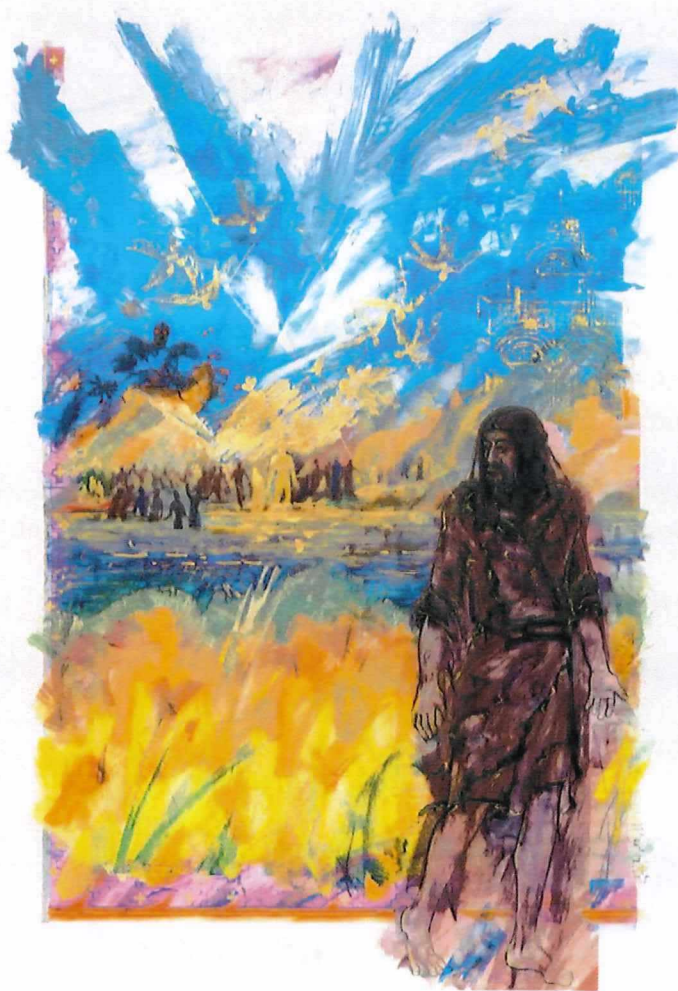




# SPRINGS

Christian Fellowship

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Baptism of Jesus

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## AGM Report 2025

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# Agenda

## Annual General Meeting (25-Jan-2026)

All Members are expected to make every effort to be present, it is part of your membership and a meeting that is required by Law.



✓ OPEN IN PRAYER → Phil

16 members present  
+ 3 church council members  
+ online (unknown)

Simon  
&  
Ash

### 1. REPORTS

- a. Leadership ✓
- b. Treasurer ✓
- c. Youth ✓
- d. Sunday School ✓
- e. Worship ✓
- f. Prayer ✓
- g. Faith Builders ✓
- h. Outreach - Street (Open Air) and Residential Homes ✓

2. ANY OTHER BUSINESS This should be submitted in writing to the Church Council and be received 2 days before the AGM meeting. ✓

3. DATE OF NEXT AGM – 24 Jan 2027 ✓ – may change

4. CLOSING REMARKS ✓ – thanks to all who contribute

5. THANKSGIVING TO GOD ✓ – Eric



- reports handed to members who hadn't seen online + a few minutes given to read
- church council introduced themselves

