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## Cotswold Group of Unitarian & Free Christian Congregations

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## Merry December Everybody!

Here is a brace of quotes I gathered in early November -the first an anonymous typed note found on the floor at Bayshill, and the second an opinion expressed to me by one of our most venerable Cotswold Group members:-

*"Please be reminded or informed that, as we all have our weaknesses as well as our strengths, on the whole we all neither win nor lose. Thank-you."*

*"The most unfortunate thing in life is being born ... but then once you're in it you've got to make the best of a bad job."*

Thinking about this piece for the December Calendar my mind jumped ahead to a Christmas thought that appears on one of our Wayside Pulpits:- "Every night that a child is born is a holy night". How may we hold that hopeful thought together with the other two, rather more jaundiced and resigned, views?

The symbolic power of the story of the birth of Jesus - the image of the divine inhabiting the human form - is to give a ringing endorsement of human life ... less the idea that here was a miraculous newcomer born to improve humanity, to raise us up to a level worthy of blessing, than that this human birth confirmed the fact that all human beings are born with holy and miraculous potential, incarnate in a simple child.

The fulfilling of that holy and miraculous potential is our task; it depends upon the nurture given to us by family and friends, and increasingly as we grow older it depends upon the nurture we seek for ourselves - through the life-style we adopt and the influences we allow to shape us. If we listen carefully to the Christmas myth we hear the message that humanity is holy; we are born with the holy gift of unique and miraculous potential.

Like any gift, it is incomplete until we accept it, take it on, and put it to use ... to incarnate our holy possibilities.

But surely the gift of this message is that it motivates us to perceive that it is worth our while to 'make the best of a bad job', and we dare to believe that we can influence the balance between strengths and weakness, between 'win or lose'.

Yes we are holy, but wholly responsible to make it so. Yes every birth is a holy birth, but it is up to us to make it so ... and to help one another in making it so. So as John Andrew Storey's hymn words put it:-

"This Christmastide, let us rejoice and celebrate our human worth,  
Proclaiming with united voice. the. miracle. of every birth."

Best wishes to all of you, from all of us - Julie, Abi and Michael.

## We're Halfway There!

(Not really to be read until January, but I bet you will)

As this Newsletter covers the turning of the New Year, I wanted to write a short piece to celebrate getting halfway ... but halfway to What? (He has definitely lost those few remaining marbles now!)

New Year's Day brought us to six months since the Group's Review and Renew Day, when each congregation set itself a series of Intentions to fulfil within a year, and it feels like a good idea to recognise and celebrate the progress that has been made!

Cheltenham have entirely fulfilled two out of five aims, and made a start on a third (to explore and record the history of Bayshill). A fourth one -a fortnightly event to attract members of the public -has been put on hold, but a regular InQuirers' Group for members has begun to meet in its place. That only leaves the expressed Intention to "share Jenny's workload", and I have no doubt that good intentions will gradually become firm realities as far as that is concerned

In Evesham the monthly Facets lunches, with their generating of themes for Sunday services, have ticked off two intentions; while the meeting of the request, for a Group Workshop on 'Diversity -Not Division' is now in negotiation. The next committee meeting will consider the questions both of Publicity and of the use of the Gatehouse by teenagers ... thereby tackling the remaining two targets.

Gloucester, building on their head start as a result of taking part in the Small Congregations' Consultancy, set themselves six Intentions. Already in hand are their plans to get more involved in Midland Union events, and to set up a Gloucester website ... potential delegates to the GA Annual Meetings are being invited and approached ... and a projected congregational 'away-day' is set to discuss the matters of a) the next year's programme of events, and b) the small consideration of whether the Meeting House is the right place to be meeting for worship. As their sixth aim concerns involvement with the Three Choirs Festival, which is not in Gloucester for the next two years, they are well on track with what can be tackled at present.

All in all let us be satisfied with the progress made on these Intentions - well done indeed! -and let us be excited by the sense of purpose and progress we are beginning to generate amongst us. Happy Halfway, Everybody!

Michael

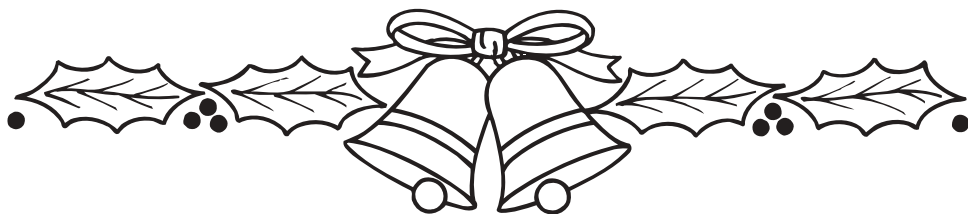
## South of the Cotswolds 5

On this Friday Nov. 23rd we at WAUM say good-bye to our minister Mark Sheils. There will be a giving and eating at Trowbridge. What will be our memories of Mark? Probably his creative services often with an Irish or Jungian flavour, his caring pastoral work, his charm and his lively sense of humour. Now we three congregations must face some months of coping alone. Fortunately there are several lay preachers in the Western Union and perhaps students at Oxford will help at Cirencester.

