

a) Wider involvements

1. North Holderness Churches Together (NHCT) - Hornsea Cluster Group

Churches Together continues to support a number of events in the town. The year started with the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity which meant that we visited most churches in the town. This is always a time of encouragement in which we see churches working together to support each other.

They hold regular prayer meetings and outreach by talking to people in the street and distribution of Bibles, the Spring and Autumn ‘Sings’ and Carol singing at Christmas. They also organise the printing and distribution of Christmas cards to every house in Hornsea in December.

During April the group organised the hustings for the General Election in the Town Hall and the Easter Pilgrimage around the town on Easter Saturday.

In July the Sea Sunday Service was held at the Inshore Rescue Centre, the Unity Service was held at Brandesburton Methodist Church and the Carnival Service in Hall Garth Park, so it was a very busy month.

We continue to support the group and join in these activities as often as possible and look forward to what they are planning for the coming year.

Kathy Webb

2. Women’s World Day of Prayer

The Women’s World Day of Prayer (WWDP) for 2015 was prepared by the women of The Bahamas and with the theme based on the words

from John13:10 “Do you know what I have done to you?” This lead to a very interesting and thought provoking service.

The Market Place Pentecostal Church hosted the service but, as always, all seven worshipping communities in Hornsea were involved in the organisation and delivery - just one of the many factors that makes this service so special.

The 2016 service has been prepared by the women of Cuba and is entitled “Receive children. Receive Me.” It will be held at the Methodist Church on Friday 4th March and having already attended the East Riding WWDP conference, held in Beverley, and Hornsea's first preparation day, I can promise you a very uplifting and yet challenging service.

This is not a service to be missed – so make a note of the date in your diary – especially if you have not attended one before – there are not many things that we do together, as the whole body of Christ, but this is one you will actually feel, not only in Hornsea but throughout the world.

Margaret Knapton

3. Hornsea and District Christian Aid Committee

It is 70years since refugees were streaming out of Europe after the Second World War and Churches in the UK got together to form the Inter Church Aid and Refugee Society to offer help. That name did not last long and soon the organisation became known as Christian Aid.

Last year over 20,000 churches raised over £11m to help with a somewhat similar situation to what was happening 70 years ago. Apart from that situation, the focus for the year was on the effect that climate change has on small Pacific Islands, and communities in parts of Africa now devastated by Malaria where that illness was almost unknown before.

We on the Hornsea and District Committee have tried to do our bit and in 2015 raised £4.616:90 of which £2.768 came from the house to house collection. Other fund raising events included the usual very popular Pancake Day at the Parish Hall, plus coffee mornings there.

The Methodist Church also held coffee mornings. The URC hosted the Christian Aid Service and organised the Big Sing with donations going to Christian Aid, plus a concert. Thanks go to all the Churches and individuals who helped, especially those who trudged the streets.

Unfortunately all the committee officials resigned at the end of the year and the committee no longer exists. But hopefully the work, apart from the house to house collection, will still go on with each Church organising its particular events throughout the year. Rev Jamie Kissack offered to be the contact person.

Doreen Rogers

4. Holderness Foodbank

Since starting to run a food bank in Hornsea in 2011 we have given food to over 7,000 people and that means giving out some 70,000 meals. ‘I can’t believe it!’ but it is true. The Hornsea branch oversees two partner banks at Driffield and Beverley and regularly sends bags to a store/distributor at Withernsea URC. These partners mean that we can serve people in a large area without spending too much on transport costs. A big thank you has to go to the Freeport for allowing us to use one of their units for storage of food collected and to Tesco’s for the help they give us with the national collections twice a year.

We could not achieve such a high level of help to people in need if it were not for the generosity of all the people who regularly donate food. I do not know who you are but ‘Thank you’. We have received many letters and statements about how much a food parcel can help a family. I can assure you that this help is not only needed it is very much appreciated. Thank you.

Kathy Webb

5. Commitment for Life

The URC National Scheme, Commitment for Life, continues, with much hard work and enthusiasm by Linda Mead and her team in London. The scheme, which is linked with Christian Aid, encourages development of education, prayer and giving through specific schemes run by Christian Aid and its associates in the Third World.

Updated from a URC Appeal of years ago, the 1% Appeal, when donors were encouraged to give 1% of their giving to charity, it uses 21st century media and resources to provide support in needy situations, but with the added facets of better knowledge through education through the URC, enabling the power of prayer to be directed where it is most needed, and offering the opportunity for giving wherever people feel the need

Our Church Meeting has elected to support schemes in Central America in the last few years, and has found this very worthwhile.

