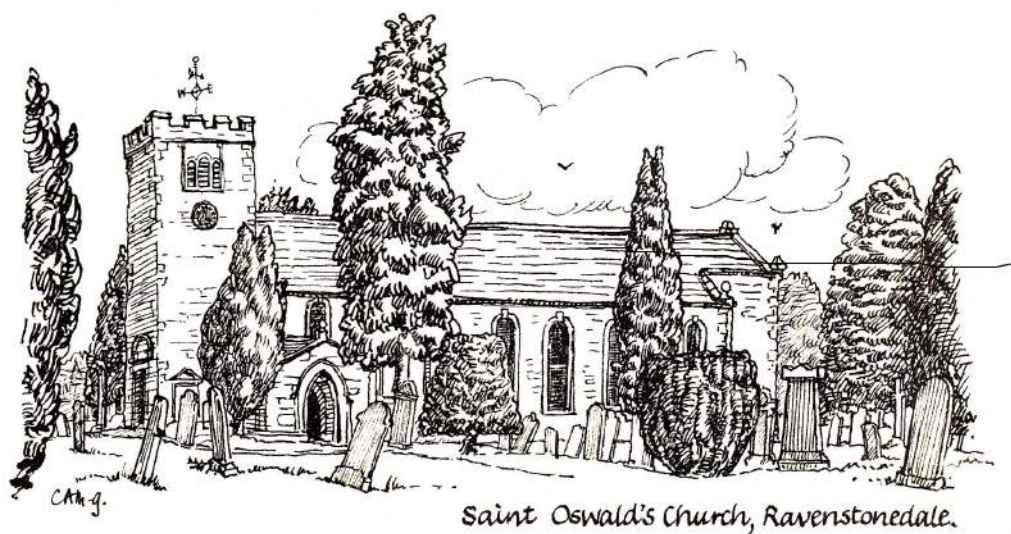
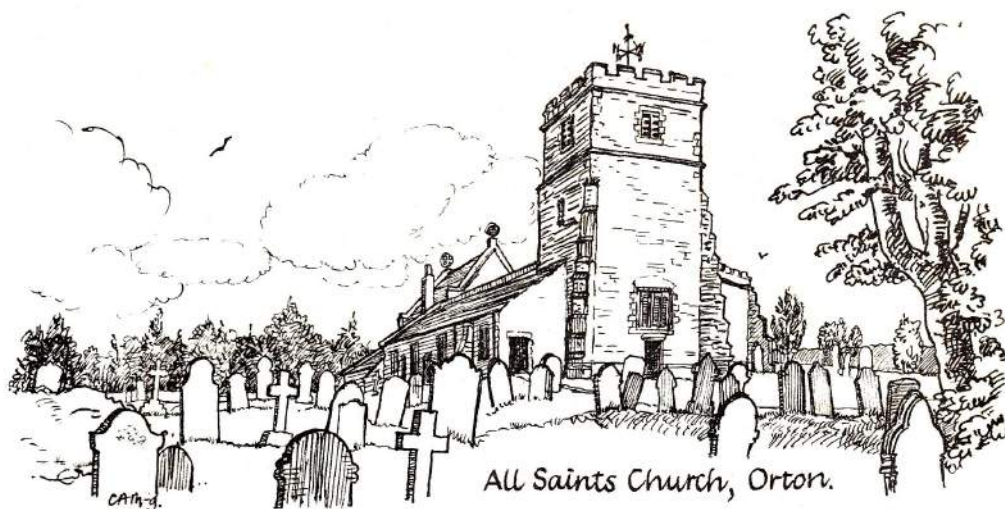


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## **A thought from the Vicarage**

*From the Revd. Beverley Lock*

The nights are drawing in and that means that there are new series on TV.

Of course many of us now do not watch the programme on TV at the time it goes out on air anyway. We watch 'on demand'; my mum talks of 'taping it' (despite the fact that the TV has a hard disc not a tape in it anymore!). We watch our chosen stories and films when it fits in with our life style, the demands on our individual lives; when we feel in the mood.

Twenty-first century life is far more individualistic than it was in the past. On the whole we do less and less at the same time, from the same 'platform' as other people. The chance of two of us turning up at the same bus stop having eaten the same breakfast cereal and watched the same film on TV last night are 'infinitesimal'. (As my old Maths Master used to say about calculus!)

We have come to the point when we resist fitting into other people's schedules. In fact some people have got to the point when they feel that they only put up with it at work because they are paid to. If it were not for the money they would not choose to put up with the inconvenience of turning up and doing what other people decided they had to do.

When it comes to leisure surely we want what we want when we want it. Seems only fair – we are paying for it, we are the customer, the consumer, and we

should get the service we deserve.

'Hold on!' I hear you say – 'we are not all like that. Some of us do far more at work than the hours we are paid to do'.

'What about the carers in our community – they give hours of their time and have to fit into the schedule and limitations of the person they care for all the time.'

Then there are the cries, 'There is Mrs....who is constantly giving her time at the drop in' or 'Mr...who did all that woodwork' or 'J.... she is always giving up the time she could be following her hobbies to help out at....'

The point of course is there. To 'love your neighbour as yourself' is counter-cultural. It goes back to our Judeo-Christian roots. It means not reducing everything to 'me only' but puts others alongside, giving up our own gratification for the sake of others'. Not demanding our comfort first.

Fact is in my experience of these communities there are many people who have done this for years and still do it. There are some who have not yet found the deep sense of fulfilment in putting themselves at the disposal of others and building something wonderful.

If you are one who would like to consider volunteering to help others this new academic year please give Rev. Sandra Ward a ring (015396 24125). She can put you in touch with those who need help in our community.

**NOTE** - The management committee of the *Link* regret that it is unable to distribute literature for other organisations. Articles received after the 13<sup>th</sup> may be held over until the following month.

**Cover picture:** Drawing by Caroline Metcalfe-Gibson

## Notes from The Herald, September, 1915

Another fine warm month, but some chilly nights too. Lot of good hay made in August. Wasps are a plague this year. A swarm of them stung a sheep to death (on its face) at Catterlen.

Orton was the venue for Thwaites' and Jackson's annual sale on Friday, 17<sup>th</sup>. 50 cattle and 500 sheep.

Greenholme's Mrs. Margaret Wilson (wife of William) left £1,378 gross, £977 net (value now - £78,160). A Head Teacher wanted for Greenholme Council School (female, certificated), £90 p.a. - £7,200 now. Apply to the County Education Committee, Kendal.

Gaisgill Wesleyan Chapel Anniversary on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> (service) and on Monday a lecture on General Booth. Over 100 partook of supper after the lecture.

Tebay Endowed School needs an Assistant Teacher (female, certificated - County Ed. Comm. Kendal!) One of Tebay's R.D. Councillors and Guardians of the Poor resigned: R.G. Parker. Council to co-opt. He was a farmer (R.G. Parker and Sons) - his annual livestock sale is at the Cross Keys Hotel, Tebay on Wed. 22<sup>nd</sup> September. The R.D.C. had two candidates forward for his seat two weeks later; Mr. J.W. Robinson, railway signalman and Mr. J. Capstick, railway goods guard. They elected Mr. Capstick.