As the Western Union RE co-ordinator (REC) I attended Hucklow for the national get-together on Nov. 11-12th. We spent the weekend looking at the new "Chalice Award" for young people. It is very exciting and flexible. Why is there no REC for the Midland Union? Please could someone volunteer, then we could work together. The young people in the Western Union would love to meet their compatriots in the Midlands.

The Peace Garden at Trowbridge looks like a ploughed field, but the old shed has gone and the bulbs are below. I await the Spring. Meanwhile Happy Christmas to all from all south of the Cotswolds.

Helen Parsons



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### Newsletter Submissions

Please let Doreen Wright have any items for inclusion, poems, prayers, amusing anecdotes etc. by the **third** weekend of each month. This is your newsletter, and we would like everyone to have a voice.

Please type or clearly write your submissions, or preferably send them by e-mail to: [pdwright@talk21.com](mailto:pdwright@talk21.com)

## Services December 2001

December 2nd	11.00am 3.00pm	Evesham Cheltenham
December 9th	11.00am 3.00pm	Evesham Gloucester
December 16th	11.00am 3.00pm	Evesham Cheltenham
December 23rd	11.00am 3.00pm	Evesham Facets Service followed by packed lunch and discussion Gloucester
		Group Carol Service followed by tea. A "Bring & Share".
December 30th	11.00am	Evesham No service at Cheltenham or Gloucester

## Services January 2002

January 6th	11.00am 3.00pm	Evesham Cheltenham
January 13th	11.00am 3.00pm	Evesham Gloucester
January 20th	11.00am 3.00pm	Evesham Sam Pim - 'Love' Cheltenham
January 27th	11.00am 3.00pm	Evesham Facets Service followed by packed lunch and discussion Gloucester

## Christmas Music Concert

Musyck Anon will be performing in a concert of Christmas music on December 7th at 7.00pm. In Oat Street Chapel. Mince pies and mulled wine will be served in the Gatehouse room following the concert  
*Everyone welcome*

**A Christmas Message from Sylvia Slocombe**  
*Chairman Oat Street*

May the Love of God enter your hearts and homes at this Holy Season bringing you quiet strength and peace, which the world can neither give nor take away - the greatest Christmas gift of all.

**Bayshill Events and News for December**

**Sunday Services**     *December 2nd 3.00pm & December 16th 3.00pm*

On the 16th there will be a flavour of Christmas for those who cannot attend the Group Carol Service at Gloucester on December 23rd. Shared refreshments will be enjoyed after the service. Please come and join us.

**Cheltenham In-Quirer Group**

Thursday December 6th at 2.30pm, hosted by Geoff Birtles and Colin Bailey at 293 Cirencester Road, Charlton Kings, Cheltenham.

**Bayshill Christmas Party**

Tuesday December 18th 7.00pm at Bayshill Church. We invite all the congregations to join us in a "Bring and Share Supper". Contributions of music, song and dance, poetry readings and any other entertainment skills you have will be welcomed.

**G.I.F.A. Meeting**

Thursday December 13th 7.30pm at Bayshill.  
"Festivities for Gloucestershire's Faith Communities".

**The Group Harvest Festival**

The Group Harvest Festival held at Bayshill this year was sadly overshadowed by the events of September 11th but it still remained a very special day. After the service the bring and share refreshments were greatly enjoyed and many thanks to Michael for taking the excellent collection of dry goods to the Cheltenham Community Project where they were much appreciated.

In October we hosted a workshop on Meditation and Chant for Worship. We had a fascinating day with Sandra and Peter Stewart from Bath and I am sure we all benefited from the experience. I would suggest that everyone should take part in an event like this; even the most sceptical can be pleasantly surprised!

Our new venture, a Social Evening on the 3rd Tuesday has been a resounding

**Amnesty International (UK) in Ledbury**

I was very pleased to read Helen Parson's article about Amnesty and to know that Gloucester Unitarians would like to help Amnesty.

