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Our dear Prayer Partners

As we approach Christmas and the start of a New Year we want to send you our Christmas Greetings and give thanks to God for this joyous season. We will also be reflecting on the 25 years (this trust was first set up in 1984!) we have been supported by you in this way. We are so grateful for your interest and prayerful support for this ministry as we seek to respond to the many opportunities that God is opening to us. We hope that this newsletter will be helpful to you in your discipleship and in bringing you additional information about the mission field in which we are all involved.

State of the Nation

We are greatly concerned about the continuing deterioration in the moral and spiritual state of our nation. The enclosed paper from Cliff gives important information on the forces of change on the international scene as well as some of the things that are happening in Britain. An important part of our ministry is to inform Christians about these things so that the prayer life of the Church can be strengthened. If you are a member of a prayer group please share the things in this mailing with others in your group. Please let us know if they would like to be added to any of our mailing lists including to receive regular intercessory e-mail news.

May we also commend to you the regular **State of the Nation (SON) Update Messages** recorded by Cliff and sent out bi-monthly on audio tape and CD. We receive many letters of appreciation from those who listen to these Updates which not only give information about what is happening in the nation and on the international scene but also give a biblical perspective which is particularly helpful for preachers and teachers. Please look on our website for information on recent subjects that have been covered in the Update Messages and comments.

We have already intimated to existing subscribers that the trustees have authorised a £4 per annum increase across the board to meet rising costs (no increases have been sanctioned for at least four years). So the new rates for 6 issues (including postage and packing) are £25 for the UK, £27 for Europe and £34.50 for World/Airmail. It is now possible to take out a standing order to cover these costs and a special one is available on application on the Response Form.

We are particularly eager to see that these SON update messages reach those with leadership responsibilities in prayer groups, churches or other forms of ministry. If you are in leadership or you are a preacher or you have any problem in covering the cost of

these Update Messages please do let us know as we have some bursaries available to help those in ministry.

We continue to coordinate the work of the **State of the Nation Coordinating Group** which usually meets in the World Prayer Centre in Birmingham. The group next meets on **3rd December** when they will be reviewing the year and seeking the Lord for what he is saying to the nation in 2010 which will inevitably be a year of decision with a General Election and the continuing critical financial situation. We are talking with the Archbishop of Canterbury and other church leaders about the national situation and plans for next year.

We are encouraged to hear news from around the country of the increasing level of prayer. At Moggerhanger Park we have held **Prayer Days** on Saturday 10th October and Saturday 28th November. We are planning an extra special **New Year Prayer and Vision Day on Saturday 9th January 2010**. This will be from 10.30 am to 3.30 pm. Coffee and a warm welcome will be waiting for you in the Garden Room from 10.00 am. Bring your sandwiches or you can place an order for sandwiches on arrival. Make this a priority to come and join with the Moggerhanger Park community for a time of seeking the Lord, prayer and worship, at the beginning of a decisive year. We believe it will be a year of evangelism and outreach that could be a turning point in the nation; so please make every effort to come and join with us on 9th January - letting us know (though not essential).

Heal our Land

Heal our Land, the interactive biblical music event, which was launched here on 12 September (copies of the report are available on the Response Form), will go on tour during 2010. Before the tour begins there will be at least three **Regional Promotional Events**. The first of these will be in the **Emmanuel Centre, Marsham Street Westminster London on Thursday 14th of January 2010**. This will be an evening event with refreshments available from 6.30pm and the presentation will actually begin at 7.00pm. This is a promotional event primarily intended for leaders, but we are also inviting any of our supporters in the Greater London area who would like to come and hear this preview and help us to commend it to the churches. Do put the date in your diary and we will let you know about reservations by Premier Radio who are supporting and promoting Heal Our Land.

A second Promotional Presentation will be held at the **Liverpool Lighthouse Centre on Saturday 23rd January 2010**. Leaders or their representatives from around North West England are invited

to come to this preview. It will give an opportunity to hear the choir and the new songs as well as to hear some of the script and get a 'feel' of the impact of the event. This will be at 5.30pm to 7.30pm in the Liverpool Lighthouse, Oakfield Road, Anfield, L4 0UF. Reservations can be made by telephoning 0151 476 2342 or e-mailing Margaret.henry@limgroup.org.uk.

