop for the country wasn't expected but has reminded me how Jesus managed everything with humility. Our chief apostle shared a word with us on Pentecost in

2 Timothy 1:7. 'For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.'

We can all take this word and apply it in our lives and continue to strive for worthiness to be ready for Christ's return. ■

Introduction

David Abrahamse

One of my favourite text words is one that I repeat to myself each morning before starting my daily routine, Matthew 19 a portion of verse 26: '.... with God all things are possible.'

It serves as reminder to me to trust in God in every situation and to acknowledge that as His child, He loves me and will help me daily. I take great strength from it.

My wife, Judy and I arrived in the UK from Cape Town in December 1994. We were married on a Saturday and then promptly flew out the following day.

I had secured a secondment with KPMG in their financial sector practice in London for 18 months. That is almost 30 years ago! I was originally offered a role in the Manchester office however turned it down (a myth that I had partly bought into – it rains all the time!) and accepted a role in the London office instead. Truth – I went to London for the experience, and it was where God wanted us at the time.

Within ten years God had moved the circumstances again and we were where He wanted us to be, in Manchester.

I was made redundant and before having served my notice period God had provided another job in the North West. A tremendous blessing.

On arrival in the UK, we lived with Judy's aunt and uncle for a while in Romford and attended the closest congregation, Ilford. We experienced the warmth of the love of the members and ministers right from the very first service – invited to stay after service and share in a wonderful roast chicken dinner.

Once Ilford closed, we attended in Well-ington where I served as a priest from late 1996 and on 15th October 1997 I was commissioned as the rector by the Apostle Freund. Later, I was asked to take on the responsibility as the area Evangelist for the South East and then became the UKIE Youth Leader for some time.

We moved to the North West, UK in 2004 and have attended Manchester congregation ever since.

I qualified as a Chartered Accountant in 1994 and currently work as an Internal Audit consultant and have started a Life and Executive Coaching business.

We have two children, Michael who is studying medicine at the university of St Andrews and Sarah who is studying mod-



David Abrahamse

ern languages at Reading university.

I am tremendously thankful for the love and support of ministers and members over the years including many who have passed on. I received great encouragement and correction, when necessary, always in love which has helped me to grow.

Being asked to take on the role of district minister for the North District is very humbling. I am encouraged by the words of Apostle Paul in Philippians 4:13: 'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.' I look forward to working together with all the members and ministers to promote the love of God. Let's continue to pray for each other daily. ■



Cambridge

A lively and entertaining performance was provided by several members of our chamber choir to raise funds for a local Food Bank in Milton, Cambridge. The All Saints Church was very well attended and almost £400 was raised on the day. ■





Fellowship

Children's Day in UK West District

On 11 June, the children, parents and teachers came from across the UK West district to gather in our Gloucester congregation for the annual children's day event.

The day began with a children's service around the theme of 'friendship' followed by an afternoon picnic in the verdant terraced gardens at the home of

Deacon David Hume. Even the eventual inclement weather failed to dampen the joy of all involved.

The occasion allowed for food, fun and fellowship and many new friendships were made, supported by the children

being able to send a message on pre-addressed post-cards to each other.

Memento packs were also given to the children to remember the day and, especially, the message of our friendship in Jesus Christ. ■



Fellowship

Musicians Weekend 16th-18th September

Music is such a wonderful way to experience our faith and bring praise and honour to the Lord! There are so many ways of doing this. What better way to prepare for the district apostle service on the 17th September than to take part in the different musical events happening in Nottingham on Saturday 16th September.

A recorder workshop, where you will have the opportunity to play as part of a large ensemble, playing some interesting pieces. This will start @ 13:00 at the St Leonards Community Centre - NG8 2ND

The next event that will be running will be a Praise and Worship 'Jam' Session. This is for anyone who plays a band instrument (bass, guitar, drums, cajon, piano) or if you'd just like to join in and sing some great worship songs. This will start @ 13:00 at the St Leonards Community Centre - NG8 2ND

And finally, an opportunity to be part of the choir that will perform during the highlight of the weekend, the service with our dear District Apostle Krause. A practice will take place between 16:00 -18:00 in Nottingham at the St Leonards Community Centre - NG8 2ND

Don't miss your chance to be part of something extraordinary! Sign up now for these captivating events or dive into the choir practice music to give yourself an advantage in learning the pieces. If you're yearning to play in the orchestra during the service, let us know.



