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This quarter there's great stories from Basics Bank and Street Pastors, important information about DCM, dates of the AGM and Annual Celebration and more. However, to start off with, here's something from Alasdair...

### Nonsensical Obedience

Being the leader of a Faith Mission you often look at passages of men and women of faith in the Bible to encourage and be an example to you. There is possibly no greater example than Abraham. The Bible says in Hebrews 11v17 "By faith Abraham, when God tested him, offered Isaac as a sacrifice." He who had received the promises was about to sacrifice his one and only son.

I will always remember the Lord talking to me just over 2 years ago about setting up Street Pastors in Derby. Never did I realise it would see us with 60 new volunteers working in the project, prime time coverage on BBC1, receiving civic and County Police awards and continual press coverage. Weekly we have requests to help set up other projects elsewhere. In fact the pressure to expand is intense. We have seen the Lord's blessing as we draw to the end of our financial year. The Lord has been good to us. The nonsense of obedience is foolishness to man and yet the Bible is full of people who moved in nonsensical obedience. One of my favourite expressions is 'The first step is faith the rest is a walk of obedience.'

For the future we need to restructure further the mission, especially our charitable status, and to move from Quarn Drive to the City Centre as urgent priorities. So it looks as if the future means more obedience, but this we know: faith pleases God, and he rewards those who earnestly seek Him. So for the next financial year we will continue to seek and continue to walk with Him.

Every blessing, Alasdair

## Basics Bank

We have decided to split the current Basics Bank into a separate debt advice project and food distribution service. The debt advice project has been re-branded as the Jubilee Project. The food distribution will remain as Basics Bank. We also have a number of new volunteers working with both projects:

### Jubilee Project

Einir Cooper, Wendy Roe, Jane Duckitt and Andy and Ruth Clark.

### Basics Bank

John & Sylvia Gatt and Einir Cooper



Sharon writes about praying for the first time for a client, “(It) was an amazing experience and I prayed loads for her. Ruth asked her if she wanted prayer and she accepted without hesitation. It was amazing and we felt the Lord's presence in it all. She had lots going on in her life - a very sad life trapped in a pit of debt, even though she is working part time, trying so hard week in and week out to struggle by. She and her husband rarely have any spare money and it is incredibly oppressive. They cannot scrape together enough hours of work between them to qualify for the benefits that will allow them to be a lot better off and give them choices. They have been imprisoned like this for a long while and a few weeks ago it all became too much for one of the parties and it came to a head. There was lots of tears, mainly from our dear client, but I also shed a few as well. We invited God to prove himself through the miracle of provision for them. That she would feel Gods peace and reassurance, that she and her husband would be OK and that God would intervene swiftly to bring them out of this very dark place. She sobbed for quite a while, we consoled her and she went away with her chin lifted a little higher than when she came in.”

## Charity Changes



The Committee/Trustees of DCM have unanimously voted to change the Mission's charitable status from an unincorporated charity to a Charitable Company Limited by Guarantee. This does not in any way alter the day to day work of the mission. However, in terms of funding it enables us to better bid for funding. It also enables us to set up a social enterprise to better serve those caught in deprivation. It will also then allow us as a company to own property, as well as limiting the

liability of the trustees. This will also mean that as a Mission we will comply more fully with current charitable law.

The plan is that we will create the new company and then transfer the existing DCM trust into the new company. We will propose a vote at this year's AGM to wind up DCM Trust and transfer all the assets, liabilities, operations and staff to the new company.

Please contact us should you wish to see the Memorandum and Articles of Association and the Objects and Rules of the new DCM Ltd.



## **Headquarter Premises**

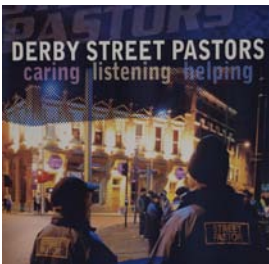
You will all know that we have been trying to move to the City Centre and we have now seen a promising building in Abbey Street. As always, there are no guarantees at present. We predict a shortfall between the price of our Quarn Drive premises and this one of £150,000. This is a real opportunity for us to look to the Lord together for his provision. So we are asking you to make this a matter of concentrated prayer. We also hope to let you have more details on this with our annual report in September. Our plan is to exchange contracts in October and complete in January.