Tebay's annual Store Stock Sale (mostly for Mr. Thomas Whitfield) is at the Cross Keys Hotel on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> at 12.30. Entries as at 4<sup>th</sup> September are 20 cattle and 100 sheep. Three farmers at Low Borrow Bridge held theirs on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup>. Died at Leagate, Tebay on 5<sup>th</sup>, William Dodd, yeoman late of Waskew Head. He was 75. One of the three soldier sons of Mr. and Mrs. William Ruddick, Mount Pleasant, is Sgt. Major Joseph Ruddick, slain this month. Earlier in the war he was invalided, recovered, now slain.

150 years ago, September, 1865:  
Tebay has grown since the arrival of the South Durham line. The railway

workers live in the new houses above the Station which replace the old dingy dwellings they had. Further north is the new School and Primitive Methodist Chapel now nearly completed.

September 1915 continued: Golden Jubilee of this Chapel - a big do. The report on Sat. 4<sup>th</sup> page 3 summarises the Chapel's history. It began with a travelling P.M. preacher, the Rev. George Stanfield before 1839, who one day was overtaken by nightfall and put up at Roundthwaite at Isabel Coupland's.

They got talking; she asked him to preach to her and her friends, which he did next day, thereby founding a fledgling meeting. In 1839 it met in Carlingill as well. They moved to Mr. Jackson's at Town Foot in 1842 and to Tebay proper in 1865. The three leading P.M. families there are the Jacksons, Whartons, Atkinsons. The Jubilee Weekend was 28<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> August, 1915. No news from Ravenstonedale.

**Thank you to Jeremy Godwin for the Notes.**

## A Christian Alphabet—An occasional series by Christopher Jenkin

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**Miracle:** "The day of miracles is past" used to be a common proverb; modern popular thinking would hold that it never existed, and that a "miracle" is by definition impossible. There is no denying that many miracles are recorded in both Old and New Testament. The most famous ones are those of Jesus - many involved healing, but others include calming a storm, turning water into wine, raising dead people to life, feeding thousands with a few loaves and fishes, etc. Some people have tried to remove these from the Gospel story, but the gaps left by such excisions would make much of the rest of the story of Jesus meaningless. Not only did he claim that the miracles were signs of God's presence and power, and therefore of his own divine authority (*John 10:38. 14:11*), but many of the healing miracles were the direct cause of the hostility of the Jewish religious leaders, because they took place on the Sabbath. If they didn't actually happen at all, what was the fuss about? The greatest miracle of all was his own resurrection. If that didn't happen either, then, insisted Paul, the whole Christian faith is meaningless and empty (*1 Corinthians 15: 14-19*). (However we are also warned in the New Testament against being deceived by miracles which are not from God but from evil spiritual forces (*e.g. Revelation 13:13*)). Finally it was clear that miracles did not cease with the death, resurrection or ascension of Jesus, but continued to be witnessed in the early church: there are many instances in the Book of Acts, and references to them in letters of Paul and James. There is no reason at all why the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Church should not expect to see miracles, for instance in healing ministry. The main factor resisting this is the sheer unbelief of our culture, which infects the church too; even Jesus, in his home town, was unable to do many miracles because of their unbelief (*Matthew 13:58*).

**Money:** Money has been part of human society for thousands of years, and though in the early parts of the Old Testament wealth was measured by such things as cattle, gold and jewels, and beautiful clothes, by New Testament times cash was a normal part of life. Even the poorest had coins to put in the offering chest. The common saying that "Money is the root of all evil" is a serious misquotation of Paul, who actually wrote "The love of money is a root of all kinds of evil" - a totally different assertion. Some Christians regard money as intrinsically tainted and unclean, and many preachers are frightened of preaching about it in case people are offended. But Jesus spoke frequently about money - about right and wrong attitudes towards it, and about giving of money to God. There are whole chapters in the writings of Paul about money and especially the Christian's obligation to give it to God's work. Why should it be a "no-go" area for modern preachers? Every part of the life of a believer must be made subject to Christ's will - our relationships, our words, our deeds, our values and priorities - and that certainly includes our money. We must not let the values of the materialistic, secular world determine our thinking and behaviour. Christians regard the giving of their money to God - whether to their local church or to other Christian causes - as part of their discipleship. Many take the Biblical "tithe" - i.e. 10% of one's income - as their guide to how much they should give.

# SUNDAY SERVICES IN OUR CHURCHES FOR SEPTEMBER 2015

## Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September

## The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Liturgical colour Green

|                                |                |                                                 |                            |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
|                                | <b>Lessons</b> | Proverbs 22.1-2,8,9,22,23; James 2.1-10,14-17   |                            |
| ORTON                          | <b>9.30am</b>  | <b>Holy Communion CW</b> Sandra Ward            | <b>Readers</b>             |
| <b>Sidesman</b> Andy Glanville |                | <b>Prayers</b> David Aspden                     | Andy Glanville, Sarah Ward |
| TEBAY                          | <b>10.30</b>   | <b>Together for the Methodists' Anniversary</b> |                            |
| RAVENSTONEDALE                 | <b>10.00am</b> | <b>All Age Worship</b> Fran and Tim             | Tom Reeves, Jane Parsler   |

## Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September

## The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Liturgical colour Green

|                              |                |                                        |                               |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
|                              | <b>Lessons</b> | Proverbs 1.20-33; James 3.1-12         |                               |
| ORTON                        | <b>8.30am</b>  | <b>Holy Communion BCP</b> Chris Jenkin | <b>Readers</b>                |
| <b>Sidesman</b> David Aspden |                |                                        | John Dunning                  |
| TEBAY                        | <b>4.00pm</b>  | <b>2@4</b> Ronnie and Ian Elliott      |                               |
| RAVENSTONEDALE               | <b>10.00am</b> | <b>Holy Communion CW</b> Ian Elliott   | Fran Parkinson, Tim Parkinson |

## Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September

## The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Liturgical colour Green

|                             |                |                                          |                          |
|-----------------------------|----------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
|                             | <b>Lessons</b> | Proverbs 31.10-31; James 3.13-4.3,7-8a   |                          |
| ORTON                       | <b>11.00am</b> | <b>Family Service</b> Sandra Ward & team |                          |
| <b>Sidesman</b> Mary Jenkin |                |                                          |                          |
| TEBAY                       | <b>10.30am</b> | <b>Joint Harvest at Chapel</b>           | <b>Readers</b>           |
| RAVENSTONEDALE              | <b>9.15am</b>  | <b>Morning Prayer</b> Sandra Ward        | Hilary Law, Richard Best |

## Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September

## The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Liturgical colour Green

|                                |                |                                         |                                  |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                | <b>Lessons</b> | Esther 7.1-6,9,10;20-22 ; James 5.13-20 |                                  |
| ORTON                          | <b>9.30am</b>  | <b>Morning Prayer BCP</b> Chris Jenkin  | <b>Readers</b>                   |
| <b>Sidesman</b> Andy Glanville |                | <b>Prayers</b> Laura Wren               | Jackie Huck, Andy Glanville      |
| TEBAY                          | <b>11.15am</b> | <b>Holy Communion</b> Chris Jenkin      |                                  |
| RAVENSTONEDALE                 | <b>6.00pm</b>  | <b>Evensong</b> Diane Nicholson         | Clare Stafford, A.Metcalf-Gibson |

## Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October

## The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Liturgical colour Green

|                             |                |                                                                         |                                |
|-----------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|                             | <b>Lessons</b> | Job 1.1;2.1-10; Hebrews 1.1-4;2.5-12                                    |                                |
| ORTON                       | <b>10.30am</b> | <b>Harvest Holy Communion</b> Sandra Ward                               | <b>Readers</b>                 |
| <b>Sidesman</b> Jim Milburn |                | <b>Prayers</b> Angela Milburn                                           | Iris Wilding, Susan Basnett    |
| TEBAY                       | <b>10.30am</b> | <b>Harvest Praise</b> with Methodists, Reg Capstick & Rosemary Campbell |                                |
| RAVENSTONEDALE              | <b>10am</b>    | <b>All Age Worship</b> Fran & Tim Parkinson                             | Diana Ward Rope, Kathy Trimmer |

# SUNDAY SERVICES IN OUR CHAPELS FOR SEPTEMBER 2015

|                   |                         | 6 <sup>th</sup>                          | 13 <sup>th</sup>   | 20 <sup>th</sup>             | 27 <sup>th</sup>          |
|-------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Tebay             | 10.30 a.m.              | D Marston CA<br>6.30pm Conxn Svce at NoL | H Morton T         | W Capstick HF                | P Dew HC                  |
| Orton             | 10.30a.m.<br>6.30 p.m.  | To Tebay CA<br>Conxn Svce at NoL         | L Law<br>D Marston | P Dew HC<br>D Thackray       | J Fox HF FS<br>K Speck HF |
| Newbiggin-on-Lune | 10.30 a.m.<br>6.30 p.m. | T Dent<br>Conxn Svce at NoL              | P Dew B<br>*       | C Capstick<br>LA             | J Morton<br>*             |
| Ravenstonedale    | 2.00 p.m.<br>6.30 p.m.  | LA<br>Conxn Svce at NoL                  | P Dew<br>*         | A Stobart HF<br>A Stobart HF | J Morton<br>*             |

**Vineleaf Fellowship: Every Sunday in Orton Market Hall, 10.30 a.m.**

## **A VIEW FROM TEBAY**

By Reg Capstick, Reader Emeritus

On TV, on the Radio and in newspapers recently there has been a great deal about "Space". My knowledge of Science and Mathematics is rudimentary, to say the least, but while reading one of the newspaper articles I was reminded of a Feature in a copy of The Reader some four or five years ago. It was entitled, "When I consider thy heavens...", written by someone from the Faraday Institute for Science and Religion at Cambridge. He quoted several Bible passages, including Isaiah 40 (*"Lift your eyes and look to the heavens - who created all these?"*), Job 38 (*"Can you bring forth the constellations in their seasons, or lead out the Bear with its cubs?"*), and John 1 (*"In the beginning was the Word... Through him all things were made"*), as well as Johannes Kepler, Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Charles Darwin. I can't claim to have understood all he was saying, but I did grasp that the more we learn about the Universe the more likely we are to see a purpose in the creation of it. Rather than destroying my faith in God, such findings as these strengthen it.

Meanwhile, here on earth in Tebay, we have less universal matters to contemplate - such as, will Lunesdale United find any success without their coach of the last few years; will St. James' find another organist to replace Elizabeth, who sadly found she had to resign; and will the Westmorland FA manage to keep going without one Council member who has resigned / retired - this last question is a personal one and I have no doubt that the FA will manage well enough without me!

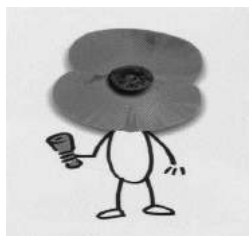
Changes are afoot in the Deanery and Diocese, some of which will have an effect on us in Tebay, but I am sure the future of St. James' is secure for the time being. New groups of younger people are coming forward to help us "old

'uns" and they are bringing much-needed new ideas.

I have been asked to bring forward two matters with which we hope someone will be able to help us. One of them is to do with anybody who can help out by playing the church organ occasionally at Sunday services. We have one or two volunteers already but others would be greatly appreciated - see Beverley, Sandra or any PCC member. The second is aimed at anyone who can provide help on Tebay's stall at the monthly Farmers' Market in Orton Church. In this case please contact either Linda Garrick or Rosemary Campbell.

I hope to see some of you in church from time to time or have a chat with you over coffee/tea in The Hub on a Monday morning. Meanwhile, as the late, great Dave Allen used to say, "May your God go with you!"

## **Lest We Forget**



**Please find at least 3 hours to collect for this year's Poppy Appeal**

**24<sup>th</sup> October to 7<sup>th</sup> November**

**Contact: Graham Cave 24321 by 11<sup>th</sup> October**

**Help needed at Westmorland Services and Ravenstonedale**

## **Tebay Community Library and Drop In—in the Hub, St. James' Church**

Every Monday morning,  
10.00am - 12.00pm

Refreshments—  
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All ages welcome

## **Tebay Methodist Church**

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Every Tuesday

Games, crafts &  
refreshments

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Tebay Methodist Church  
**130<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary Service**  
**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September**  
**10.30 a.m.**  
**Preacher: Donald Marston**  
**Soloist: David Baker**

Lunch following service

**WELCOME TO ALL**

Tebay Methodist Church  
**Ploughman's Lunch**  
**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September**  
**12.0 - 2.0 p.m.**  
**Come and Enjoy!**

Tebay Methodist Church  
**Harvest Festival Celebrations**  
**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September**  
**10.30 a.m.**  
**Preacher: Wilf Capstick**  
**COME AND GIVE THANKS**

# Tebay

## Toddlers dancing in the aisles at St. James', Tebay !!!



What a lovely time we had at our well-supported 2@4 service and barbecue on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July. Ages ranged from babies to 80+ ! We bravely invited the whole community to join us – it's so good to get together like this – but we might have been struggling if everyone had turned up!

Our time of praise in church was fun – a 'rapped' Lord's Prayer, toddlers dancing and playing instruments while



we sang some lively songs, and the readings (which they'd not seen previously!) beautifully read by Ewan Foster and Katie Lewis. The food was yummy and

eaten with enthusiasm, and the sun shone – what more could we ask?! Big thank-you to God and to all who came along and helped.

**2@4 in September is on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> at 4.00 pm**

A service with children in mind but open to – and enjoyed by – all ages. Do come and join us.