A third regional promotional event will be held in either **Birmingham** or **Leicester** probably on **16 January** and Syd and Liz and the team will also be travelling to smaller towns and city events during January and February. Details will be posted on the HOL website <http://www.healourlanduk.com> or you can ring Jackie Barber in the office for more details. All these events will be in preparation for three or four major two week events around the country during the summer season.

Jimmy and Carol Owens have been very active in helping the Heal Our Land Team to prepare and revise the musical script and Denis and Lloyd Wade together with Liz Doyle have been busy writing new songs, recruiting singers and rehearsing the choirs.

Jimmy and Carol Owens have also written what we believe is a really great book on prayer. Cliff has contributed a couple of chapters to it and Monica has been editing the text and preparing it for publication. The book will be called HEAL OUR LAND and will be published in January 2010 at £9.99 and we pray it will be used mightily to facilitate prayer for these events. We strongly recommend this book to you. It will be distributed by our Ministry and advance copies can be ordered now.

Office Developments

After much planning the office reorganisation to give more room for an expanding FMI and an upgrade of desks for everyone has now taken place and the new ambience is being thoroughly appreciated. We give thanks to one of our prayer partners who has gifted a colour laser printer to the ministries and for others who have promised to help with archiving the records of the ministries and the material we want to keep.

Ministries Open Day

It was a glorious day on September 12 when we had a number of outdoor marquees - one especially for the launch of Heal Our Land where we were able to have presentations from all the ministries. Visitors looked over the house, talked to staff, saw the plans for, and walked in, the grounds, visited the Library as well as enjoyed barbecues and had a lovely day of fellowship together.

Library and Volunteers

During the Open Day, run by a number of volunteers, we also made available to visitors a large number of books given to the Library which were surplus to their requirements. Currently there are some 8,000 plus books in the system - but we still need help with cataloguing further books - and there are plans to relocate the Library to a more permanent venue during the coming year. We have good links with some newly formed colleges who are

anxious to take any books surplus to our requirements to start to stock their libraries - and we are always looking for other 'good homes' if you have any ideas. We are always grateful for voluntary help - of any kind - please contact joyce.giles@contemporaryministry.com in the first instance if you feel able to respond.

New Books and Resources since July

In addition to the 'HEAL OUR LAND' book mentioned above and other resources specially prepared for Heal Our Land we are gathering and distributing a number of resources for general ministry. You will see some of these in the new 2010 Supplementary Resources Catalogue enclosed. They include the **free CD of 'The Lost Children'** which we would like to disseminate widely plus a number of DVDs of television programmes and teaching events and CDs of other teaching given both at Moggerhanger and around the country. Our thanks go to Portsmouth Christian Fellowship, Billinge Family Church, Genesis Television and Highway Solutions for making this possible. The Supplementary Catalogue also shows a number of other publications we have not been able to publicise before and includes some interesting books - some of which you may like to order for Christmas!! We will do our best to get them to you in time. Remember that we do have available even more books - some of them in small quantities - so take advantage by requesting lists of limited quantity books available in an e-mail to jackie.warren@candministries.org.uk.

We are giving advance notice of the publication in April 2010 of a book Cliff is currently writing entitled '**UNBREAKABLE LOVE**' and subtitled '*The Love of God in the Message of the Prophets*'. Advance orders can be placed for this on the accompanying order form.

Finances and Staffing

We work very closely with our sister organisation CCM - and with other ministries at Moggerhanger and support them financially, actively and in prayer. C and M Ministries will be managing all the resources for Heal Our Land. CCM manages the central administration for all the events next year. Our special appeal for help this time is for Heal Our Land - which we will pass on to CCM - so please be generous.

Sally and Jackie W, helped by Paul on finance, carry the day to day contact with you all - please remember them in your prayers.



on behalf of the Trustees and staff

NB In this issue we are including not only a leaflet from Family Matters Institute and news from the other Ministries at Moggerhanger on a separate sheet, but we have also been asked to deviate from our usual policy and include a leaflet on Lent Courses which we are sure you will find interesting. The resources York Ministries are offering look good so please contact them directly for these.

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