

# WARE IN THE WORLD



## MISSION UPDATE - AUTUMN 2023

### WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEWSLETTER ABOUT OUR MISSION PARTNERS!

Christ Church has always had the privilege of blessing others as we have been blessed. Enjoying reading some of the latest news from our partners in different contexts and places.

May it fuel your imagination and prayers as Jesus is shared.

God bless,  
John

### Faced down on the tarmac

Leaving for my flight to Israel on 7th October, I had a call from a friend in Israel. "Did you know there is a war on?" he asked. I did not, thinking it was just a minor incident. My flight was on schedule with clearance to fly, but when we landed the pilot told us of some security concerns. The bus that was to take us to the terminal came to an abrupt halt. The driver gave rapid instructions to get out and lie face down on the tarmac. We heard the loud bangs of rockets, and a girl next to me was in tears. After a few minutes, we got back on the bus, rushed through an empty airport and the quickest immigration process I ever experienced.

A camera crew from CNN were on our flight. We were featured with the captions "Citizens of Israel, we are at war" and "IDF sirens continue to warn in incoming rockets across Israel".

There were alarms and trips to the bomb shelter in the next few days, and planes flying overhead every night.

After several flight cancellations, I managed to fly back via Abu Dhabi, to the great relief of my family. Back in the UK, I took some time to process the experience. I grieve and mourn for my people, and for all the peoples of the region.



### The Harveys ask for prayer about the Israel vs. Gaza war:

- **For safety**

Many friends, family and co-workers on both sides are caught up in the conflict.

- **Access to aid**

The need for humanitarian aid is pressing for many thousands of suffering people.

- **For peace**

"May the one who makes peace in the high heavens, make peace upon us, for all of Israel, and for all who inhabit the earth." (Reform version, Mourner's Prayer)



Christ Church Ware

Jesus led, Spirit empowered, Grace based.

## WELCOME TO THE AUTUMN MISSION NEWS – WE HEAR FROM...

- **Richard Harvey** finds himself face down on the tarmac in Tel Aviv.
- **FUTUREhope** celebrates 20 years of service to the community of Ware and Hertford.
- **Emma leaves teaching in Kenya** and continues in cross cultural work in Camden in a school in London.
- **The Legacy Fund\*** We get an update about the second donation from Christ Church to external projects.

\*The legacy fund is the tithe (10%) from the money donated to the Christ Church development fund.

FOR MORE INFORMATION – Go to [www.christchurchware.co.uk/missions](http://www.christchurchware.co.uk/missions)

## FUTUREhope ANNIVERSARY - 20 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY



On Saturday, the 30th of September, we had a fantastic puddings party to celebrate 20 years of incredible work. As well as filling our bellies to the brim with rocky-road, banoffee pie, brownies and of course birthday cake, we had a chance to look back at where the charity started and how it grew into what we know today.

A few stories from Tim Simmonds and a message from Mark Wood gave us a glimpse into their time on the front line of working with the young people and a chance to recognise the people who have contributed to the charity down the years.

It was special to be in a room with people who support FUTUREhope in so many ways, with Vicky Smith (Mayor of Hertford) taking the time to drop by as well. And now..... **On to the next 20!!**

### Outreach – Education – Support

Provision of one-to-one work (long term relationships) through mentoring and counselling; and by providing support to parents.

*If you would like to learn more about our work, then please explore our website, <https://fhhw.org.uk/> or get in touch with us at our office.*



## AN ENDING AND A NEW BEGINNING



### Emma Holland writes

In July, I moved back to the UK after spending the last year in Kenya. The Lord really made it clear to me that it was right to be closer to home and family.

I have always wanted to work in an inner-city school, and so started pushing doors to live and work in London. Very quickly, I found a new job at a dream school and accommodation (with good friend from university), confirming in my spirit that it was right to be making this move.

So since September 2023, I have been working at a wonderful school in Camden, that serves the children living on a local council estate. Our school is extremely diverse regarding nationalities of the children, many who don't speak in English at home and predominantly following Islam. Lots of our children have only lived in the UK for a few years after fleeing their home countries because of war. It is a privilege to teach these children and to watch them flourish at school and in the community they live in.

Outside of work, I have joined a church called Holy Trinity Clapham (fun fact... it is the church William Wilberforce worshipped at!), and am getting plugged in with serving on teams and joining a small group.