We ask for your continuing prayers for all the work of Commitment for Life, and hope, as a Church, to be able to continue to support it.

Jane Martin

6. The Leprosy Mission (Accounts)

Another great year of fundraising for the Leprosy Mission!

Together we have raised an amazing £1,646.89.

Much of the money came from the Barefoot Challenge which raised £1,352.05 which was then doubled by the UK Government making it worth £2,704.10 to TLM.

If we include the Government Aid it means total donations this year are £2,998.94, a wonderful amount which will make a big difference to the lives of people with leprosy.

I have decided not to run the Thursday stall at coffee morning in 2016 and I would like to thank everyone who has supported it over the years. I will be doing other fundraising events in place of this which I hope you will enjoy and support.

Thank you to everyone who has a leprosy collecting box- more are available! This is an important part of our fundraising - your small change can make a big difference.

Thank you also to everyone who collects stamps and foreign coins for me, last year TLM raised £127,341 from stamps and collectables. I also send off all the postcards we receive each year which come under the collectables.

If you would like to know more about TLM or would like to hold a fundraising event please speak to me.

Thank you all

Carol Rutherford

7. Traidcraft and Fairtrade (Accounts)

We have done it!

Yes, thanks to your tremendous support, £6,201 worth of goods have been purchased from Traidcraft this year. I definitely felt, or at least the number of Traidcraft boxes around the house made it feel like, a busier year than last and the figures bear this out – quite an achievement, and one the whole church should be proud of.

What has made the difference?

Firstly, Traidcraft launched the 'Show You Care' campaign in the autumn, which was accompanied by some superb information on producers and their communities. These made very useful articles for our Church Magazine as well as being widely distributed on the internet. This helped to raise the awareness of the work of Traidcraft and how each one of us is an important part of the work to eradicate poverty.

Secondly, I am indebted to other groups who are 'taking up the cause'. In particular, Brandesburton, Aldbrough, Garton, Bewholme and Catwick churches have all held very successful Fairtrade events and Beeford, North Frodingham and Sigglesthorne schools all continue to support Fairtrade by holding regular events.

Underpinning all this is the commitment shown by the members and friends of Hornsea United Reformed Church who continue to purchase products on a regular basis as well as trying to make their gifts to others fairly traded if possible.

So a very big THANK YOU to all who have supported Fairtrade this year with special thanks to Doreen Taylor who runs the stall each Thursday and to the 'Market Team' for all their lifting and shifting and helping to make more fairly traded products available on the High Street.

. Thank you.

Margaret Knapton

8. Residential Homes Monthly Services

We continued to visit three Residential Homes for monthly half hour services throughout the year. We had to retreat from Elim Lodge fairly early because of preparations to sell the property and refurbish for a change of use.

Thanks go to all who helped to keep those services going for very many years, namely: Rev. Colin Wilson, who took a three monthly turn there and at The Promenade retired early in the year; Rev. Steven Knapton, who conducted services at The Promenade and at Stuart House in rotation with Rev John and Mrs Sue Brown; Beryl Wilson, who always accompanied at The Promenade and Marion Bowen at Stuart House, and Rev. Jamie Kissack, who conducted services at Summer Court Hall apart from once when Jill Fletcher led. Thank you all for sharing these times.

Thanks go to all the singers who attend regularly. i.e. Brenda Robbins, Doreen Taylor, Peter Sallis, Allan and Margot Hipwood, Jean Stennett, Pauline and John Holmes, Marion and Errol Betts, Margaret Middleton, Barbara Simmonite, Carol Davies, Priscilla Deacon.

Most residents, particularly those regular Churchgoers who can no longer attend, appreciate our visits and sometimes some staff members join in. We try to take with us little of the Outside World as well as the love of God.

Doreen Rogers.

b) Within our Fellowship

1. The Friendship Hour (Accounts)

The Friendship Hour opened the 2015 session with a New Year Dinner in the hall on January 30th. A good time was had by all especially as Allan Hipwood organised the post meal entertainment.

As usual Rev .Jamie Kissack spoke at the first meeting on March 4th. when we had an enlightening lesson on water. Likewise Rev. Steven Knapton always enlightens and entertains. Rev. Fran Kissack gave us a very interesting and informative talk on her work as a hospital chaplain. Rev Robert Amos told us how he did a TV programme on cooking. He is always hilarious!!