The children will have an opportunity to have a meet-up and make wonderful music together with Pr Jeremy Dawson. This will take place between 15:15 – 16:00 at the St Leonards Community Centre - NG8 2ND

For all the activities, just follow the link below or scan the attached QR Code! ■

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Divine Service

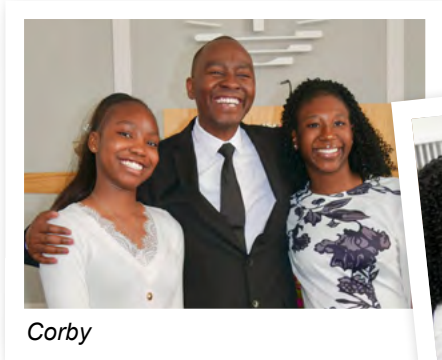
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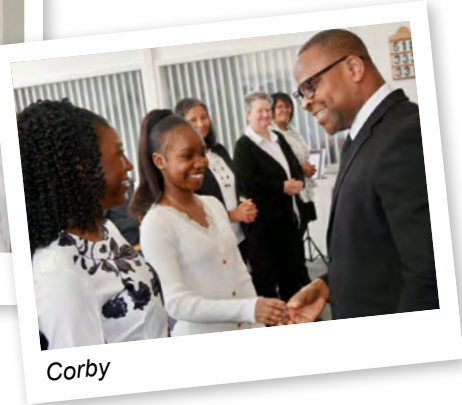
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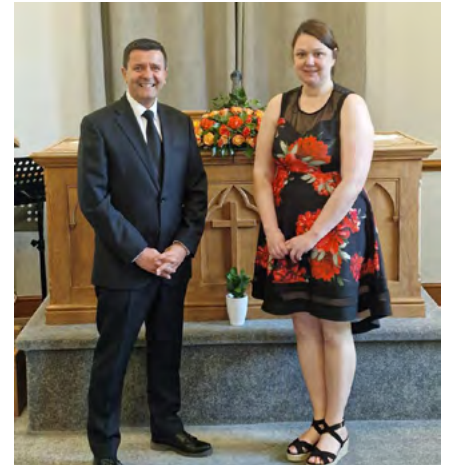


Thames Ditton

Deacon David Hume ordained for Gloucester congregation



Holy Sealing in Cambridge



Priest Morgan Price retirement

After some 46 years as a minister and beloved long-standing rector, Priest Morgan Price retired in a festive divine service in Brynamman, Wales. Brethren, family and friends travelled from all over the UK to attend the divine service and share in this special moment with our dear Priest.





Congregation

What a month in London East!

London East, a small and faithful congregation has experienced a myriad of blessings.

This commenced with Bishop Middleton visit on 09 April 2023. This would be the bishop's last visit to London East before his retirement from the ministry. What a joyous occasion it was to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday and further blessings dispensed with the holy baptism of baby Myelle.

Sunday 30 April 2023, was another special occasion. Some would refer to it as a 'Christmas special,' an outpouring of blessings from the altar. London East congregation was blessed to have Apostle Heynes lead the service. The congregation were able to witness the holy sealing of baby Myelle; confirmation of our brother Connor De Wet; ordination of the deacon ministry upon our brother Kilian Agyemang and the bestowing of the silver wedding blessing upon our beloved Rector Leon De Wet and his wife Carmen De Wet. The music pieces delivered moved the hearts of all in attendance and set the scene for the bestowing of all of the gifts.

As a congregation we feel immensely blessed and thankful to God. Truly, what a month it has been in London East. We would like to thank our ministers and musicians for their sacrifice and preparation, everyone for their prayers and offerings and most importantly our Lord Jesus Christ. ■

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