## Tebay Church Fundraising Group

Following on from the public meeting held in May about the possible closure of St James' Church, one of the issues that was raised at the meeting was that there was little representation from the younger generation. Given the demographic at the meeting it was questioned how long until a similar situation would once again face St James', even if closure was avoided for the time being.

As a result of this, some research was done on behalf of Tebay PCC, the upshot of which is the formation of a group dedicated to raising funds to keep the Church open. Many people, both from the research group, and from those at the meeting in May, were not necessarily concerned with going to Church each and every Sunday for their own reasons, but would hate to see the Church closed and lost forever. Additionally, the Church has historical importance to the Village of Tebay given its links to the Railway heritage of the Village, as testified by the Tebay in Steam exhibition at the back of St James'.

The fundraising group which has been put together is separate from the Friends of Tebay Church which is set up to look after the physical fabric of the building and develop the Hub as an area for use. The fundraising group is concerned with keeping the Church open for use as a Church and it is important that the two groups remain separate.

If you want to join us, our next meeting will be on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 7.30pm** in Tebay Sports & Social Club: you'd be very welcome. We have also organised some fundraising events:

- a half-term activity afternoon, hot dog tea, and disco on **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October**
- a Christmas Afternoon Tea & Christingle on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December.**

We'd love to see you there!

The fundraising group can only succeed in its aim to help keep St James' open if people support it. We all have a part to play, whether it is joining the organising committee, offering talents or skills, or simply attending events to support the ongoing work to keep the Church open for all of the Village.

If you want to find out more, have any fundraising ideas or are interested in joining us, please email [rachel.louis@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:rachel.louis@hotmail.co.uk)

*Rachel Louis*

# Tebay School

It is not easy for a school to produce a page for Link in the middle of the summer holidays!  
So we have reproduced here the card which Tebay School sent to the "Open The Book"  
team at the end of the summer term.



To the "Open the  
Book crew"

Thank you so  
much for taking us  
with your stories  
from Tebay  
Primary and  
Eris

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**A Big Thank You.  
Primrose Cottage Coffee Day  
11<sup>th</sup> July 2015**



Tina, Allison and Jo would like to thank everyone who helped out on the day by either baking cakes and donating items for the tombola etc. Also a big thank you to those that turned out on the day to help on the stalls.

It was lovely to meet the locals for a chat and brew and hopefully we can see more of you next year and raise even more. The grand sum of £400 was raised on the day and this was donated to Tebay Senior Citizens' Fund and the Royal British Legion, Tebay.

We look forward to our next coffee day and hopefully will see more of you for a chat and a brew next year.  
Thanks once again.

Tina,  
Allison  
and Jo



**The Future of Tebay Church**

On May 13<sup>th</sup> this year there was an open meeting for the parishes of Orton and Tebay.

As was reported in the June Link there was support for the two parishes to come back together as one parish of Orton and Tebay. The advantage of this being, as each PCC is a separate charity, combining the two cuts down on the numbers of legal officers that are needed to continue to function as a legal entity.

The PCCs of Tebay and Orton have met and agreed this.

The 'Friends of Tebay Church' have also met and have been able to assure both PCCs that with the support they have been pledged and the fund raising they hope to do the fabric of the church is safe for at least the next two years.

In addition and very excitingly a group of younger folk from Tebay have pledged to work as a sub-committee of the PCC to raise funds to keep the church open and thriving in Tebay. (See the separate article)

Consequently the PCCs of Orton and Tebay have asked me to write to the Mission and Pastoral Committee of Appleby Deanery to ask that the necessary legal consultations now take place.

It all sounds very technical, I know!

At the end of the day the future of Tebay church building is secured for at least two years. After that the new joint PCC will look at the situation again. If the building can continue to be kept warm and waterproof by the fund raising efforts outlined above and there are people wanting to use it as a church for worship – then the future looks bright.

In some ways it is the old question....which comes first, the chicken or the egg?

Do we work together with our friends and build stronger and stronger relationships and then, when we are ready, put the legal framework in place?

Or do we put the legal framework in place first? This frees us so we no longer need to replicate jobs and we can get on with working together more closely.

In addition I hope that there will be a group of Tebay people, both Methodist and Anglican, who will meet together in the near future and look to other ways we can work together specifically in Tebay village.

I believe God is doing some very exciting things in this area.

Thank you to all who have prayed and worked so hard that we may pass on to those who come after us a wonderful Christian faith.

*Beverley Lock*

**'Twinkles'**

**Tue 9.30—11.30 a.m. at Tebay Methodist Hall  
All welcome with or without children**

**Voluntary run playgroup—Activities changed on a weekly basis including Painting, playdough, drawing, cutting, dressing up, slides, bikes, music, reading.**

**For more information contact  
Amanda James - 07733 180305**

## Orton

### Orton Farmers' Markets

The next three of these popular markets will be:

12<sup>th</sup> September  
10<sup>th</sup> October  
14<sup>th</sup> November

Join us for refreshments and a chat in a friendly atmosphere.

In August we raised

**£631.90**

to help us to continue God's work at All Saints.

Many thanks for your continued support.

### **Altar Flowers in All Saints' Church, Orton**

There are spaces on the Altar Flower Rota.

Please add your name to the list if you would like to put flowers at the Altar during the year.

You may like to give flowers in memory of a loved one - perhaps on the anniversary of their birth or their death - or to mark some other special time; if you wish, the name could be written on a card by the flower vase or pedestal, and also on that week's Sunday Notice Sheet.

If you would like to use the brass flower vases you can find them under the Altar.

The Flower Arrangers list can be found on the Notice Board at the back of the church.

For further information please consult Angela Milburn - tel. 015396 24382.

### Orton "Drop-In"

Every Wednesday  
from 10.30-noon in the cosy  
schoolroom at Orton Chapel.  
Coffee/cakes and a chat  
with friends.  
Everyone welcome!

## ALL SAINTS' HARVEST FESTIVAL

**Harvest Service:**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October**

**Harvest Supper: 7.00 p.m.,**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> October**

Further information in next issue

### Diocese of Carlisle's central administrative offices to move

The Diocese of Carlisle is to relocate its administrative offices from Church House on West Walls, Carlisle, to an office block on Friargate in Penrith, which the diocese already owns. It is expected that the relocation will happen before the end of August 2016.

The Rev Martin Jayne, chair of the Diocesan Board of Finance, said: "Inspections have shown a significant outlay is needed in order to simply maintain the current Church House office building. This does not take into account further substantial investment which would be needed in order to upgrade the building's telecommunications and heating system and reduce its carbon footprint. We also want to provide good, modern working conditions for our staff.

"Against this the DBF has had to carefully balance the fact that we have a building in Penrith, which has been vacant for more than a year and which we must invest in to make it suitable for the letting market.

"As the body responsible for the management of the diocese's finances, the decision taken represents the most effective and efficient use of resources as we look to ensure we do all we can to fund our mission-focused work."

Seventeen members of staff currently work out of Church House on a regular basis. All have been consulted and the DBF is to offer them supplementary travel expenses for two years after the relocation.