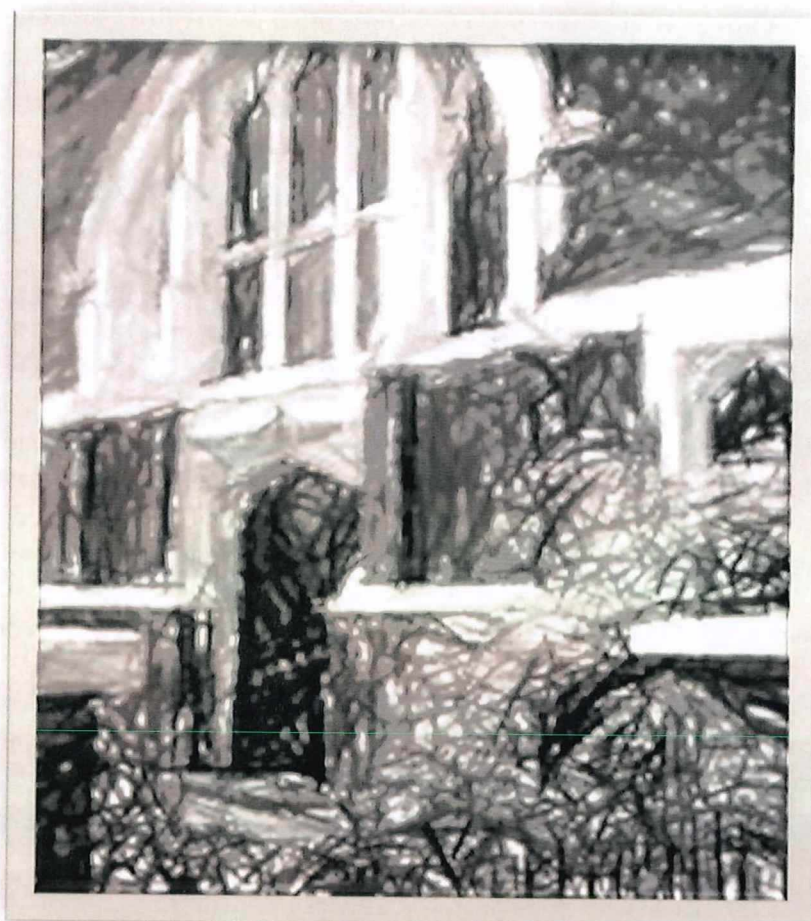
AOB

No questions submitted  
+ none raised in meeting

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# Leadership Report

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## Introduction

This is the seventeenth year of producing a printed annual report for members in which we provide our reports, the accounts and look to the future.

This report deals solely with the events and activities of 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025.

## Overview

As in previous years, the overall objective was to continue to build an intercultural and spiritual community as well as to maintain a stable structure for meetings and administration. It aimed at encouraging the ongoing spiritual growth in the body of the church. There was also an intention to continue to make improvements on the building. As part of achieving the above aims, the leadership continued its search and processes for appointing a new minister to bring a renewed vision for the church. Though we worked towards achieving this goal and gave priority for recruitment, this was not materialised due to various reasons. Meetings, administration processes, and improvements of the building were addressed. The church has begun to grow in quality and quantity. Young members of the church began to take more initiative in spiritual activities. The Leadership has been keen to encourage every individual member in the church to become people who read bible, pray regularly and develop their personal relationship with the Lord. We thank one and all who serve in so many different and varied ways, all equally important. We all continue to appreciate each other and thank those who support the varied activities needed to keep God's church functioning.

## Benefiting the Community

The Objects of the Charity are principally to the advancement of Christianity. This is being done by the declaration and upholding of the Gospel concerning God's Son Jesus Christ the Lord and the preaching and teaching of the Word of God in accordance with the Statement of Faith of the Assemblies of God in Great Britain as approved by the General Council from time to time. In addition, the objectives allow the church to minister into key areas of our society and the world and therefore allow us to minister to the needs of the whole person.

In the ongoing work, we have continued throughout 2024 and into 2025 to hold a Sunday service where the full Gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed, and people are challenged to live a life worthy of the gospel and put their faith into action. Our obvious aim is to teach and train people of all ages from the Bible in ways that are relevant to their age and culture, to be obedient to God, to keep positive relationship with their families and to be good citizens in our community.

A part of fulfilling our objectives is a commitment to missionary and social work in this country and overseas. For a small church we endeavour to serve our community well with street evangelism and residential outreach.

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# Leadership Report

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We support organisations that specialise in Bible-centred teaching, work with ex-prisoners and people in the community. Our support is also given to those organisations that provide help with social problems and support people and children around the world whose lives have been devastated by natural disasters.

## Annual Events

- Easter Special Service
- Christmas/Carol Services
- Youth-led family Sunday
- Social get together
- Church picnic/day out
- Area/Zone Conference

## Concerning the Coming Year

The Leadership and the church continue to be fully committed to explore new ways of reaching out to the community with the gospel of Christ and demonstrating God's love for the world. We want to encourage all believers in the church, the young people in particular, continue to engage in evangelism and mission activities in the church and neighbouring communities. We would like to see people growing more in their passion and love for God. We would like to keep prayer and preaching the word of God at the centre of the church activities. We want to see more people growing in their God-given leadership roles. We will continue to keep our motto: "Changed Hearts, Changed Lives and Changed World".

