

PATHWAY NEWS

The Lodge Trust Monthly Newsletter

October 2017

31st October 2017 marks the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, or the day when Martin Luther nailed his Ninety-five Theses to the door of the Wittenberg Castle Church. One of the most glorious fruits of the Reformation was the translation of the Bible and church services into vernacular languages, which at the time were only available in Latin. A pastoral concern for accessibility motivated early Protestant leaders even in the face of bitter persecution. Luther said, "When I preach here, I adapt myself to the circumstances of the common people. I don't look at the doctors and masters, of whom scarcely forty are present, but I look at the hundred or the thousand young people and children. It's to them that I devote myself, for they, too, need to understand." In the same way, we should be motivated to see people with learning disabilities understand God's Word. It is encouraging to have new versions such as the NlrV which aim to make the Bible more easily digestible and applicable, and charities like Churches for All whose goal is to equip churches so that people with disabilities can participate in them. We thank God for calling a family made up of all kinds of people and for stirring up these efforts to reach out to every single one of them.



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Barcelona Holiday

A group of residents and two staff members went to Barcelona this month.



They had an excellent time together.



Some of the highlights include a visit to the Sagrada Familia cathedral—Richard and Lisa admired the colourful stained-glass windows in particular—and to the Camp Nou football stadium.

Though there was some rain to remind them of home, they also enjoyed warm sunshine and blue skies at the seaside. Not to forget the delicious food: Richard found the paella very tasty, and Jonathan liked Spanish omelette and the homemade ice cream.



Center Parcs Holiday

Another group of residents went to Center Parcs in Elveden, Suffolk.



They went late-night swimming every evening and enjoyed the flumes and the hot tubs! They went ten-pin bowling and enjoyed a day out at Banham Zoo.



They played crazy golf and had a boat trip on the lakes at Center Parcs.



They had some lovely meals out. Jonathan had a great climbing wall experience. They had a great holiday and experienced lots of really good activities.



Fitzwilliam Museum Trip

On Thursday 5th October Malcolm drove the minibus to Cambridge. We parked on the roadside and walked through the busy streets to the museum. First of all we ate our packed lunches outside before going in.

We went to the Degas exhibition. He loved to paint ballet dancers, ladies and landscapes. We also saw some of his sculptures of ballerinas. Then we went to look at more rooms of paintings and furniture. There were lots of artworks inspired by the Bible.

Then we went to look at the Greek rooms. We saw some very old vases. There were pictures on them which showed how people lived a long time ago. We saw Greek jewellery and statues.

Finally we went to see the Egyptian rooms. We saw several sarcophagi and items that would have been in tombs of dead people. We saw mummified kittens. We saw models of Egyptian life including boats, a butchers scene and a bread-making scene. We also saw hieroglyphics. *(Written by the residents and Service Users who attended)*



Christmas Lunches

It is now possible to book Christmas lunches in the Café on

**13th, 14th, 15th, 20th, 21st, 22nd
December.**

Pre-booked tables only.

3 courses for £18.95

2 courses for £16.95



Prayer Points

We are thankful for your prayers and ask that you would bear in mind the following over the coming month:

- We have a number of sales and local community events throughout November and December. The November Sale in particular is only days away on Saturday 4th. Please pray that they are a success.
- As Christmas approaches, please pray for those residents who find this time of year difficult for various reasons.
- Pray also for the good health of our residents and Service Users as well as staff as the weather gets colder.
- We have new staff coming soon, so pray that they would settle in well.
- Some staff are leaving for pastures new. We thank God for their service and pray He would bless them in their vocations.

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