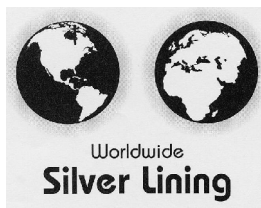


World Wide Silver Lining: Bishop Jeremiah has continued to express his grateful thanks for our partnership and giving, most welcome at a time when it is increasingly difficult to obtain regular funding. In particular, he has been able to provide foodstuffs and basic school materials as part of their commitment to providing education and accommodation for orphans and the young enveloped in the tragedy of the HIV virus and poverty. A Quiz Night to support the work will be held at the Royal Russell School on Friday 11th June, Tickets and further information can be obtained from Andrew Hill (tel.: 01732 469538).



MISSION UPDATE June 2010

The following material is derived from reports by Mission Committee links, from letters and from websites.

“What you are doing is much more than a service that supplies God’s people with what they need. It is something that will make many others thank God.”

(2 Corinthians 9.12, CEV: quoted by the Bible Society)

Please pray for.....

06.06.10	FEBA& the Stout family	12.09.10	FEBA & the Stout family
13.06.10	Worldwide Silver Lining	19.09.10	CMS & Smith family
20.06.10	Burrswood	26.09.10	Children’s Society
27.06.10	CMS: Colin & Anita Smith and family	03.10.10	<i>Harvest</i>
04.07.10	FEBA & the Stout family	10.10.10	SU Beach Mission
11.07.10	The Bible Society	17.10.10	Mission Aviation Fellowship
18.07.10	SU Sheringham Beach Mission	24.10.10	The Bible Society
25.07.10	Mission Aviation Fellowship	31.10.10	Scripture Union
01.08.10	Children’s Society	07.11.10	Sevenoaks Area Youth Trust
08.08.10	SU	14.11.10	<i>Remembrance</i>
15.08.10	Worldwide Silver Lining	21.11.10	SO District Council of Churches
22.08.10	Sevenoaks Area Youth Trust	28.11.09	Sevenoaks Christian Counselling Serv
29.08.10	Churches Together in Sevenoaks and District	05.12.10	World wide Silver Lining
05.09.10	Sevenoaks Christian Counselling Service	12.12.10	Jon Hargreaves/FEBA
		19.12.10	The Stout family/FEBA
		26.12.10	The Smith family/CMS

Mission at Home

Children’s Society: their website included an item about Peter Ho, a bookseller, who donated 100 brand new books from surplus stock to the Society’s campaign to encourage young people to read. Also, the Society had expressed its delight that the new government has pledged its commitment to ending child detention in immigration centres.



SAYT: David Casiot has passed on the following prayer news received from Martin Levett, who works part-time for SAYT. ‘Please pray for the planned weekend at Winchelsea from 4th-6th June, that kids will sign up, for safety during the weekend and that Dave and his team will be able to communicate the love and truth of Jesus through their lives and the sessions. Pray also for Sue Norton, who has just joined the Board of Trustees, and for the Trustees as they take decisions about SAYT, as well as for more volunteers to help with the evening detached work. Pray also for Charlotte and her fiancé, Matt, to find a house in the area before their August marriage and for Dave and Charlotte to find time to plan, pray



and organize the autumn ministry. Give thanks for the work in schools, particularly the Thursday lunchtimes at Bradbourne with up to 20 girls attending regularly at this term's series on 'values'.

Sevenoaks Christian Counselling Service: The website advertised their annual service and open evening on Thursday 20th May 2010. Also, it reported that £6,000 had been raised since an urgent appeal last November for additional funds in order to recruit more part-time counsellors to cope with a substantial increase in the number of clients. The aim is to raise £14,000 and groups that have not yet responded to this appeal are asked to consider whether that can give more.



Scripture Union: Their letter of thanks for our support referred to the 2009 Sheringham Beach Mission with its 'theme of Aaron, the High Priest, leading us to Jesus, our Great High Priest. We presented a mannequin dressed as Aaron in the robes specified in Exodus and enjoyed some good beach services presenting the robes, their meaning and what we can learn about Jesus from them.' In addition, they distributed many Bible Companions and Bibles, and about 100 children young people and adults have subscribed to the Bible Reading Cards and Notes that are distributed throughout the year. Prayers are asked for the planning for the 2010 Mission that there might be opportunities to share the gospel with children and young people who attend.



Mission Overseas

Bible Society: Andrew Hill reported that news from China indicates that Christianity has gained increased legitimacy there – two leaders have visited the Archbishop of Canterbury recently- and that there



has been significant growth in numbers of believers. The Society has produced a DVD and pack for use in China. Other news refers to the translation of St. Luke's Gospel into the local patois for use in Jamaica.

Church Mission Society: David Casiot reported that the latest link letter from the Smith family talked of continuing difficult times in the country, in the Kibera slum, as well as at Carlisle College, where Colin lectures and where there have been staff redundancies. Prayers are asked for Colin and Anita in their work, for the end of the drought and for Sheila's life at her new school in England. Also, May 22nd saw CMS and SAMS hosting 'Day 50', an event at the King's Centre in Oxford, to celebrate the integration of the two societies and their re-dedication to 'being an active part of God's mission wherever we are.'



FEBA: From the website, John Hargreaves expressed thankfulness for the success of the community radio workshop held in Delhi in April this year, when participants gained a clear understanding of what community radio is about and went on to set themselves clear objectives. A community radio initiative in Nepal illustrates FEBA's work: a new radio station has been set up in Dadeldhura, a remote, mountainous region, with the aim to tackle the needs and problems of the population. The number of letters from listeners testifies to the positive impact being made on people's lives and beliefs.



Mission Aviation Fellowship: Mags Southgate reported that, through generous giving from supporters, MAF continues to contribute to the massive relief and rebuilding efforts in Haiti, particularly through its assistance to the many other Christian organizations that are showing God's love to the Haitian people. Prayers are asked for safety for all MAF pilots and passengers involved in work in Haiti and for wisdom in creating and sustaining programmes that will build believers through specialized ministries, such as MAF communications and MAF learning technologies. The relief efforts will have to go on for years so prayers are asked for staff, their families and the ongoing work.