## Church Leadership and Management

While the structure for the church leadership development is addressed, there are other areas that are still under development. Like the previous year, the church council needs support and strengthening. Areas that need further development will be practical as more people join the church. We would like to see more people taking initiative to serve the church in this way.

## Evangelism and Mission

Evangelism and mission are integral part of the life of the church. They give us opportunities to share the gospel with others. While some of these events or activities are not for direct proclamation of the gospel, they give opportunity for interaction with our community and the availability to answer questions. Community interaction helps break down some of the myths about Christians and the church. It allows our community to see the authenticity of our faith and the consistency of our lives.

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## Projects or Events Planned

- Developing the structure of the family service
- Youth and family service on Sundays
- Prayer meetings and bible study
- Items for Social Oversea & Teaching Project

## Building Development

- Ongoing external Maintenance Program
- Ongoing Internal Decoration of back hall.
- Disabled toilet access

*V.J. Samkuttu*

(on behalf of the Elders, Springs Christian Fellowship)

# Treasurer Report

## Introduction

For the financial year ending 31st March 2025, our income and expenditure have changed since the last financial year; see Table 1. The total income for this financial year increased by £8,102, while the total expenditure decreased by £9,369.

**Table 1**      **Summary of Receipts and Payments**

Summary Receipts and Payments For The Year Ended 31st March 2025

	Receipts			Payments	
	2023 / 24 £	2024 / 25 £		2023 / 24 £	2024 / 25 £
Church Giving	43,270	43,665	Pastoral/Ministry Expenses (see note 1)	5,061	5,555
Restricted Income	1,000	185	Establishment Costs (see note 2)	34,310	25,178
Interest	58	156	Administration (see note 3)	2,507	1,776
Other Income	4,046	12,470			
	<b>48,374</b>	<b>56,476</b>		<b>41,878</b>	<b>32,509</b>

# Treasurer Report

**Table 2**      **Payment breakdown**

Payments for the year ended 31st March 2025

	2023 / 24		2024 / 25	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Pastoral/Ministry Costs (Note 1)</b>				
Ministry Fees (including admin pay)	4,309		3,803	
Expenses	0		0	
Ministry / Mission	202		188	
Youth Ministry	130		0	
Worship Team	0		532	
Tithes & Gifts	420		1,032	
		5,061		5,555
<b>Establishment Costs (Note 2)</b>				
Utilities & Insurance	8,907		8,615	
Cleaning Services	3,700		3,920	
Building & Repairs	13,643		6,862	
Church Manse Utilities & Insurance	4,363		4,193	
Church Manse Repairs	2,665		0	
Catering & Facilities	762		504	
Music Licence	235		0	
Telephone - Landline & Broadband	0		869	
Contract Services	0		215	
Equipment	35		0	
		34,310		25,178
<b>Administration (Note 3)</b>				
Fees	420		687	
Computer	490		705	
Membership & Dues	817		35	
Child Protection	174		324	
Stationery & Postage	12		18	
Advertising	540		0	
Sundries	54		7	
		2,507		1,776
<b>Total</b>		<b>41,878</b>		<b>32,509</b>

# Treasurer Report

**Table 3      Assets and Liabilities**

Statement of Assets and Liabilities  
As At 31st March 2025

	2023 / 24		2024 / 25	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>				
Church Premises - Insurance Value	612,711		612,711	
Contents of Premises - Insurance Value	23,099		23,099	
Church Manse - Insurance Value	144,484		144,484	
		<b>780,294</b>		<b>780,294</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>				
<u>Bank Balances:</u>				
TSB A/C 30154860	58,829		72,339	
TSB A/C 30460268	5,997		15,533	
TSB A/C 30460960	751		936	
TSB A/C 30709160	10,394		10,550	
Cash in Hand	0		220	
		<b>75,971</b>		<b>99,578</b>
Accounts Receivable	0		360	
		<b>0</b>		<b>360</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>856,265</b>		<b>880,232</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Kingdom Bank Loan 822123	0		0	
		<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>856,265</b>		<b>880,232</b>