Please pray for:

- **strong friendships at church and work.**
- **boldness in my faith as I work in a team of teachers who are either Muslim or have no belief.**
- **the Lord to pinpoint areas of my life that He wants me to really invest in e.g. work colleagues, netball team, outreach at church etc.**





**INTERNATIONAL  
NEPAL  
FELLOWSHIP**

Christ Church Ware (CCW) donated £11,500 to INF as part of the legacy project for the supply of 73 special wheelchairs for poor Nepalis with spinal injury.

## GREEN PASTURES HOSPITAL (GPH)

The mission of GPH and International Nepal Fellowship (INF) is to transform lives by offering holistic rehabilitation services, fostering independence, and promoting overall wellbeing. Their vision is to be a centre of excellence in rehabilitation, recognised for patient-centric care, advanced medical practices, and community outreach.

INF have served the poor and marginalised people of Nepal for 71 years.

## IMPROVED QUALITY OF LIFE IN NEPAL

Min Bahadur Gurung (aged 37) is from Gorkha District, Nepal. He fell five years ago in the forest while collecting fodder. What a devastating accident anywhere but particularly for a poor hill farmer and often a death sentence and an economic tragedy for the family. Since his accident, Min's brother has looked after his two children because his wife Bimala needs to give constant care at home.

Min had a basic old wheelchair but the specialist rehab team at GPH found it was unsuitable because it was causing recurrent pressure ulcer and sores.

Bimala and the GPH rehab team are hopeful that the new wheelchair will improve Min's quality of life mobility and they can prevent further pressure sores and infection.

For more information about the work of INF please visit <https://www.inf.org/our-work/green-pastures-hospital/>

INF are currently responding to the 6.4 Richter earthquake in Nepal on 3rd November [www.inf.org/news/devastating-earthquake-struck-jajarkot-district/](http://www.inf.org/news/devastating-earthquake-struck-jajarkot-district/)



## A WORD FROM THE MISSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MAC)

We are excited to present to you the first edition of **WARE IN THE WORLD**. We hope we can produce three or four publications per year to help keep you informed.

Other ways to get informed and involved with supporting our Mission Partners are:

- **Find out more.** Go to [www.christchurchware.co.uk/missions](http://www.christchurchware.co.uk/missions) and click around the various photos and links.
- **Get informed with updates.** Sign up for their individual prayer news.
- **Pray** for mission and our mission partners.
- **Invite** them to your group for discussion when they are in the UK.
- **Give** to missions that you are passionate about.
- **Explore.** All Nations is on our doorstep. Maybe God is leading you to start your own journey into cross cultural mission in the UK or beyond.
- **Find out more** on the Internet at "Christ Church Ware missions" or speak to one of the members of the Missions Advisory Committee (MAC) listed below or email: [mission@christchurchware.co.uk](mailto:mission@christchurchware.co.uk).

The members of the Missions Advisory Committee are Gary P, Mary S, Caroline T, Judith S, Geoff M, Andrew du B, David B and Tommy D.



## CHRIST CHURCH MISSION PARTNERS INCLUDE:

### PEOPLE

- **Richard and Monica Harvey**  
[www.jewsforjesus.org.uk](http://www.jewsforjesus.org.uk)
- **Mel and James Lynch**  
(Birmingham – Women of Worth Ministry)  
[st-johns-house.org](http://st-johns-house.org)
- **Flavio and Cinzia De Lima**  
(Operation Mobilisation)  
[www.om.org/ships](http://www.om.org/ships)
- **Prem and Indira Subedi** (in Nepal)  
[www.availmission.com/avail-worker/prem-and-indira-subedi/](http://www.availmission.com/avail-worker/prem-and-indira-subedi/)
- **Charlotte Boulton**  
[www.thedustproject.com](http://www.thedustproject.com)
- **Michael Resta** in Burundi

### ORGANISATIONS

**Street Pastors** in Hertford and Ware  
[www.streetpastors.org](http://www.streetpastors.org)

**FUTUREhope**  
[www.fhhw.org.uk](http://www.fhhw.org.uk)

**CPAS** (The Patrons of Christ Church)  
[www.cpas.org.uk](http://www.cpas.org.uk)

**Tearfund** – Rwanda – Church & communities transformation  
[www.tearfund.org](http://www.tearfund.org)

**All Nations** – training for mission  
[www.allnations.ac.uk](http://www.allnations.ac.uk)