## **Street Pastors**

The new street pastors with Rev Les Isaac, CEO of the Ascension Trust (centre right). Left to right are: David Simpson, Andrew Stewart, Steve Tribe, Angela Russell, Jim Kay and Dr Darren Leaning. Pray for them as they go



through the training, ready to hit the streets! Street Pastors has now been running for over a year, and in that year we have chatted to over 18,300 members of the public, given out over 12,000 'spikies', 1400 pairs of flip flops and given first aid to nearly 240 people. We have calmed 850 people and assisted 531 drunk people. We truly praise God for the amazing impact we've had on the city centre streets. The estates teams have had a tough but fruitful few months. Dan (estates co-ordinator) writes, "We have received a very



warm welcome from the people on the Austin Estate. The level of engagement with the community has exceed our expectations. We have made progress in unexpected ways, such as becoming involved with the Caxton Arms, which we visit on patrol to chat with the locals. We have also been involved with forming a football team with the some the young people. We get up to 40 young people to training on Saturday afternoons and we are gradually beginning to form good relationships and build trust with them, some of whom are known to be gang members.” Pray that both Street Pastor projects continue to show God’s love in practical ways.

**Diary Dates** Please note that there will be 2 separate meetings this year:-

**AGM - 13th September 2010, 7:30pm**

**Annual Celebration - 23rd September 2010, 7:30pm**

**Both at Osmaston Road Baptist Church**

## **Trustee News**

Jan Mitson has resigned as a DCM Trustee. Her family are keeping her busy and she feels that now is the right time to spend more time with them. We thank Jan for her faithful service and support and pray she continues to be a blessing to her family and others.

## **Communication**

There are lots of ways to keep in contact with the us on a day to day basis:-

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And if you are happy to receive this newsletter by email, please email:-

[newsletter@derbycitymission.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@derbycitymission.org.uk)

## **Support DCM**

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**Prayer Guide:**  
**July to September**  
**2010**

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This quarter's general prayer topics are:

**Daily**

That God will provide a new building for DCM and the finances necessary.

**Twice Per Week**

That God will be in control of the process of setting up DCM Ltd.

**Mondays**

Jubilee Project clinic at Pear Tree Road Baptist Church.  
Funding bids for Street Pastors and the Jubilee Project.  
Care homes ministry.

**Tuesdays**

Jubilee Project clinic at Mayfield Road Methodist Church.  
A bumper harvest this year! So that we can bless more people in return.  
Tea Time outreach and the elderly.

**Wednesdays**

Jubilee Project clinic at Osmaston Road Baptist Church.  
Recovery Project.  
Healing On The Streets conference in October.

**Thursdays**

Jubilee Project clinic at Sinfin Library.  
Alpha courses across the city.  
The DCM staff as they take much needed holidays.  
Alasdair and Robin, as they represent the Mission among city leaders and

**Fridays**

the media.  
Street Pastor teams out in both the south Derby estates and the city centre.  
City centre outreach and lunch-time service.  
Alpha 'Invite the City to Supper' in Autumn.

**Saturdays**

Street Pastor teams out in both the south Derby estates and the city centre.  
The Committee.  
All the volunteers, especially the new ones.

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## **Sundays**

Alasdair as he speaks at various churches about the work of the Mission.

### This quarter's specific prayer items are:

**Thursday 1st July** - Start of the new financial year and the closing of the last financial year.

**Friday 2nd & Saturday 3rd July** - New Street Pastor training.

**Tuesday 6th & Wednesday 7th July** - Alasdair, Robin and 2 others from the Street Pastors Management Committee are in London for training.

**Friday 9th July** - Monthly prayer meeting.

**Friday 9th & Saturday 10th July** - New Street Pastor training.

**Monday 19th July** - DCM Committee meeting.

**Tuesday 20th July** - Robin is at an important City meeting.

**Friday 13th August** - Monthly prayer meeting.

**Sunday 15th August** - Alasdair is preaching at Trinity Baptist.

**Monday 16th August** - DCM Committee meeting.

**Monday 23rd August** - Christmas Connection preparations start.

**Sunday 29th August** - Alasdair is preaching at St Augustine's (a.m.) and Davenport Road (p.m.)

**Friday 10th September** - Monthly prayer meeting.

**Monday 13th September** - Annual General Meeting.

**Saturday 18th September** - All day prayer meeting for the City.

**Monday 20th September** - DCM Committee meeting.

**Thursday 23rd September** - Annual Celebration.

**Saturday 25th September** - Alpha launch.

**Sunday 26th September** - Alasdair is meeting with Chellaston Churches Together. There is also a Street Pastors prayer event in the evening.

**A space for you to make your own prayer notes**



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to the Whole Person,  
for the Whole City

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