

Northampton
Umbrella Fair.
August 7th, 2010

Green Pastures

July
2010

We'll be there

The Umbrella Fair is on and our application for a plot has been accepted, so thanks for your prayers on that matter. So, to quote the chorus:

"We'll be there, we'll all be there
On that bright and glorious day"

Well, we trust that the 7th will be that anyway! It's only 3 weeks away. Please **PRAY** for the outreach, for safety, good weather and opportunities to speak with many people about their soul's great need.

As with last year we will be using the gazebo and caravan for accommodation as that worked well last year. The displays will be the same as last year and we will be using the 'Northampton Life Landmarks' as our lead tract but will have a considerable range of other tracts, literature and CD's available as well.

Can you help?

There was one area last year where we feel that improvements could be made, that is how to grab the attention of children. Last year we had a quiz and a colouring competition, but these didn't make a significant impact. Have you any thoughts on different activities? If so PLEASE DO let us know ASAP.

WE SOW THE good seed

That is all we are called to do, prayerfully, fearlessly but sensitively and then leave the rest to God's gracious Holy Spirit to do His work, in His own good time - as He did in the case of John.

He came to the tent first in 2006; he noted that the people manning the tent were 'different', very friendly toward him. Later, when the council announced that they would be charging in 2007 he said he wouldn't be back at the festival. However he did return, to the festival and the tent and had conversations with some of the workers and went away. 2008 he was back again and conversed with Richard Collings, Stan Burditt and others. He was given a copy of the free book 'Taming the Tiger' and was challenged again to come to hear the Gospel at Osborne Road where Richard had agreed to stay on and preach.

He started reading the book and stayed up till

3am till he finished it. He came to the Gospel Meeting. He was touched by the friendliness and kindness of the saints at Osborne Road and kept coming back to the Gospel and other meetings without any commitment being made.

In April 2010 he came to Gospel Meetings Stephen Clegg was having at Spencer Bridge Road. As he listened he realised that his belief that he had to do something to gain salvation was shattered as Steve preached that it was not 'do something' but 'believe and trust'. John 'saw the light' and trusted Christ as Saviour. He had to go straight to the meeting at Osborne Road to tell them the great news of his new life, and he continues to attend the meetings to this day.

He tells how - "I was walking along the shops and realised that I was smiling. I thought, people will think that I am stupid if they see me smiling. Then I thought, no! it's not me that is stupid, it's them, because they haven't got what I've got"

This should encourage us to do what we can - sow the seed.

Are you free?

If you're not too busy on the day why not come along and help as we could be in need of some extra people. The event runs from 12 mid to about 6 pm, we'll be setting up from about 9.30am. There are no specific jobs as was at the Balloon Festival. Why not come and just be there. If you want any more information don't hesitate to contact the people noted below. If you can't be there please **PRAY**.

More and more of you are receiving our Prayer Letters via email and copying them for distribution in your assembly as required. This helps us a lot and does save us money. If you can help us in this way then please send your email address to Wyn Williams at:

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Alternatively a copy of the Prayer Letter can be downloaded from the Spencer Bridge Road Gospel Hall website at www.thegospelhall.org.uk

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Please feel free to contact any of the above with any queries you may have or information you would like about "Green Pastures" and the outreach at the Umbrella Fair.

For tax paying individuals considering donating to the costs of the outreach please consider making use of Gift Aid - details from Wyn Williams.

And He said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

(Mark 16:15)