The charities of which we heard and which we supported this year were Canine Partners,(Carol and 4 others and 5 wonderful dogs) Dove House Hospice, a project in India inaugurated by Miss Margaret Addicott and Fair Trade. (Margaret Knapton.) After the Harvest Festival, which was led by Mrs Marion Betts the money raised by the sale of goods went to Christian Aid.

We visited Zimbabwe on a number of occasions when Frank Taylor gave us of anecdotes of his life there. Olga Coates told us of terrible times which her family experienced in Europe during the Second World War. Rev. Colin Wilson spoke movingly of places and people he knew when he worked in Shetland. Chris Ashmead talked nostalgically of his family history in Wales

Two Police Community Safety Officers scared us when they talked of how easily we can be "taken in". But they also assured us that Hornsea is really a safe place to live.

It was a joy to hear the Shoreline Singers again. They tell me they enjoy visiting us!

The outing, when we almost filled a 50 seater bus, was to the Lavender Gardens. It was good and we were made very welcome with a lecture and good food. The only snag was that it was the hottest day of the year and a few felt ill on the way home because they had tried to see and do everything. We are grateful to the Lions for letting us use the bus again and to Margaret Knapton for driving us.

On one occasion we went to the Yorkshire Assembly at the Scarborough Spa and heard talks from our Moderator, Rev. Kevin Watson, and a retired Police Superintendent from Lancashire, Jo Hampson. Her subject was "It's a Fair Cop" and she was hilarious!!! On the second occasion we visited our Church in York to attend the East Yorkshire Rally when Rev. Alison Micklem spoke of her previous work as a Church Related Community Worker- very moving!

Thanks go to Karen Rogers, who produced a wonderful display on our behalf for the Hornsea Advent Calendar, and to Allan Hipwood who wrote the ditties. Thanks go to Jamie, Margaret, and some of the telephonists who help to set the room up, no mean task as there are always over 30 attending. Thank you also to the committee for their support and to Jean Robinson for looking after the money.

Doreen Rogers.

2. Coffee Morning (Accounts)

2015 saw the Coffee Morning having to face up to a major challenge when Barbara and Bill Coulthard left Hornsea to be nearer their family.

Both Barbara and Bill had put a tremendous amount of time and love into making the coffee morning a welcoming, enjoyable and smoothly run place for all and we will always be indebted to their contribution and legacy (we still have Bill's bell!).

Thanks to an amazing team of volunteers – I am pleased to report that the coffee morning continues to flourish, attracting new participants as well as our most valued 'regulars'. It is a place where friendships are made, concerns are shared and support is found.

It has also generated funds for the church and thanks are expressed to all the regular bakers who provide the most scrumptious cakes and buns each week; to Dee and all who contribute *bric a brac* as well as the 'most glamorous' waiters and waitresses and 'super slick' kitchen staff.

There really is no other place to be on a Thursday morning!

There will always be room at a table or for volunteers – so if you have not been before why not give it a try?

Margaret Knapton

3. Living Well (Accounts)

What a joy it is to be part of such a committed team, who deliver week on week a project that is making such a difference in people's lives! We have increased the number of participants steadily over the year so that we have now engaged with about 125 individuals since the beginning of the project. The lunches remain popular, and we have received really positive feedback from the people we support. Here is just one of many comments we have received:

'It has given me a focus each month and enabled me to mix with other people in the same lonely position as me – I always feel so much better afterwards'

We have added a craft group, 'Stitch in Time', to the range of activities we offer and this has now established itself. Our support for people wanting to learn how to use tablet computers has also proved really positive. A big thank you to everyone who has been a part of the project during 2015. And by the way, new volunteers are always welcome!

Jamie Kissack

4. Tuesday 'Open House' (Accounts)

This Group was started by some Mums in the spring of 1992, although the Mums, Grandmas and Carers are not the ones who began back then. We are still carrying it on as it always ran when Anne Burton ran it, with tea and toast and a friendly chat for the grown-ups whilst the little ones socialise and play. Anne, you are sadly missed by those who knew you. God bless.

We have little parties for when it's a child's birthday and we have several events through the year i.e. Easter Egg Hunt, Fathers' Day card making, Mothers' Day etc. and so it goes on.

This Christmas the children had a party and Santa arranged for some gifts to be dropped off. Even the Mums, Grandmas and Carers had an evening Christmas dinner which was enjoyed by all.