In reaching the decision members of the DBF also recognised that a move to Penrith will provide a more centrally-based administrative hub for the diocese, with Penrith served well by road and rail links.

## St Michael's Shap Village Show Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September Shap Memorial Hall

*Schedules available from  
Anderson's Newsagents and The  
Old Courthouse*

Entries must be submitted by  
8.30am-9.45am  
Entries 20p each (max of £5) -  
Children's entries FREE

Show open to Public at  
12.30pm  
**AUCTION at 2.30pm**

### **Albatrosses, Sea-Lions and Penguins - Wildlife of the Falkland Islands**

An illustrated talk by Stephen Mott  
on **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September** at Shap  
Memorial Hall - 7.30 for 8.

£6 for individuals, £15 for family,  
including refreshments and booklet.  
Pay at the door.

Proceeds to Shap Memorial Hall.

The talk includes still and movie  
photography.

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September**  
Pies, Peas Puddings & Poetry,  
Green Room, Shap Memorial Hall  
7pm (see posters for details)

**Mobile Library Van**  
The Library Van will visit Orton  
from 9.30 to 10.30 a.m. on  
**September 8<sup>th</sup>  
October 6<sup>th</sup>**

### **Orton Surgery**

We are open from 9.15 am  
to 10.30am on Tuesdays and  
from 4.00pm to 5.45pm on  
Thursdays.  
There will be NO surgery or pill  
collection on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September  
or Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September.

## Orton Methodist Chapel Harvest Thanksgiving



**Join us on Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> September**

**10.30am – Family Service** (with coffee afterwards)  
led by John Fox

**6.30pm – Evening Thanksgiving Service**  
led by Keith Speck

**Everyone welcome**

## ORTON MANOR COURT TRIENNIAL MEETING, 6<sup>th</sup> JULY 2015 Abridged Minutes

- 1. Present:-** 18 Freeholders. and one non-voting Visitor.
- 2. Apologies** from 6 freeholders.
- 3. Minutes** of the 2014 AGM held were agreed unanimously.
- 4. Chairman's Remarks:** Kyle Blue thanked the Committee which had met six times, the other officers, and two resigning Committee members, Sandra Ward and Judy Dunford. He reported the present position of the Diamond Jubilee information board, designed by Pauline Henderson, to be mounted on a stone plinth in front of the toilets.
- 5. Treasurer's report:** Richard Percival reported Income of £2,552.30, Expenditure of £872.04 giving a surplus of £1,680.26, and a closing balance of £11,757.54.
- 6. Steward's Report:** Wendy Higgins added her thanks to Sandra Ward, who had worked valiantly to revive Orton Manor Court when it was on the verge of collapse nine years ago; and to Judy Dunford, now unwell, who had done sterling work on conservation of verges and wild flowers.
- 7. Election:** The whole Committee has to resign at the Triennial Meeting, and two members, Sandra and Judy, did not want to stand for re-election. The remaining members were standing for re-election: Kyle Blue, Mac Coates, Stephen Dunning, Wendy Higgins, Jackie Huck, Christopher Jenkin, Peter Knowles, Allan Mawson, Richard Percival, Ernie Potter, Marion Robinson and Lanty Wharton. These were re-elected *en bloc*. Two further candidates, Mark Mawson and Andrew Bromley, were elected.
- 8. Amendment to Constitution:** Wendy proposed a clause to be added to the Constitution of Orton Manor Court: "**Every Committee member shall attend at least two committee meetings in each year between Annual Meetings. Anyone who fails to do so will forfeit his/her place on the Committee and at the next Annual Meeting there will be an election to fill the vacancy.**" This was carried *nem. con*.
- 9. Other Matters Raised:** Adrian Todd, Eden District Councillor, raised the clearing of the beck along East Road which a team had cleared in February which had considerably eased the flow. The Environment Agency has no responsibility for minor waterways such as this beck, but only for larger rivers. Further work should be carried out between April and August. Cumbria County Council said it could be done so long as permission was given by the owner. He asked if Orton Manor Court owned this part of the beck. As OMC had been responsible for keeping the beck clear for many years, ownership could be assumed, and the meeting agreed to give the necessary permission.  
There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.00 p.m.  
The next meeting of the Committee is on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 p.m.**

## ORTON CHAPEL NATIVITY EXHIBITION

We are going to have a display of "Nativity Sets" which will be held during the week leading up to Christmas. If anyone has any interesting items which we can use/borrow for display would you please see Maureen Ewin.

Tel: 015396 24305.

Email: [moewin@btinternet.com](mailto:moewin@btinternet.com)

## It shouldn't happen to a vet!



**7pm at Orton Market Hall  
Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> September**

A talk by  
**Chris Swift**  
of Frame, Swift and Partners,  
Veterinary Surgeons in Penrith

Hear about Chris' work as a vet  
in the Eden Valley  
and his interests including walking, mountain  
climbing, family and his faith.

### Refreshments

For further details contact Rachel Woof –  
015396 24372

Orton Methodist Chapel

## UGANDA

While the group from All Saints is visiting our link parish of All Saints, Kasese, in November we are hoping to visit two other church-based organisations in the same area of Uganda – Kisiizi Christian Hospital (which provides health care for people over a wide area of SW Uganda) and the 'Chilli Children' Project in Rukungiri (which teaches families with disabled children to grow chillis – and then helps with the marketing – as a way of raising funds to support their children).

On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September George and Doreen Wadsworth (who spend several months each year helping at Kisiizi) and Pat Gilmer (founder of the Chilli Children Project) will be visiting us to introduce the two organisations to members of our group. Anyone else who would be interested in hearing about these two life-changing ventures would be very welcome to join us. The meeting will be in The Hub at St James' Church, Tebay, from 3.00 to 5.00 pm.

*Ian and Ronnie Elliott*

### MORE FROM UGANDA

*Email from Robert Zziwa, former Lay Reader of All Saints, Kasese, now doing Ordination Training at Bishop Barham Theological College, Kabale.*

Rev Chris and Mary, I am writing to inform you that the college chose me with another theology student from Kinkiizi diocese (whom we are studying with) to go for a missionary ministry to North Karamoja diocese in Kotido district in the north-eastern region of Uganda. This region has a population of around 966,245 people and of which 75% is traditional religion while only 25% is Christianity. This place in fact is somewhat hard to reach and also it is semi-arid in climate. We are going there from 30<sup>th</sup> August to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2015. This will be part of our course field work - one month field work will be done in Karamoja and three months in our diocese.

I am requesting your prayers for the following:-

1. God to equip us with the real message which will bring impact to the Karamojong.
2. More souls to be fetched to His heavenly kingdom and embrace Christ.
3. Discipleship work should leave a self-propagating, self-sustaining and self-governing church.
4. God to encourage and strengthen us in this new culture, environment and ministry.
5. God's favour and good health upon us.

Hoping that you will also inform the brethren at All Saints, Orton, to pray for us during this ministry in Karamoja because this is going to be a new experience of ministry and where I also pray that God will enable us to learn new things in His field of ministry.