I have been a member of Amnesty for many years. When Beryl and I moved to Ledbury some three years ago I found there was no Amnesty group. So I started one. Starting with fifty people on the mailing list -most attended meetings elsewhere or simply 'belonged' to Amnesty HQ, the Ledbury Group now numbers more than seventy members. That's just after four meetings. We have a good meeting place at the new Ledbury Leisure Centre and have taken part in the town Carnival, organised signing of petitions with around three hundred people signing to a) stamp out torture and b) to deal with the Afghanistan crisis with reason and care.

Our new group is now invited to participate in all kinds of activities in the town.

Members of our new group have taken pity on yours truly who was doing most of the organising and work and now we have Rose who is membership secretary and does photocopying and, with Annie and Georgina organise monthly distribution of newsletters etc. Sara is Hon. Treasurer and Trading Officer, Pam is liaison officer with churches and other groups. Marie is our Death Penalty activist and 90 years-old Barbara is Chief Cakemaker - her cakes sell like the proverbials! Two well-known Unitarians from Evesham - John and Eileen Green come over for each meeting and have given great support. At the town carnival John enjoyed himself taking part in handing out Amnesty balloons to HUNDREDS of children.

Pam's husband is a professional musician and both have promised help with forming a concert I suggested we put on for Amnesty -more about that again!

What can Gloucester Unitarians do to help Amnesty? Well, I am sending leaflets explaining how they can send greetings to prisoners of conscience, victims of torture etc. The information will go to Chairman Gordon. With that will also go cards they can sign and stamp and post. To Reverend Michael I have sent a copy of the Service for Human Rights Day on 10th December. Maybe he will use the service as are churches in Ledbury.

If Cheltenham or Evesham congregations wish to know more about Amnesty or want to help please do not hesitate to contact Old Pinky direct or via John and Eileen.

J H Absalom

## Do we 'Save this Planet'?

If you are a liberal Christian, or a Humanist, or 'what have you', the essence -as I see it -is how practical you are in support of your views. Now in my old age I have neither the energy nor the drive which moved my actions once, but if you don't want to moulder away you look at what resources you have left and what use you can make of them. This means it boils down for me to making some monetary subscriptions (modestly!) to a kaleidoscopic mix of organisations that are an inspiration to me today.

One of these, which may surprise you, is Greenpeace; for it is certainly expending its energies and income on what one might describe as 'against the grain of the greedy society we live in.'

Thirty years ago a small handful of protesters tried to stop a nuclear test off Alaska, by sailing a boat into the test zone. Their action inspired the creation of an organisation that now has 2.6 million supporters in 158 countries. Greenpeace in India put it this way: -'We are people who want to be a voice, not a victim.'

Following the events of September 11th, the need for 'being a voice' is clearer than ever. With our world seemingly locked into patterns of violence and injustice, it's easy to lose hope for a peaceful arid sustainable future. Greenpeace has consistently shown us that patterns can be broken -that there is a 'voice' for people wanting a safer, more peaceful, and more equitable planet.

I hope, if you are willing, to continue the saga of some of the non-violent Greenpeace protests which have shaken many countries into remarkable changes over the years ... not without its toll of the young -including some deaths!

But as Gandhi put it, so Greenpeace has proved its practical application: 'First they ignore you, then they laugh at you, then they fight you, then you win!'

... to be continued - Walter Hawkins

success. Themes so far, "What Jenny Does", Alison's experiences in Lithuania, a fun evening of quizzes and poetry planned by Geoff and Colin and a "Scrabble for Molly". This month some information about ourselves with examples of our favourite music will help us to get to know each other better. Laughter has been high on the agenda, so that we all leave with plenty of the "feel good factor".

We have decided that we are not yet ready to start the "Room to Breathe" initiative when we hope to encourage non-Unitarians to share with us in a time of quiet spiritual exploration and enhancement. Instead we are following Evesham's example and have started the Cheltenham In-Quirer Group; this session led by Michael. We are sharing and discussing the "Five Lessons of Life".

The geographical separation of our Churches can result in us not attending each others events. We would like to emphasise that Gloucester and Evesham members and friends are always welcome at all our meetings.

During August to October I have attended 7 meetings at Evesham for the "A.B.C's of Lay-Preaching" course funded by the Midland Union. I am very grateful for this opportunity to attend such an excellent course. We have all gained greatly from the information so well presented and the experience of sharing with the speakers and other participants was invaluable.

Tony Brewer, Molly and Leslie Lozerone and I enjoyed a wonderful day out at Cradley for the Midland Union Annual Lunch and I continue to represent us to the best of my ability at the M.U. Executive meetings held bimonthly throughout the year at Birmingham New Meeting.

Greetings to you all from Bayshill for Christmas and the New Year.