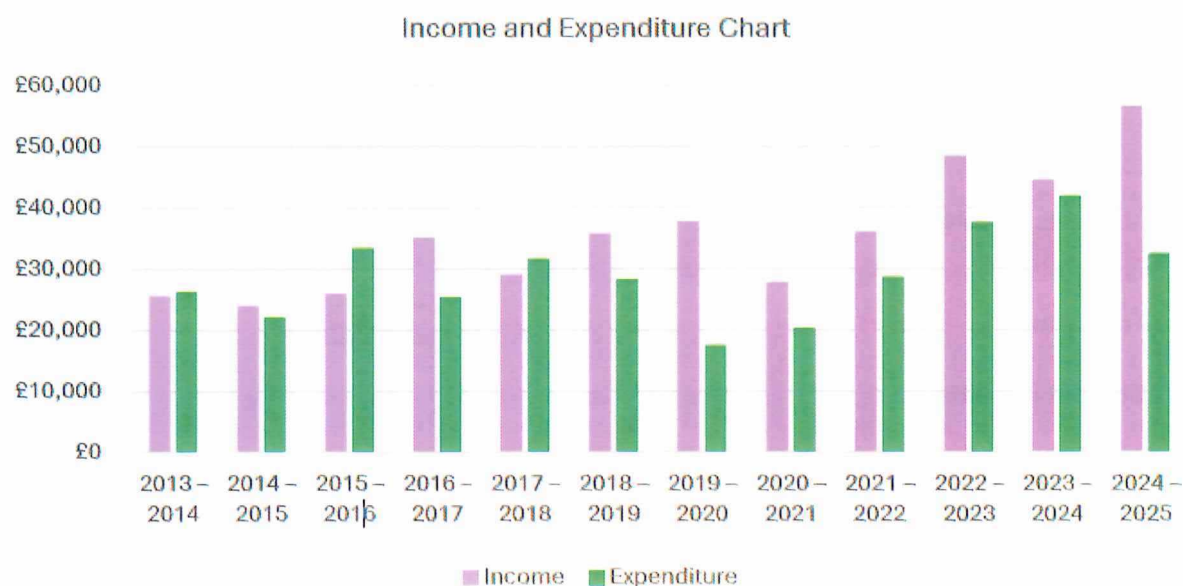
# Treasurer Report

The income and expenditure table and chart below present income and expenditure for Springs Christian Fellowship over the last 11 years.

**Table 4** *Income and Expenditure Table for last 11 years*

Financial Year	Income	Expenditure	Financial Year	Income	Expenditure
2013 – 2014	£25,591	£26,286	2019 – 2020	£37,634	£17,529
2014 – 2015	£23,982	£22,052	2020 – 2021	£27,756	£20,367
2015 – 2016	£25,901	£33,440	2021 – 2022	£35,999	£28,684
2016 – 2017	£35,000	£25,300	2022 – 2023	£48,374	£37,612
2017 – 2018	£28,989	£31,600	2023 – 2024	£44,529	£41,878
2018 – 2019	£35,700	£28,253	2024 – 2025	£56,476	£32,509

**Table 5** *Income and Expenditure Chart for last 11 years*



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# Treasurer Report

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## Church Tithe

The church council continues to tithe to Watoto a sum of £300 pa to sponsor a child.

## Concerning the Future

God has remained faithful throughout these uncertain times and has continued to meet our needs. If you feel led by God to give financially—whether toward general church needs or a specific project such as renovations—please do not hesitate to contact our treasurer, Isabel Baskaran.

I encourage everyone to reflect on the biblical principle of tithing. For those who are taxpayers, Gift Aid is also a valuable option, as it allows the Church to reclaim approximately 25% from the taxman. Setting up a monthly standing order is a simple and effective way to manage regular giving. In addition, we will be looking into options for online giving and text donations as we adapt to a society that increasingly uses less cash.

Finally, I thank God for His faithfulness and for every person who supported the work of this church financially during the year ending March 2025. My prayer is that you will continue to stand with us this year through your financial giving and through all the other ways you serve and support our church.