I and Anna are praying for your pastoral visit to Kasese in November this year; how we wish to see you at that time and continue to share more experiences of ministry with you.

*I asked Robert for his colleague's name, so that I could mention their mission in our parish magazine. He responded:*

My colleague's name is Ordinand Abraham Asimwe, who is doing a Bachelor of Divinity degree course. We are both in our second year. Definitely let this news be included in your September magazine! Oh! how blessed we are, I and Abraham to appear in your magazine, God bless you Rev Chris!

*(Rev Nelson is also doing a month of mission in Rwanda.)*



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Just some of the new courses starting this Autumn.....

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| <i>Tai Chi</i>       | <i>Yoga</i>                |
| <i>Art</i>           | <i>Shappy Chic</i>         |
| <i>Printmaking</i>   | <i>French</i>              |
| <i>Geology</i>       | <i>Up-Cycling</i>          |
| <i>Needlefelt</i>    | <i>Sewing</i>              |
| <i>Wire-Wrapping</i> | <i>Crochet</i>             |
|                      | <i>Digital</i>             |
|                      | <i>Photography</i>         |
|                      | <i>Computer Skills</i>     |
|                      | <i>Mindfulness</i>         |
|                      | <i>Painting in Pastels</i> |
|                      | <i>Windows 8/8.1</i>       |

For more info contact Julie on  
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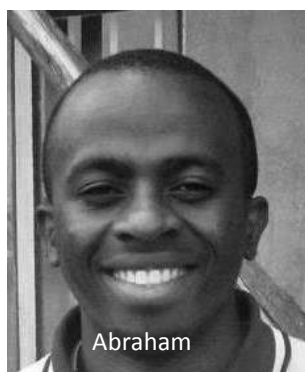
## Orton & Tebay Local History Society

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September: "Ravenstonedale Retailers - from Fells to Fine Furniture", with Val Fermer. 7.30 p.m. at Orton Methodist Church.**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October: "Roadside Heritage" with Andy Lowe. 7.30 p.m. at Tebay Methodist Church.**

***Please note changes of venue from what the Programme Cards say!***

Visitors always welcome - £2.50



Abraham



Robert

## Church of England defends Songs of Praise filmed in Calais migrant camp



Senior Church of England figures have vigorously defended the BBC's decision to film an episode of Songs of Praise at the migrant camp in Calais.

The Right Rev Nick Baines, Bishop of Leeds, said he had been appalled at the attacks on the broadcaster for filming at the "jungle" camp. The segment will be featured on Sunday's programme.

"The decision to record in the Jungle of Calais, right at the heart of where migrants are trying desperately to find a new life in a place of safety, is absolutely the right one," the bishop wrote in a blogpost. "Songs of Praise usually gets slagged off - often the critique is that it is bland. Well, not now it isn't!"

The Daily Express and the Sun both carried critical front pages of the BBC programme's decision to film in the church, which they claimed was a waste of licence fee money.

Justin Welby, the Archbishop of Canterbury, made it clear in a tweet that he fully supported the programme.

"What do they think the church is for? It is for the poor and the vulnerable, it is to voice things that others cannot voice," Baines told the Guardian. "Christian faith is about God in the real world, not relegated to some imaginary fairy land where it can't do any harm or embarrass anyone," he said in the blogpost.

The corrugated iron church, known as St Michael's, is predominantly used by Eritrean and Ethiopian Orthodox Christians and was built over a weekend by a team of 30 volunteers. The programme was presented by the broadcaster Sally Magnusson.

The Rev Michael Sadgrove, Dean of Durham, also mounted a passionate defence of the BBC on his blog. "What's the answer to the scornful Pharisees at the Sun? It's pretty obvious. Just ask what Jesus would do. He would be in the Jungle, of course, just as he kept company with a lot of other people the establishment of his day found it difficult to tolerate."

## News from Andy and Sue Judge

*Andy and Sue lived in Orton for a few months, from September 2014 to Easter 2015. Andy worked at Carlisle Airport. They applied to serve overseas with the Missionary Aviation Fellowship - MAF - and were accepted just before Christmas. They flew out to East Africa at Easter, and after a short time in Nairobi, they went to Juba in South Sudan.*

### Sue writes:

Our first week was in Nairobi where Andy spent time with the MAF team learning about their operation and flights. South Sudan operates using Kenyan licences so it is important there is close communication with the Kenyan team. Driving in Nairobi was jaw dropping. I am sure not as bad as



other parts of the world but it must surely be getting close. One day we got into a taxi on the corner of a junction and the taxi driver (with us in the back of the cab) was arrested and escorted by a policeman on a motor bike to the police station where he was fined for stopping in an 'undesignated area'. We went halves with him. With no other road rules being obeyed or enforced one could feel targeted!

At the weekend we were taken to the baby elephant orphanage.



Then we flew with MAF (in a Cessna 208 Caravan) to Juba and got through the Ebola testing and immigration swiftly.

Some of the local tribes are very tall (7ft) and the women looked incredibly elegant and beautiful being so tall and slim.

Our apartment is small but perfectly adequate. We have taken the door to the kitchen off (the Eritrean Manager is very laid back) so that we can get to the fridge. We finally borrowed a drill so we could put a hook in the ceiling for our Mosquito net and Andy has put up a washing line for me on the balcony so we are getting comfy. We also seem to be winning the cockroach battle. We have to soak all fresh fruit and veg in a bleach-like solution before using it. We brought a water filter with us from the UK which is working well and is absolutely essential.

### Andy writes:

There are currently three MAF Cessna 208 Caravan aircraft operating here and a fourth is planned to come around July together with a smaller Cessna 182. The C208 is a pretty rugged and capable aircraft which has 12 passengers seats (which can be taken out for freight if that is to be carried instead). A flight to the furthest part of South Sudan can take up to about 3.5 hours so a round trip back to Juba can take a full day. There are also lots of shorter trips that have multiple hops of 30 minutes or even less.



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# Orton C of E School News

## Our Leavers

Sadly another year has passed and we have to say goodbye to 10 imaginative year 6s. Martha is so imaginative in every kind of way!

Molly is a great organiser and Actor!

Megan is great at sports and giving advice about looking after the school guinea pigs (cuddles and snuggles)!

Madeleine is a great rock climber as we all saw on residential! Harriet is a very talented story writer!

Alex is a great shot put thrower!

Asher is great at drawing and is very humorous!

Kit is an amazing rubrics cube solver and is a very friendly guy!

Seb is a great Footballer, runner and a great friend!

Last but not least Thomas is a great biker and was amazing at acting in the school play!

That was a few great things about our friends the year 6s. Everyone in the school will miss them!

