

# PATHWAY NEWS

The Lodge Trust Newsletter

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A number of theologians have hypothesized that the earth (or the northern hemisphere at least) was created in the autumn so that Adam and Eve would enjoy an abundant harvest. It is the perfect time to meditate on God's provision and the purpose of creation, of which our world and humanity was at the very centre. When we survey the night sky and see God's glory manifested in the vastness of the cosmos, we should be duly affected that despite our apparent insignificance, God was pleased to give us such a privileged place in it. We can count it an even greater blessing that He created us in His image, and we refer to Psalm 139:14 in our literature: "I will praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made..." In a world that sets our value according to our social status, ability, wealth, or achievements, we must remember that our worth is not based on these things or what other people think about us, but is derived from the God Who made us. For those united to Him in faith, our worth is in Christ Himself—our Creator Who took on human flesh and came humbly to live, die, and rise again on this earth to save His people from their sins.



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This year's **Christmas card designs and order form** can be found inside this newsletter.

## Hatton Holiday

Hatton is a very small village near Wragby, about 10 miles east of Lincoln. We stayed in a large cottage—with four bedrooms, a huge lounge and a lift!

We set off after coffee break on Monday 10th September. The journey was smooth to our lunchtime stop: The Lincolnshire Poacher, just outside Lincoln. We had booked a table, so we were expected. The service was good, and we enjoyed our meal.



After lunch we drove to Rand Farm Park, where we saw lots of animals. The goats were particularly active, jumping up on the fences and making a fuss of us. (Well, we did have food to give them!) We saw a cow being milked and Carolyn had a ride on an electric tractor. (She sat on an old tractor, too—see photo.)

We then travelled the short distance to Hall Cottage, our holiday home. We soon settled in and were pleased to see the ASDA delivery van, which brought our food for the week. We enjoyed tea together, read the Bible and prayed, then prepared for bed. We all slept well.

Tuesday morning was a bit dull, so we had a relaxed start to the day. We ate breakfast, then had prayers. We set out for Mablethorpe after coffee break. It rained on the way, but by the time we arrived the rain had stopped.



In Mablethorpe we had lunch in Monty's Fish Bar. The staff were very kind, and we enjoyed our meal. Afterwards we drove to the Mablethorpe Seal Sanctuary. We had dessert and a drink before our tour of all the animals. It was fun to see the meerkats being fed. We

were also able to watch the seals being fed and we learnt a little about why each seal lives at the sanctuary.

On the way back to our cottage we stopped for a walk along the promenade and we drove through Skegness.



On Wednesday morning we visited the Lincolnshire Aviation Heritage Centre. We started with coffee break (of course!), then had a tour of the airfield. We were able to see 'Just Jane'—one of the few Lancaster bombers that still exist. We had a nice

lunch in the NAFFI and then we drove to Woodhall Spa. In this town we visited the Cottage Museum—which is in a tin house. It was very small!



Thursday morning the sun was shining as we drove to Cleethorpes. We stopped off at the station café for coffee break, then we drove into the town centre and once again enjoyed a tasty meal—this time in Steel's Corner House Restaurant, which first opened in 1946. After lunch five of us went on the Cleethorpes Coastal Light Railway. Beryl and

Becky went around the charity shops and Beryl bought a nice coat.

On Friday morning we prepared to leave.

Everyone worked hard, and we said goodbye to the cottage owner. We then drove the short distance to Goltho Gardens. Once again, we had coffee break. We also chose our lunchtime meals. Then we had a tour of the gardens. Some of the flowers were very beautiful, especially the cyclamen. Many of the ingredients in our lunch had been grown in the gardens. The tomatoes were particularly sweet.



After lunch we climbed back into the Shuttle and headed towards Lincoln. We literally went around the cathedral—on the small, cobbled road! It had begun to rain by this time and we headed for home. We had a good journey back to The Lodge and arrived just in time for afternoon tea break!

We had a great holiday. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. The weather was good, and our cottage was comfortable. We visited several interesting places and had some very tasty meals.



