

PATHWAY NEWS

The Lodge Trust Monthly Newsletter

April 2017

This month we celebrated Easter—the glorious good news that Christ rose from the grave and conquered death. One of the marvellous things about our New Testament worship is that there is no longer any segregation. There is no Holy of Holies from which we are restrained. There is no male or female, or Jew or Greek in Christ. The good news is for people of all tribes, tongues, and nations. The good news is also for children, whom the disciples would have sent away. It is for all who are marginalized and deemed unworthy. God's love to His people is impartial. Therefore, it does not distinguish someone with learning disabilities from someone without them. That's why our work is so important to us and such a great pleasure—supporting people in their commitment to live out the Easter message of new life in Christ and building each other up in our faith. It is our duty to make faith accessible to our brothers and sisters with learning disabilities because they are in no way excluded from God's Kingdom and have a vital role to play in it. And it's a privilege to work with groups like Prospects, as we did at Word Alive, who share our principles and objectives.



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Concert

On Thursday 23rd March, Matthew and Bianka took William, Jonathan, Richard, Jonathan and Chayne to Mount Pleasant Baptist Church in Northampton to see Stuart Townend performing live.



They all had a really good time. Chayne was dancing more than anyone else in the entire building, I think.

They all enjoyed meeting him and getting a photo with him. William is already asking if we can go to another one.



Word Alive

This year we had another fantastic week at the Word Alive conference.

For those of you who don't know, Word Alive is a Christian conference that runs once a year at the Pontins site in Prestatyn. There are worship sessions and seminars and The Lodge Trust together with Prospects run an inclusive and accessible track that lots of our residents go to.

We learnt memory verses, complete with signs, and we said 'I am a city on a hill' with signs nearly everyday. The residents all had chance to talk about their day and pray for each other.

Outside of the prospects track, there were lots of fun things to do on and off site, making it a fab holiday. We played football nearly everyday, visited the beach and played snooker. Jonathan even managed to finally beat Chayne! Off site, we visited a castle (where Jonathan climbed to the top of just about every tower!), a local waterfall, a sea aquarium in Rhyl and of course managed a bit of shopping in Rhyl, too. We went to the pub for a drink and met up with an ex-TLT employee, Heather. The weather was great and everyone seemed to enjoy it.



Special Olympics

Carolyn and Richard, 2 of our amazing horse riding team, have been picked to be part of the Special Olympics team this summer!

In order to get there, they need to raise £1,500 to cover the cost of their kit, travel and accommodation.

Can you help?

Below is the link to their fundraising page.

Please donate if you can and please share with all your friends so that we can get them to their target.

https://my.give.net/specialolympics

If you would rather give via our website, then the web page is:

www.lodgetrust.org.uk/specialolympics

You can also give in cash at our Café. Thank you.



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