

Profile

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About me...

Hello everyone!! Because I'm new to the circuit I thought it would be good to share something about myself with you. I'm a season pass holder at Hull Kingston Rovers Rugby League Club and I also support Manchester United. I like eating out and socialising with friends. I especially like going out for coffees, pizza, curries, and going to the cinema.

In June this year I passed my Diploma in Youth Mission and Ministry at Cliff College, and I will be starting my BA in Children and Youth Ministry at Cliff College in September this year.

I'm engaged to Helen and we get married in May next year.

My ministry in Hull...

Back home I was a leader in the Boys' Brigade, Junior Church, and Youth Fellowship at Trinity Methodist Church, the Church that I had attended since I was a child. I also introduced breakfast club with the help of Helen, which took place on Sunday mornings once a month. The idea was to encourage the children and their families of the youth organisations to attend church parades.

In 2008 I was appointed as the Pastoral and Development Worker at Princes Avenue Methodist Church in Hull. Last September we launched a Project called 'Street Angels'. Street Angels is a project that works alongside the police to keep the streets and people of Hull safe on Friday and Saturday nights. This work involved talking to the people, offering water, creating links with the door staff, offering first aid if

needed, and offering disposable flip-flops to women who had taken off their high-heeled shoes.

Why did we do it? We patrolled because God is far too big to be kept in a church building. This meant going out to the places where people are to make a positive difference. I'm pleased to say that Street Angels is still continuing in Hull. Last April at Princes Avenue Methodist Church I also started a family movie night once a month for the community.

Anyway that's enough about me, maybe next time I could share my testimony with you. Lets move on to the important stuff, what I hope to gain here.

And now here...

Since arriving here you have made me feel very welcome so I would like to thank you for that. I'm looking forward to developing links with Children and Families in the area. 'Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to those who are like these Children."' I want to serve so that children and families in Harrogate will know more about the love of Jesus. This is my main goal here! I believe there are a lot of hungry people in God's kingdom and they do want feeding. As Tim Hughes says in his song God of Justice "We must go. Live to feed the hungry. Stand beside the broken. We must go. Stepping forward. Keep us from just singing. Move us into action. We must go."



My main goal is to feed children so they grow in faith with God.