



Pastor Bob and Jeanne Claycamp's Year-End 2017 Poimen Newsletter

Our Vision is Three-Fold:

****Pastor of Calvary Chapel Exeter****

****Place British Leadership in Avenues of Ministry****

****Poimen Ministry Encouragement to Pastors and Wives in UK and Europe****

We have come to the end of another year here in jolly ole England. We are so very thankful to the Lord for your prayers and support over this past year. This newsletter will finish out the year over the last few months. May the Lord continue to pour out His grace and love upon you! Again, thank you for joining with us in this ministry endeavor.

OCTOBER

The end of October we invited a small team of students from the Bible College in Montebelluna, Italy to do some cleanup and maintenance on our church building. They painted, pulled weeds, shampooed carpets, did outreach on the street to the University students. They were such a blessing to our congregation. So glad they took the time to fly over from Italy.



We received great news about our rental of the church building! We now only pay £1 per year rent! But we are also responsible for the upkeep and repair of the building, which is almost 100 years old. So our first order of business is to repair a few of the windows which are in disrepair. We give thanks to the Lord for how He has helped us throughout our almost five years of ministry here in Exeter.



NOVEMBER

During the month of November I traveled to the US for about a week to attend the Int'l Pastors and Leaders Conference in California. Jeanne stayed back in Exeter. Because I was already in the states I was asked to teach at Calvary North Phoenix on Sunday morning. It's always a tremendous privilege to minister to the church I had spent 29 years serving.

The middle of November I had the opportunity to minister at Calvary Chapel Oxford. Jeanne and I stayed with a family northwest of Oxford in the Cotswolds area. These brethren in Oxford are dedicated to the Word of God and have a great love for one another. They have been a church for about 15 years.



The end of November we had a Christmas Solomon's Porch night with the University students. Because many of the students had never experienced trading 'white elephant gifts' the evening was alive with laughter, fun and getting to know one another. This group of University students are made up mostly of freshmen ('freshers') and we are developing relationships with them that will last through their University years.



DECEMBER

Jeanne had her annual Christmas High Tea at Reed Hall in the University of Exeter. This is something she likes to stage each year for the women. The singing, the sandwiches and tea, the message from the Word—all work to encourage and bless those ladies from two or three Calvary Chapel churches in the southwest.



A couple from our church has been doing street outreach in Exeter and Newton Abbot, a town about ½ hour south of Exeter. Several from our church joined them on the busy Christmas streets of Exeter on Saturday morning. They give out free Bibles to those who want them, as well as literature on the true meaning of Christmas. The Salvation Army band was playing in the background just a few stores down High Street.



This year Jeanne and I decided to spend Christmas with our children and grandchildren in Arizona and Colorado. Usually I try to schedule teaching opportunities during the furlough time. But the impression on our hearts was to just back away this time, rest and enjoy our family and friends in a more relaxed way. A family from Calvary Chapel North Phoenix offered a room in their home for us, as well as one of their vehicles during our two weeks in the Phoenix area.

Jeanne, though, was asked to teach at the Ladies Christmas Dessert at Calvary Chapel North Phoenix. The theme was 'The Thrill of Hope'. So many ladies gathered together for this event. Jeanne had the opportunity to see and fellowship with those whom she has known for years.



We will be flying out Christmas morning to Aurora, Colorado (in the Denver area) to spend our remaining time with our oldest son and his family. On Jan 10 we will fly out of Denver back to England and begin our 2018 journey of ministry.

GENERAL PRAYER REQUESTS

- ***pray for wisdom, courage and perspective in helping to train up British men and women for spiritual leadership
- ***pray for our physical health to stay stable and strong
- ***pray for additional new families to begin attending Calvary Chapel Exeter
- ***pray for additional University students to find their way to our church (and to the gospel!) and count it their home away from home.
- ***pray for British interns to come alongside us to help in the overall ministry here in the southwest
- ***pray for fresh vision for the coming years here in the Southwest of England
- ***pray we have no more visa changes for the next 3 months
- ***pray that we obtain our residency permit (indefinite leave to remain) as, Lord willing, we make application in 3 months!
- ***pray that the gospel message be spread over Exeter, as well as the entire southwest of England

~~***pray for a reliable dog-sitter for our 2-year-old Basset Hound EMMA LOU whilst we are away on furlough and ministry opportunities. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS. SHE IS BEING CARED FOR WHILE WE ARE GONE IN THE STATES.~~

Jeanne is posting frequent updates to her blogsite: <http://thepilgrimsheart.blogspot.com>. You can also hear the teachings I have been giving at Calvary Chapel Exeter at this link: <http://www.calvaryexeter.co.uk/teachings.html>

All Poimen support monies should be mailed to this address:

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Thanks again for taking the time to read our newsletter and to pray for us.

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