Jenny Buckland

### Bayshill Cheltenham

January 2002 Dates for your diary.

<b>Sunday Services</b>	January 6th	3.00pm
	January 20th	3.00pm

### Bayshill In-Quirer Group

Thursday January 3rd 2.30pm. 293 Cirencester Road Cheltenham.

Tuesday January 15th 7.00pm Bayshill Church Hall.

Informal social evening, theme to be suggested by a member.

## Looking ahead

### Bayshill In-Quirer Group

Thursday February 7th 2.30pm 293 Cirencester Road Cheltenham.

### Bayshill Church Annual General Meeting

Sunday February 17th 4.00pm following the service. Nominations for officers and committee to be sent to Jenny Buckland by January 31st

### Cotswold Group Annual General Meeting.

Sunday March 3rd 4.00pm following the service at Bayshill Church. Nominations for officers to be sent to Gordon Lowthian by January 31st. Please do not wait to be asked but volunteer if you are able to help on this committee. Officers are shown on the back of the newsletter.

### Oat Street Chapel, Evesham Events for 2002

January 14th	Animal Welfare - Jill Moyse
February 11th	Evesham and Pershore Equality Network International Musical Evening
March 11th	Talk on Old Evesham and Snowhill
April 8th	Memory Lane
May 13th	Quiz Night
June 10th	Speaker (to be arranged)
July 8th	Pub Grub and Games
August 12th	Holiday Fun (Beach Party)
September 9th	Talk by Tony Caldwell - Nepal
October 14th	Harvest Supper
November 11th	Fish and Chip Supper
December 9th	Christmas Social Evening

The next social evening for this year is on December 10th when we shall be having a Christmas Musical Evening followed by refreshments.  
This event organised by Sylvia Slocombe Admission £3

### Beetle Drive

Another enjoyable get-together was held at Oat Street on 12th November. For all of us it was a long time since we had played in a Beetle Drive and the rules seemed to have changed over the years, which caused some confusion to start with but we soon got the hang of it. Our thanks to Pauline Taylor for organising the delicious cheese and biscuits which followed. We are looking forward to the events arranged for 2002, a list of which is included in this newsletter. Remember, everyone is welcome.

Best Wishes to everyone for Christmas and the New Year from all at Oat Street Chapel.

## I am Not Infallible

Lord, there are moments  
when I'm honest enough to admit  
I'm not infallible.  
Not often, Lord.  
Just now and then,  
I'm able to acknowledge  
a few small areas of life  
where I'm not completely in control.  
I admit at times  
that life bewilders me  
with grey half-tones,  
when I'd like to see it all  
in black and white.  
Retreat for comfort  
into simple certainties.  
The trouble is, Lord,  
that my certainties conflict  
with other people's certainties.  
And that confuses me.  
Makes judgement harder.

Yet through the uncertainties,  
I sense your hand,  
pushing me into deeper water.  
Not so that I risk drowning,  
although it sometimes feels that way,  
but so that I may swim more strongly.  
Learn to think and feel  
with greater sensitivity.

So, Lord, where certainties collide,  
give me the openness to look afresh,  
not only at what others think,  
but at my own beliefs.  
And when the tension shows,  
and understanding goes away on holiday,  
help me to love.  
And wait for you,  
Spirit of truth,  
to lead me deeper into truth.  
Whatever it may be.

Submitted by Carol Wilkerson

## The Nightmare

*In the remote countryside, a dismal black building.  
Inside, dirty brown objects lying still. What's that - a movement?  
The poor creatures had ruptured stomachs, cuts and lacerations  
from the perforated metal in which they had to live.  
They lay huddled together, almost dead, a pregnant thing about to  
give birth into its own excreta.  
Dead piglets beneath a sea of writhing maggots.  
The smell of fear, urine, and excreta nearly overwhelmed me.  
Animal with ruptured spleens the size of footballs dragged  
themselves around -unable to walk.  
Where was the farmer? Where was the straw?  
Where were the people - the people to care?  
It wasn't a nightmare, it was reality - I was there.*

Friends, I want to tell you of my concerns about the treatment of living creatures under the regime of modern, intensive, farming - in a country that claims to maintain 'some of the highest welfare standards in the world.'

Will you come along to the Gatehouse on Monday January 14th, for 7.30pm, so that I can show and tell you what I believe is happening on some of our farms?

This is a concern that I feel very deeply, and I desperately want to share it with you - my spiritual community. I hope you will come and listen to me.