I'd like to say thank you to the Church for letting us use the hall on Tuesday mornings for the Group, as it now seems to be the place to be for play! pleasure! and problem solving.

Debbie Smith

5. Pilots (Accounts)

In some ways 2015 has seen the continuing change experienced during 2014. We are now a significantly smaller group with fluctuating attendance. Most of our regular 'events' like the Humber Bridge Cross, Big Day Out and swimming have not attracted much interest and yet there are moments of pure delight as the message of God's love is shared between the Pilots and leaders as they engage in various crafts and games during the weekly Pilots' meetings.

Times they are a changing..... and as leaders we are striving to find new ways to reach out to the young people in Hornsea, to show the relevance of Jesus and the peace that only he can bring.

We have a wonderful team of leaders who show love, compassion and understanding to all the young people, but we do need your help.

Please hold Pilots in your prayers during 2016 so that we can be open to the leading of the Holy Spirit watch this space!

Margaret Knapton

6. Junior Church

We are blessed to be able to continue our work in Junior Church with a small though regular group of children attending each week. On average our numbers are between 6 and 12, with a record 22 one week in December!

My thanks go to the dedicated group of Junior Church leaders who continue to come up with stimulating, inspirational and fun ideas each week. It is not always easy.

Our Easter Holiday club was a great success. As in previous years we held a more family-orientated event. 'Easter Tasters' old and new came over 2 days and shared Easter-themed crafts, food and fun.

The Seal family have again led us in Family Fun days through the year. These were based on a similar idea as the Holiday Club with crafts and activities.

Our Christmas activities were also thoroughly enjoyed. I was unable to attend the Nativity or its rehearsal this year but as I write I have just enjoyed the Animal Nativity on DVD. It was a great production, written by Sarah Kissack and performed by a cast of older and younger children. I should also add thanks for the animal headgear knitted and donated by members of Tuesday's 'Stitch in Time' craft group.

We had about 20 at the Christmas Party. When I was wrapping up the Pass the Parcel I was trying to find new forfeits and jokes to enclose i.e. one's I hadn't used before, so if anyone has any suggestions for next year's let me know. This year the children had a lucky dip for a Fairtrade Nativity figure to take home -fortunately the numbers worked out perfectly and no one went home empty handed.

The older children are owed another Night Shift. This is a chance to cook, create and chill out. It usually takes place around Christmas but we had to postpone it this year. We are looking forward to an overnight stay in the newly-decorated church sometime in New Year.

Please keep the Junior Church in your prayers over the coming year as we try to support our children and young people on their journey with God.

Julia Clifton

7. Church Flowers (Accounts)

What an abundance of flowers we have had in Church this year. Ann and her team do a magnificent job arranging the flowers and also enhancing the windowsills in Church.

The flowers are paid for by money donated by Church members and friends. Some people buy their own flowers and arrange them too.

There is a flower rota in the hall where you can put your name for a particular Sunday for whatever reason is special to you.

Then on a Monday the flowers are taken out to people who may need cheering up or are celebrating something, maybe a birthday or anniversary. Again there is a rota. We love our rotas!!

Sadly this rota is getting a bit depleted and harder to fill. This year Caroline Jeffs has had to step down after helping me for some years. So this has created a vacancy I am finding hard to fill. My very grateful thanks to Allan, Margot, Chris and Eileen for their faithful service and also Sarah, Val and Margaret who step in and sometimes help out.

It is a very worthwhile and rewarding 'job' delivering the flowers. There is nothing nicer than knowing you have made someone's day, and that they know someone has thought of them.

Please think whether you can help. It would be a shame if we have to stop taking the flowers out because there is no-one to do it.

Finally, many, many thanks to everyone involved in any way with the flowers.

Marion Clubley

8. Church Secretary's Report

We started this year with a membership of 107. Sadly we have lost a few during the year, amongst them Mavis Horsfield who is sadly missed, and Anne Burton who did so much for the young families who called into 'Open House' each Tuesday morning. Thankfully Debbie has carried on from Anne's lead and continues to make sure that everyone gets the warm welcome that has become such a strong trade mark of Open House.

Bill and Barbara who moved away and, though missed, the gardens have found new carers and coffee morning has a really strong team of helpers who have carried on regardless. We thank God for their fellowship and the contribution each made to the life of the church.

It was a delight to welcome June Tucker and Sylvia Innes into our fellowship in June. Both bring particular talents, especially to Church life and The Living Well Project, bringing our membership back up to 103.