Bye! By Eilidh



## **Sports Day**

On June 29<sup>th</sup>, Orton school had their Sports Day and it was a lot of fun. We held the Sports Day at the school field. The whole school took part giving everyone the chance to join in with some of the amazing events including: sack race, target challenge, space hopper challenge and running races. The space hoppers were very bouncy and exhausting! Some people fell off! All in all it was a good day and back at school, we all got to eat choc ices By Josh

## SCHOOL REPORTS

On Friday July 10<sup>th</sup>, Orton school gave out their school reports to the children. Luckily, most of them were amazing! We found out if we were doing in all our subjects (Eg. Maths, English and Science). We also had some nice comments from our teachers. Class 4 made a photo page and everyone made a page filled with thoughts of how this year had gone. We hope all the parents are proud of their children. By Reuben C

## Bee Day

On Tuesday the 30<sup>th</sup> of June we had some bee keepers come in to talk to us about bees. In the morning they did an assembly and told us some excellent facts about bees. After the assembly KS2 worked with the Bee keepers doing lots of activities including making beeswax candles. KS1 and EYFS had their sessions with the Bee Keepers the following day. Everyone enjoyed the 'bee day' we hope one day they'll come back. By Angelique and Sarah



## SCHOOL PLAY -

(I'M A YEAR 6 GET ME OUT OF HERE)

On July 10<sup>th</sup>, we had our school play - 'I'm a year 6 get me out of here'. It was about Year 6 who were all ready to leave primary school, so entered 'I'm a Year 6 get me out of here' to earn their tickets. In an exciting turn of events Ant and Dec fell ill, but did they get their tickets...?

Cast

Nursery: Rabbits

Reception: Swamp Monsters

Year 1/2: Spiders / Frozen Characters

Year 3/4: Bats and Bugs/Monster Mashers/Goblins

Year 5: Ant and Dec

Year 6: Year 6 Contestants

Teachers: Pink Fluffy Unicorns

By Frank

## Moving up Day

On the Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July we did a practice moving up day where everyone practised moving into their new year groups and for some of us new classes as well! Meanwhile the year 6s went to their new secondary schools. By Oliver

## Orton's Got Talent.....

The lights were lowered ....the judges were seated.... poised. However as there was no sight of a dubious dog act anywhere to be seen, this was obviously not Britain's Got Talent.

No - this was Orton's equivalent.

The star makers from Orton Primary School had travelled all the way to Newbiggin on Lune Village Hall to entertain the expectant audience.

The show was presented by some of the school's current Year 6. All looked particularly intriguing with their fake moustaches: Madeleine Beck, Molly Woodmass, Thomas Mawson and Seb & Harriet Wigley.

Once the judges (thanks go to Steve Fairclough; Claire Cooper; Phil Dew) had taken their positions we were ready to start the show. The acts ranged from synchronised gymnastics to joke telling; magic tricks to musical wizardry.

 **Anna** – an energetic dance sequence of hip hop and rhythm

**The Firework Girls** – breath-taking turns and elegant gymnastics. 

 **Cristina** – wowed the audience with a tear-jerking rendition of a Sound of Music favourite - 'A Few of My Favourite Things'.

**Sarah** on her clarinet – the room fell silent to the haunting pitch of 'Alleluia'. 

 **Oliver** on his guitar – now a change in mood to serious rock.

**Finn** and his comb – they start them young at Orton School and this young man is one to watch for the future. 

 **Carley** – last year's winner didn't disappoint.

**Jenny** and her clarinet – The judge's favourite, well deserved after a stunning performance. 

 **Franky** – "Why shouldn't you let Elsa have a balloon? Because she'll **Let it Go**" ..the jokes just kept coming.

**The doo-dah magicians** – the audience's eventual winner was an act packed full of fun and surprises. How could they tell what the gentleman **randomly** selected from the floor was thinking?? 

 **The Joke Boys** – the final act ended the show with plenty of enthusiasm.

A huge thank you goes to Andrea Mounsey and her helpers for making it a memorable and enjoyable evening which will keep us all waiting for Orton's Got Talent 2016. Somebody give Simon Cowell a call.



## ORTON FELL RACE

*Friends of Orton School*

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September**

**Fell races starting from Orton Primary School**

**Junior races at 1pm (1 and 2 miles)**

**Senior race at 2pm (approx 10km)**

**Refreshments Raffle**

**Children's Games**

**Anyone willing to help out on the day please contact:**

**Simon Mounsey**

**07814 604419 / 015396 24127**

**smounsey7@gmail.com**

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## Orton Liberal Club

I am sure that there will be quite a few people reading this who will have fond memories of attending the Village Youth Club in the old Liberal Club Building, by Petty Hall, and, no doubt, more of you have wondered what is happening to that building now.



Dr. Norman Gibson who lived in Orton for many years and indeed was born at Townhead House in 1891, and worked as a G.P. in the area, owned that building and allowed the Youth Club to use it, which they did for some considerable time. When he died in 1967, his widow, Kathleen, purchased the club house from his estate in order that she could allow the youth to continue using it. A Trust Deed was set up in 1974, and trustees appointed to manage the building. A clause of this Trust Deed stated that if the building was no longer used for the purposes of Youth Club then it should revert back to the Gibson family.

However it came about that numbers attending the youth club increased to such an extent that they removed the club meeting to the Market Hall, the Liberal Club building being inadequate for their use. Shortly following this move a local person asked if he could rent the Club House, and although not strictly in accordance with the wording of the Deed the then Trustees felt it was within the spirit of the Deed to allow this to happen. The tenant agreed to pay all peripheral costs and maintain the building and the rent money would go to the Youth Club thereby still supporting what Dr. Gibson would have wanted.

Subsequently the tenant defaulted on the rent and it was felt that action should be taken to restore the Liberal Club House to the Gibson family. Descendants of Dr. Norman and Mrs Kathleen

Gibson were eventually traced - in Australia - and steps taken to inform them of the situation.

Neville Gibson came to Orton when he was visiting the UK from Australia and he started proceedings to sell the property. The Liberal Club is now sold and

some renovations and alterations will be undertaken by the new owner to make the building suitable as a residence.



Neville and Gill Gibson

As a result of this sale Neville Gibson and his sister Brenda have given

a generous donation to Orton After-School Club in memory of Dr. Norman Gibson and in the spirit of his abiding interest in young people.

This donation will enable a potting shed to be built within the Orton School grounds – this we hope will include solar panels for power which will allow for a good indoor/outdoor working space for most of the year, which will be used by the After-School Club children for their various activities during Gardening Club, Forest Club and a new venture, Bugs Detectives.

It is hoped that by the time you read this the potting shed will be built and equipped and will be in use for the Autumn Term 2015.

You will recall that the Jubilee Garden at Orton School won the Cumbria School Garden of the year award and thanks to parents Abi and Pete Clarke, gardening has become a great interest for the children – particularly those attending the After-School Club. This potting shed will be a lasting memory to Dr. Norman and Mrs. Kathleen Gibson that we hope will continue to be used for many years to come.

*Mary Jenkin*



Norman and Kathleen Gibson

## **Ravenstonedale**

### **Forthcoming events** **Late Summer and Autumn** **2015**

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September**  
Ravenstonedale Parish History Group  
Speaker: Susan Garnett  
*'Facts and Phantoms in Upper Eden'*  
High Chapel Heritage  
& Community Centre 7.30pm  
All welcome.

**Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September**  
Bible Discussion Group  
Led by Fran Parkinson  
Manor House, Ravenstonedale  
7.30.pm All welcome

**Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> October**  
Harvest Festival Service  
& Lunch  
St Oswald's Church

**Weekend - 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> October**  
Ravenstonedale Parish  
History Group  
High Chapel  
Annual Exhibition  
'Agriculture'

**Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> October**  
Bible Discussion Group  
Led by Fran Parkinson  
Manor House, Ravenstonedale  
7.30.pm All welcome

**NOW Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> November**  
Friends of St Oswald's  
Evening Concert 7pm  
with refreshments  
Luxembourg International  
Choir in St Oswald's Church.

**Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> November**  
Kirkby Stephen  
Silver Band Concert  
St Oswald's Church  
7.30pm

## **St. Oswald's Church** **Ravenstonedale**



## **Harvest Festival**

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October**  
**Service 11am**

*Followed by Lunch in*  
*Newbiggin Public Hall*  
**at 12-30 for 1pm**

Tickets £10-00 children £3-00  
from Anne Brownrigg, 23594  
Caroline Morris, 23308

RAVENSTONEDALE  
METHODIST CHURCH

## **HARVEST FESTIVAL CELEBRATIONS**

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September**  
2.00pm and 6.30pm

Preacher at both services  
**ALAN STOBART**

Songs by  
**JANET and ANDY KAY**

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September**  
7.30pm

**LIVING PURPOSE**  
with refreshments and sale to  
follow

***PLEASE COME AND HELP  
US TO CELEBRATE***

**Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September**  
**Manor House, Ravenstonedale**  
**7.30pm**

### **Bible Discussion Group** led by Fran Parkinson

*It is a friendly informal discussion  
for anybody who is interested in  
the topic of faith (or lack of it)*

**You are all welcome**

### **Auction of Promises** at Newbiggin-On-Lune Methodist Chapel

As part of our Harvest Festival Weekend  
on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct, 7pm**  
starting with Pie & Peas supper  
followed by the Auction  
at about 8pm



Money raised will be  
split between the  
**Great North Air  
Ambulance**  
and the Chapel  
building project.

Our Harvest Festival continues  
with a service led by **Donald  
Marston** on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October  
10:30am & 6:30pm

**All Welcome!**

For more information contact  
Debra Capstick on 015396 23141

### **Maulds Meaburn Village Institute**

A talk by **Dr Carl Hallam**

### **'A Personal Experience of Médecins Sans Frontières'**

(Doctors without Borders)  
**Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> October**  
**7.30pm**

Tickets: £6-00 (£4-00 for under  
18s) from Maureen:  
01931 715 370  
or m.newrick@btinternet.com

The Bar will be open at 7pm

## Friends of Tarn Gill Bridge, Ravenstonedale – the story so far....



This stone arched bridge at the southern end of Ravenstonedale village dates back to at least the early 1800's and takes riders, cyclists and walkers across Tarn Gill. The bridge has not been used by vehicles since 1973, when it was saved from demolition with the support of the villagers and Westmorland Council, and the first "Irish Ford" was constructed on the site of the original ford to take the traffic. Early this year Cumbria County Council Highways Department announced they wished to replace the stone bridge with a wooden footbridge as they believed the bridge supports were being undermined by the beck.

The "Friends of Tarn Gill Bridge" (now over 130 people) was formed in February 2015 to try and find an alternative solution. We wish the bridge to be repaired, not replaced, so future generations can enjoy it as part of the typical scenery of the village and the Eden Valley. We have raised money from events and donations, and commissioned a survey of the bridge in March 2015 from a firm of structural engineers based in Kendal.

Their report shows that the bridge can be repaired, and we have now commissioned a design and specification from them so that we may go out to Tender for a firm to undertake the repairs. The cost of this design and specification will be £3,516 including VAT and we thank all those people who have so generously contributed to the "Friends" to make this possible. Cumbria County Council Highways are also contributing £15,000 towards the cost of the repairs, provided that they approve them. We hope that the bridge will be repaired sometime next year, but we are not sure yet of the eventual total cost - therefore we are continuing to raise fund. The Great Tarn Gill Bridge Mystery Trail leaflet is still available (until the end of September) from the Black Swan, the King's Head and the Scar Gallery at a cost of £2 - the prize-winner in the adult age group will win a framed signed print of the bridge (as seen in our logo) kindly donated by local artist Caroline Metcalfe-Gibson, and the prize-winner in the under 16 age group will win a £10 gift card.

If you would like to join the "Friends" to be kept up-to-date with our ongoing efforts to conserve this iconic Upper Eden bridge or find out how to donate – for the moment, cash and cheques are gratefully accepted - please email Richard Todd [randjtodd@hotmail.com](mailto:randjtodd@hotmail.com) If you do not have access to email, please telephone Richard on 23679 or Jackie Wedd on 23129.

## Paul's Marathon



Paul Boustead is running his first ever marathon on October 4<sup>th</sup> at Chester, raising money for Caring For Life, a Christian charity that does great work helping vulnerable people. If you would like to sponsor Paul you can donate online at [www.justgiving.com/PaulBoustead](http://www.justgiving.com/PaulBoustead)

## Echoes of Longdale School

There are a few copies of the third (and final) edition of "Echoes of Longdale School" by Mary Jenkin still available. Copies can be obtained at Orton Village Stores, or from Mary - phone 015396 24410. Cost: £11, plus p&p.

## Glimpses of Greenholme School

Mary is planning to start research about Greenholme School in order to write a book about that along similar lines to her Longdale book. If anyone has photographs, reports, or documents of any kind about the school, or your own memories of schooldays there, please get in touch with her!

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The funeral of Joseph James  
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The funeral took place of  
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The funeral took place of  
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| Winton                              | 10.11       | 16.10          |
| Kirkby Stephen                      | 10.20       | 16.06          |
| Kirkby Stephen West Station         | 10.30/10.35 | 15.53/16.00    |
| Ravenstonedale School               | 10.43       | 15.44 Garshill |
| Newbiggin on Lune village hall      | 10.48       | 15.40 on A685  |
| Junction 38, Tebay                  | 11.00/11.15 |                |
| Mount Pleasant bus stop, Tebay      | 11.18       | 15.26          |
| Barnaby Rudge bus stop, Tebay       | 11.20       | 15.27          |
| Grayrigg                            | 11.34       | 15.10          |
| Kendal Morrisons bus stop           | 11.45       | 15.00          |
| Stricklandgate                      | 11.51       |                |
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| Kirkby Stephen Square  | 10.45  | 10.45  |
| Brough Clock           | 11.03  | 11.03  |
| Middleton in Teesdale  | 11.45  |        |
| Barnard Castle         | 12.25  | 11.40  |
| Barnard Castle         | 15.30  | 14.30  |
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| Kirkby Stephen Square  | 16.15  | 15.15  |
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