

Memories of Year 8



Eight years of
The Mission Church

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At the beginning of August in 2011 a small group of Christians started The Mission Church in Cwmrhydyceirw, Morriston. That church has now been going for eight years. The Lord continues to work amongst us and this year has seen us growing both spiritually and numerically. This leaflet is just a very brief record of what we have been up to between August 2018 to July 2019. Enjoy!!



A journey that had started way back in 2014 continued in March 2019 as Acts 29 welcome The Mission Church into Membership of the Network. Mark and Mary has been going through the assessment process since the middle of 2017 and attended an assessment break in June 2018 in Germany. The Equip conference in March 2019 saw the church welcomed into membership officially. We praise the Lord that this has happened and also that he allowed a team of five from the church to be at the conference at that time.



Nepal 2018

Once again the Lord blessed a group of fourteen people as we embarked on a trip to Kathmandu to visit Amos, Doma, Sahron and the children at Dolpa Hope Home. While out there Sylvia felt the Lord's call to be baptised so on the roof of the home we put out a pool and all the children gathered



to see Sylvia get "dunked". A few changes this year, saw us stay a lot closer to the home and spend a lot more time with the children. One of the most encouraging things to happen in our 8th year

was seeing Amos and Doma come to the UK to visit us!! For Doma her trip to Swansea was only the second and third times she had seen the sea!!

Conferences



A Mission Church leaflet would not be complete without a look at the conferences we attended throughout Year 8!! The ladies as usual travelled up to Solihull for the Midlands Women's Convention.

The Men hosted the Together for Christ Conference in conjunction with Oasis church and welcomed Phil Swann from Llanelli Evangelical Church to come and speak. Our ladies also joined with the ladies of Oasis for the Arise conference.

Other Churches



We have continued this year to have fellowship and work with other churches. Dai Hankey has preached several times at the Mission as well as leading the Crosslands course that has been attended by a group

from our church, linking up with several churches from the Cardiff area. We held a Barn Dance in aid of Bloom that we were able to invite other churches to. Mark continues to work with another Linden Church project in the Sycamore Tree Course going into Swansea Prison for a 7 week course teaching inmates about restorative justice, using the story of Zaccheus. In July a group of 30+ from The Mission visited The Mission Cwmtwrch's family fun day and BBQ, lots of fun was had, burgers eaten and people were soaked!!



Preaching

Throughout the year Mark has been able to preach through the book of Matthew. It has been great to hear from God's word in this way. As well as at the Mission in Morriston, Mark has visited and supported the Mission Church in Cwmtwrch, Lifewell Church Morriston and Tabernacle Church in Penclawdd during our 8th year.

Baptisms

Our eighth year saw us conduct two baptisms, one in the hall on Resurrection Sunday, and one on a rooftop in Nepal!! It was great to see Donna profess her faith in Christ in April and to celebrate with her in that. You can find out more about what happened with Sylvia when we focus on our second annual trip to Nepal!



Church Ministries

Our photos probably tell the best story of the life of the church in our Involved Together, Beginnings, Family Service, and JUICE Ministries. All are continuing to run well and we pray that the Lord will keep sustaining them!!



Membership

In our 8th year it has been a joy to welcome eight people into membership at the Mission Church. This year we have seen Jamie Landeg, Dave Jones, Phill Griffiths, Sylvia Jordan, Shola and Judith Alaba all become members. We also welcomed David Stanton into the leadership as Deacon of operations!!



Births and Marriages

The notices section of the local paper would certainly have been kept busy this year!! In December we saw the arrival of Daisy Fernando and later that month we welcomed Joshua and Joel Johnson into the world. Both families have made great use of Beginnings and it has been a delight to see all three of them growing up!!



Community Events

During Year 8 we held two events that we invited our local community too, as well as our usual family services. On the Sunday before Christmas we had our Carol Service. On Good Friday we welcomed 170 people into the hall to find out why Good Friday was good for us but bad for Jesus. We pray that next year we will see some of those come to our Resurrection Sunday service as well!!



In more exciting news, Phill proposed to Sheress in 2019 and we had a wedding on our hands. You will have to wait until our Year 9 leaflet to hear about that as it is being held on August 3rd, but we have had two celebrations of the impending nuptials. Both in July, and both in Clydach!! The men celebrated with Phill with a cur-



ry at Chilli Too, whilst the ladies took Sheress to Melys just down the road. Great fun was had by all and we are really looking forward to the 3rd August!!