We elected Ann Bosworth as a new Elder and Carol, Margaret and Marion were re-elected as serving Elders. This means that we now have nine serving Elders and eight non-serving Elders and we are very grateful for the work they put into keeping the church and its many projects going smoothly.

We have continued to be blest with new technology and 'Gloria', our new Hymnal, has joined our repertoire. She is now well accepted and often leads our singing when asked to by our organist. And thanks go to Steve and Harry Seal who keep us together with Jamie during the service through the use of the laptop and projector.

The iPod training, a Facebook presence and a lively website continue to be developed and several of our regular members of the iPod group now feel confident enough to go it alone and offer help to people new to the tablet brigade. The website continues to be a strong link with the

community near and far. If you have not yet done so take a look at www.hornseaurc.org.uk and find out what is going on. Jamie blogs regularly and keeps us up to date via electronic diaries and our Facebook page.

Ecumenically we have continued to support the Foodbank, Christian Aid, North Holderness Churches Together, and have built up strong links with the convent in Eastgate, using it for Elders' Days and Quiet Days. We had to say goodbye to Keith and Hilary Himswort, the Methodist minister and his wife, but our links with the Methodists have been strengthened through the work of Messy Church which many of our members support. The 'Advent Calendar' proved to be very successful again this Christmas. Thanks to all the organisations that contributed and made sure that it ran smoothly. It is hoped that the Easter Garden will be repeated this coming year.

The presence of Hornsea URC in the town continues to grow with the Living Well Project. This has been described as a 'Flagship Project' by both East Riding Council and FLAG and it has been featured on Radio Humberside as well as in the local press on several occasions. It now also has a presence on the national URC website as one of the 'let's do it' projects.

We have been encouraged to think more about people less well off than ourselves through The Leprosy Mission, Shoeboxes and Beruda projects and Jamie's reminder about the plight of Christians throughout the world living with persecution.

None of this would be possible without the enthusiasm and guidance of Jamie and the support of his family. We all enjoyed the nativity play written by Sarah and performed by the children to start off our Christmas celebrations. We do thank all of you Jamie, Fran, Kathie, Sarah and Peter. We look forward to what you have in store for us this coming year.

Kathy Webb

9. Ministry

This has been a quiet year in terms of changes to my ministry with you. I remain grateful for the way in which the Elders and the church support me in what is a team effort to sustain and grow the work of the church. I believe that we have shown ourselves to be a faithful, serving Christian community that is widely recognized as playing a significant part in the life of our town. My thanks to you all, and for your personal support to me and to the family.

Jamie Kissack

10. Pastoral Visitors

We are pilgrims on a journey,
and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

So reads a verse from one of my favourite hymns. Our team of Pastoral Visitors help to make this a reality in the life of our church, and I would want to put on record my thanks to them for the dedicated way in which they do this. Well done, once again!

Jamie Kissack

11. Worship Co-ordinator

This title was bestowed on me a few years ago. I'm not sure that I do much co-ordinating, but still, who am I to disagree?

Anyway, it's a team effort. The Elders all work together. Recently the Elders have formed small groups working month by month to spread the duties more thinly. We have rotas (as stated in another report, we love our rotas!) The Vestry Elder makes sure someone is in the porch, we have an organist and sound system person. Val organises readers and passes hymn number onto the Vestry Elder.

Jamie is usually here most Sundays but when we let him have a holiday (!) or he is preaching elsewhere then it's my job to find a preacher.

This isn't as easy as it used to be as preachers are getting a bit thin on the ground. But we are lucky we have Steven, Jill and the Elders to help out.

Finally a big thank you to everyone who helps and is involved with Sunday worship and makes the Church the place to be each week.

PS I forgot about our new addition in the form of Gloria, our digital organ, acquired to help our organists out. She seems to have settled in and several members have been 'trained' in using her.

Marion Clubley

12. Bible Study

During the year we have looked at stories to do with wells, we've followed the Exodus journey and looked at the life of Moses. We have read Paul's letter to the Ephesians and we have looked at some wise words from the book of Proverbs, and more.

Our meetings have always involved lively discussion and deep questions. I hope that we have explored our faith at a meaningful level, and also had some fun along the way. It certainly keeps me on my toes.

We always say this - but it remains true: you don't have to have a deep knowledge of the bible to get a lot out of our time together. Beginners really are welcome. My experience is that, how every familiar or unfamiliar it is to you, every time you open the bible in a group setting you discover great treasures. Why not join us, Tuesdays at 1.30 at 12 St. Nicholas Drive?