## New Wine

It was really exciting to represent The Lodge Trust at New Wine this year. Jo and I travelled down to Shepton Mallet with Jonathan and Richard where we eagerly set up camp. It was then straight to work to set out our stand in the market place which was to become my home for the next two weeks! My job was to man the stand for the time at New Wine, and Jo supported Richard and Jonathan to worship meetings and seminars. I know it was a real time of blessing, worshipping with so many other people, hearing God's word, and for myself it was wonderful to meet with so many people to explain who we are and what we are trying to achieve through the strength of Jesus. That strength was very much needed as we all contributed to and presented our very first New Wine seminar. Phew... People were so kind and receptive that we can't wait to go back again next year (closer at Peterborough). Out of so many highlights, one that sticks out for me is when a lady offered to pray with me. She had a picture of a watering can, watering seeds and then beautiful flowers growing, which really spoke to me about all that we strive to achieve at The Lodge Trust. Can't wait for next year. *Sarah*

I like New Wine because I make new friends. It has given me some confidence. I enjoy it very much, talking to people about The Lodge Trust. I feel it went well. (Richard)

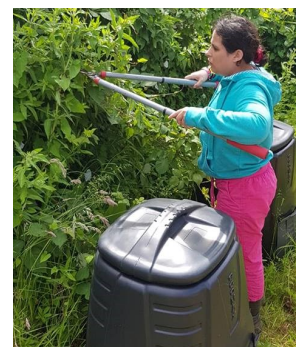


## Summer Events



Once again for Learning Disability Awareness Week, our residents got involved in community action projects, working at the Melton Community Allotment, More Coffee, and at a storehouse to sort clothes

and pack food parcels. The week ended with the second annual Learning Disability Awareness Day in Melton Country Park.



The **LODGE** Trust  
**Christmas Cards 2018**

£3.50 per pack

Travellers from the East



The Holly Bears a Berry



Light of the World



Starry Night



## Other designs still available

### Glory Shone Around



£3.50

### Prayerful Mother



£3.50

### Robin Redbreast



£3.50

### Ho, Ho, Ho



£2.50

### While Shepherds Watched



£2.50

### Manger in the Making



£2.50

### Snowman



£2.50

### Bauble



£2.50

If you wish to pre-order your Christmas cards, contact [admin@lodgetrust.org.uk](mailto:admin@lodgetrust.org.uk) for postage please add £1.95 for 1-4 packs. £2.95 for 5-10 packs. £4.00 for 11 and over.

Design Name	Quantity	Collection Date	Name:
			Address:

## Christmas Cards

Our new 2018 Christmas cards will be available from November and may be ordered by returning a completed form, at the November Sale, or via our website:

[www.lodgetrust.org.uk/shop](http://www.lodgetrust.org.uk/shop)

This year we shall benefit from the sale of Christmas cards and other cards and gifts available from *Gospel Cards* - 20% of their Christmas card sales and 5% of the sale of other items will be given to 29 Christian missions, including The Lodge Trust. (To date, societies like us have received over £300,000 in this way.)

Produced to a very high standard, the calendars, books, etc. make excellent gifts for children and adults; while the cards are perfect for sending to Christians and non-Christian family and friends.

Full details of the cards, etc. are on their website:

[www.GospelCardsEtc.com](http://www.GospelCardsEtc.com)

Or you can ask them for a catalogue:

Tel. 01656 647551 (10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.), or write to:

Gospel Cards, etc. 15 Brackla Street Centre, Bridgend, CF31 1DD



## Coming Up

We will be at the **Christian Resources Exhibition** (Esher, Surrey) on 16th October—18th October alongside our friends from Torch Trust, Count Everyone In, and Urban Saints. Together we will be running a **Churches for All** stand.

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- We will also be at Choice Unlimited (Oakham Rugby Club) on Tuesday 16th October.
- Our **November Sale** is taking place on Saturday 3rd November from 10.30 a.m. until 3.30 p.m. Selling hand-crafted products, plants, Charity Christmas cards, Christmas gifts and decorations, jams, chutneys, and cakes. Also serving lunches and refreshments.

## Prayer Points

- Please pray for members of staff and an intern who have recently joined us as well as others who may arrive soon.
- Continue to pray for the recruitment of new staff.
- Pray for upcoming events.
- Pray for the health of our residents and staff as the weather gets colder and illnesses tend to increase.

## Send a Resident on Holiday

We think holidays are an important part of our residents' life experience. However, we are seeking your support to help us cover the staffing cost of £300 per resident. If you'd like to donate, or you have a creative fundraising idea, please see [www.lodgetrust.org.uk/holiday](http://www.lodgetrust.org.uk/holiday) or get in touch.

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