*Isabel Baskaran*

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passed to IB for end of meeting  
- form to fill in

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# Trustees and Church Council

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We certify that the books, vouchers and information produced to enable the independent examination of our accounts to be conducted contain a full and correct record of our financial transactions and activities to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Please print name, signature & Date

*P. Sharp*

*P. SHARP*

*25/1/26*

Philip Sharp

*NATASHA SALVADOR*

*N. Salvador*

*25.1.26*

Natasha Salvador

*S. J. Donger*

*S. J. Donger*

*25 JAN 2025*

Simon Donger

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# Church Ministries

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## Springs Youth Group



Over the past year, Springs Youth has continued to grow both in number and in spiritual maturity. We meet on the first Sunday of every month, gathering shortly after the morning service for a time of study, fellowship, and a shared meal. We have also been blessed with several new members, including students from All Nations Christian College, whose presence and contributions have enriched the group greatly.

As in previous years, members of the youth have faithfully led studies covering a range of biblical themes as well as topics relevant to the lives of young people today. It has been encouraging to witness the youth deepen their understanding of Scripture, pray for one another, and build meaningful, supportive relationships within the group.

The young people have also continued to play an active and valuable role in the wider church community. This year, an increasing number of our youth have stepped forward to preach during Sunday services. Their willingness to serve in this way is a powerful testimony to their growth in the Lord, and their ministry has been a significant blessing to the congregation.

We give thanks to God for all He is doing in the lives of our young people. Our ongoing prayer is that they will continue to grow in faith, shine the light of Jesus in their daily lives, and boldly share His message of salvation. May they remain rooted in the Word and be strengthened as they contribute to building God's Kingdom here at Springs Christian Fellowship.

*Christina Baskaran*

## Sunday School

We remain committed to supplying a Sunday School but unfortunately there have been no children of Sunday School age regularly attending church.

Therefore, Sunday School remains temporarily suspended but will definitely be re-introduced when this situation changes.



*Simon Donger*

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## Worship

As a Church we are extremely blessed to have such a variety of worshipers and leaders providing a different style of music, leadership and sound that has the capacity to appeal to different ages ranges and cultures.

Most recently we have seen a growth in the number of people wanting to be involved in the Worship team, notably, various All Nations Students. The age range for our current team is between 20-35. I for one know the church is raising up some passionate and anointed leaders, notably Isabel, Chrystal and Cedrick who have now started leading.

Many thanks to brother Eric, who continues to lead Worship regularly with his group, alongside his other ministries.

We encourage individuality within our groups and love to incorporate the different cultures / nationalities in our Church, with us sometimes singing songs in a variety of languages.

Many thanks to Baskaran & Jack continue who regularly set up & soundboard every Sunday, and Baskaran kindly renewed some of our equipment, allowing for better sound quality & easier running of the tech desk. We welcome anyone who might be interested in learning this in order to help them. The same goes with the projector which a member of the worship team also operates each week.

A massive thank you from all of us!

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who is involved in the worship; from leading and playing to singing and operating our sound desk and projector. Preparing and taking part in the worship is a big responsibility and not something we take lightly. A lot of prayer, thought and practice goes in each time we worship with one another, so I want to express my appreciation for all your hard work and devotion and may we continue to praise and magnify the Lord together.

A huge thank you to the musicians for their faithful hard work and dedication.