Jamie Kissack

13. Faith and Fellowship

We have met regularly during 2015 and have had some really good discussions along the way (as well as some good food!). It is now a really strong group with members who are ready to lead when I am unable to be there.

One of the delights of Faith and Fellowship is that it is a really mixed group, with people at very different stages of their Christian journey. That is a great source of richness to the group and a real encouragement to me.

Jamie Kissack

14. Prayer Network

The Prayer Book has become an important part of our service each Sunday. I am regularly encouraged by the way people bring names Sunday by Sunday of those they hold dear, and often they tell us of improving health or conditions.

The names given to Jamie on a Sunday morning are added to our lists and we pray for them daily. As the Prayer Network Group we meet each month to share news of those we are praying for and pray together. Please feel free to add a name to the book or talk to one of the group, Paul, Kathy, Sarah, Val, Pam, Margaret K, Karen or Jamie if you do not feel able to add the name during the service.

Kathy Webb

15. Fund Raising and Social Committee

2015 was another year where our income for events dropped for whatever reason but certainly not due to lack of support or enthusiasm from the team.

Along with our usual events such as Winter Lunches, Table Top Sales, Gardeners' Fair etc., we held an afternoon of URC's Got Talent, which

is to be repeated as it proved we really have got talent in abundance. Who could forget the marvellous “Mere Dance”?

Our Social occasions, which include a supper, are an excellent opportunity to gather together in a relaxed atmosphere as a church family and although the average attendance for these events is about 30 they are all most enjoyable.

There is no doubt that outside events are extremely beneficial to our fundraising and after trying to organise a Garden Party, for we thought we had a venue, unfortunately this had to be abandoned. In fact the only event outside the church was a wonderful afternoon tea courtesy of Steven and Margaret Knapton in their garden with delicious sandwiches and cakes.

However, not to be daunted we shall try our best to come up with new ideas to increase our finances in 2016.

June Barton

16. Property Committee

The Property report of 2014 ended with the words – watch this space! Well the space, as I write, has not changed much at all but work to secure funds, as well as completion of the Quinquennial Inspection, will enable refurbishment to take place early in 2016.

The roof space above the church has been insulated and annual checks for gas, heating, fire safety etc. have all been carried out. General maintenance – such as the lovely tiles at the hall door, floor boards and 'spring cleaning' - has just about kept up with the wear and tear on our very busy building – thanks to the fantastic team for their DIY skills, which help to keep down the cost. Thanks also, to all those who clean the hall and church on a regular basis as well as those who help out when there is a need (usually without being asked) as your work helps to make and keep the building a very welcoming place.

Margaret Knapton

17. Church Cleaning

This involves vacuuming and polishing the church and porch area each week ready for our Sunday worship.

Thank you to those who have joined me on this rota – Dawn & Sharlah Cantwell, Marion Clubley, Jill Fletcher, Margaret Knapton, Heather Raw and Suzanne Richardson.

The rota at the moment means we each clean once in every six weeks and it takes a couple of hours. If you feel you could help in some way either occasionally or by joining someone on the rota to get the job done quicker please speak to one of us.

Carol Rutherford

c) Communications

1. Newsletter

The Newsletter goes on and at least 10% to 15% of our regular readers are known to read it online, not to mention casual readers who pick it up when browsing. We hope this will grow, though the printed copy remains at the heart of our work.

Don't forget it is our Church's Newsletter, written by all of us. Let me have your contributions, but also keep on reading, and tell your friends, who may not be regular readers like you.

Thanks to Julie at the printers, Marion and John Clubley and also to Jamie for his help, especially with the online edition, all of whom keep the whole thing coming each month.

Jane Martin

2. Seaside Sermons

We, and many other Hornsea folk, enjoy the weekly thoughts made available by Frank Hobson, and posted on the board by Tony Greenway. Thank you both for your trouble, and for providing food for thought to passers by and bus stop queuers!

Jane Martin

3. International Bible Reading Association

There was a ‘flush’ of new subscribers last year. Most have renewed this year. This speaks for itself.

Frank Hobson

(Will you join too? Frank has sample books and Jane will show you the ibooks version. Just ask)

4. Reform

The URC’s national magazine continues to represent up to date thinking on many aspects of life in the URC and beyond. This too is now available in a digital edition (at a saving of £7 per annum!). Google it, or ask me for more details. ‘Proper’ print copies, beautifully produced, are still available too. Ask me.

Jane Martin

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