Jill Moyse

*I am the voice of the voiceless; through me the dumb shall speak,  
Till the deaf world's ear be made to hear  
the wrongs of the wordless weak.*

*From street, from cage, from kennel, from zoo, the wail  
Of my tortured kin proclaims the sin  
of the mighty against the frail.  
Oh shame on the mothers of mortals who have not stooped to teach  
Of the sorrow that lies in dear, dumb, eyes -  
the sorrow that has no speech.  
And I am my brother's keeper, and I shall fight his fight,  
And speak the word for beast and bird  
till the world shall set things aright.*

## Gloucester Goings On

In Gloucester we are quite excited to say that we have a problem; it keeps on happening that we are short of hymn books for the number of folks at the service - long may this problem continue!

Our delightful 'difficulty' is becoming more regular with the increased attendance of a small contingent from the Ross area - Isobel Pebody and Carey and Paul Hackett. It gives us all quite a boost that they consider it worthwhile to travel in for worship from that distance.

Carey and Paul are new, but very committed attenders - and are keen to become Members in a definite and formal sense. We are looking into the creation of a Membership Ceremony, which we hope will be used not only as a welcome to them ... and a very warm one! ... but also as a renewal of commitment and enthusiasm on the part of all our members. This will very likely become an annual event, perhaps becoming an occasion of real celebration and fun.

The Gloucester congregation has begun putting on a monthly evening meeting, a public forum in which an invited group has the opportunity to present themselves - their beliefs, concerns, and activities. So far we have heard from Amnesty International, the Brahma Kumaris, and most recently the Christadelphians ... and in January we hope to welcome Archdruid Veronica Hammond to give us an in-sight into Druidry. These meetings are failing on the last Thursday in each month - 8pm at the Friends' Meeting House - and you are all welcome to join us, of course!

Thinking of the Group of which we are all part, we are looking forward to welcoming you to the Group Carol Service (at 3pm on Sunday December 23rd) in that same Meeting House, on Greyfriars. We hope that each congregation will find a way to respond to the challenge being issued - to come up with a contribution of some sort to the worship and celebration of that day .... whether it be a poem, a reading, a carol, or a fully-fledged costume drama!

No Group event would be complete without the chance to eat, drink and talk together, so there will be a "bring & Share" tea afterwards...

There is nothing further to add to this Gloucester bulletin, save to wish all of you a very happy Christmas and New Year!

## **InQuirers Prayer**

Written by a Cotswold Unitarian

In the depth of Winter,  
When the trees are bare and days are short,  
Sunshine gleams on the buildings  
and the grass is green;  
And I pray that we may relive the story of  
the birth of Jesus,  
Be imbued with the true spirit of Christmas,  
And carry it into our lives in the New Year.

## **Quiet Thoughts At Christmas**

I have a list of folks I know, all written in a book,  
And every year at Christmas time, I go and take a look,  
And that is when I realise, that these names are a part,  
Not of the book there written in, but of my very heart.

For each name stands for someone, whose path touched mine and then,  
Left such a print of friendship, that I want to touch again,  
And while it sounds fantastic, for me to make this claim,  
I really feel I am composed of each remembered name.

And while you may not be aware of any special link,  
Just meeting you shaped my life, more than you can think.  
For once you've met somebody the years cannot erase,  
The memory of a pleasant word or a friendly face.

So never think my Christmas cards are just a mere routine  
Of names upon a Christmas list, forgotten in between,  
For when I send a Christmas card that is addressed to you,  
It's because you're on that list of folks I'm indebted to.

For one is but a total, of the many folks we've met,  
And you happen to be one of those I prefer NOT to forget  
And whether I have known you for many years or few,  
In some way you have had a part, in shaping things I do.

And every year when Christmas comes I realise anew,  
The biggest gift life can give, is meeting friends like you.  
So may the Spirit of Christmas that forever and ever endures,  
Leave its richest blessings on the heart of you and yours.

Anon.

## **Sometimes**

Sometimes things don't go, after all,  
from bad to worse. Some years, Muscadel  
faces down frost; green thrives; the crops don't fail.  
Sometimes a man aims high and all goes well.

A people sometimes will step back from war,  
elect an honest man, decide they care enough,  
that they can't leave some stranger poor.  
Some men become what they were born for.

Sometimes our best efforts do not go amiss,  
sometimes we do as we meant to.  
The sun will sometimes melt a field of sorrow  
that seemed frozen: may it happen for you.

Sheena Pugh

## **The Signposts**

If you would have an awareness of your spiritual journey,  
look back to the signposts of your past;  
then you will not miss the signposts to the future.

Converse with God, and so be aware of the footprints  
that are always with you on life's journey.

In this way you will know your friend and companion -  
who is with you through all eternity.

Peter Cartwright