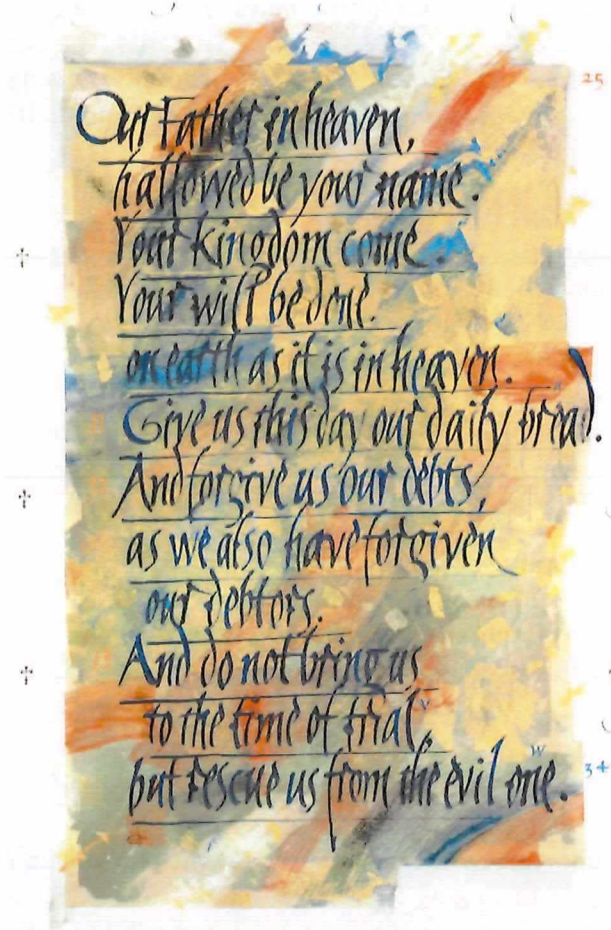
*Tash Salvador*

## Prayer

Prayer Meetings are held every Monday, 19 January 2026 @ 7 pm at the Church

### **Come when you can – leave when you must!**

We believe that prayer is the backbone of the church. The aim of this area of ministry is to see the fulfilment of Isaiah 56



***"For my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations"***

We need to be a church that prays together and develops this ministry to cover every area of ministry. I encourage you all to be part of this vision. Bring your good ideas and let us advance the kingdom of our God.

We continue to pray for a new Pastor and that Gods chosen person will be delivered to us.

*Brian Oxborough.*

## Faith Builders

Faith Builders has been running for nearly 11 years now. We meet once a fortnight on alternate Fridays and have from 6 to 12 people of all ages most weeks. We always start with a time of Praise and Worship, followed by a time where we share Prayer needs and requests, which we then Pray over, and for one another. Following this our Bible Study lasts from 30 to 40 minutes, before we finish off with a nice Supper, which Christina, Chris and I supply! Although I usually lead the Bible Studies, I have involved others in leading them as well, and everyone is always encouraged to be involved with comments or questions during the evening.

In the past year we have looked at the Lives of various People in the Bible, both Good and Bad, and looked at the many Scriptures that prove that Jesus Christ is GOD. We also had our annual BBQ, and Isabel organised a very enjoyable Quiz Night for us, which was great fun.

The meeting is also shown on Zoom and we often have 2 or 3 people joining us in that way.

We enjoy good Fellowship and the evenings are clearly greatly enjoyed as the hardest part is getting everyone to go home afterwards!

*Eric Hallsworth*

## Outreach



### Open Air Street & Residential Homes

We like to call our Street Outreach an **Open Air** as, for the past 10 years, we've tried to be a group of Christians having a Gospel Service outdoors. We have our own printed Song Book of over 60 Gospel hymns and choruses which we keep adding to with new favourites.

We sing by the side of the Bridge near where the footpath alongside the River starts, nearly opposite the Neelakash Indian restaurant. It's a good spot for singing and preaching as people walk past, and there are folk sat outside a cafe within hearing distance, as well as a bench close by, so we do have people stopping to listen for a while!

While some of us sing, others offer Tracts to passers-by and look for opportunities to talk to them, and the folk who stop to listen to the singing. I link some of the songs together with short Bible verses, one or two of our team share a short Gospel message, and we also offer to pray for folk, and there are folk who stop, and listen, and even accept prayer every week.

As well as the people who stop to listen, we've been amused as some have even taken their mobile phones out to film us while we've been singing!

We always enjoy ourselves, and I am very proud of and grateful for everyone who helps, because it is a team effort that couldn't happen without such support.

We also take Services every 2 or 3 months for two **Residential Homes**, one in Hertford (the Beane River Care Home) and one in Ware (Riverside). The Residents love our visits and join in cheerfully as we sing Favourite Hymns or, at Christmas, the always popular Carols. One of us gives a short Gospel talk and we always Pray for the Home, Residents and Staff. We also give a Salvation appeal at the end and have been delighted to see nearly 20 of the Senior Citizens - plus a couple of staff - respond to receive the Lord Jesus as their Saviour.

*Eric Hallsworth*