

## **AGM REPORT 2011 – THE BEACON COFFEE SHOP**

A great deal has happened since the last AGM, the previous manager, Lynne Buckley left us to work full time at M&S, and following a number of weeks when Pauline Davies kindly stepped into the breach, we were able to appoint a new manager , David Taylor-Lewis.

David started towards the end of September after a successful interview when his passion for ‘mission’ was obvious to all on the interview panel. Prior to David’s appointment there had been a number of consultation meetings with the volunteers from Friday Break and Rumbletums, and it was agreed that in the future both coffee shop operations would be combined under one manager, and one name. After inviting suggestions the name that was chosen was ‘The Beacon Coffee Shop’. A new banner and two new A-frames were ordered, together with fliers advertising the name and setting out sample prices. The costs of both A-frames were very kindly provided by Bob Kouba and Richard Liddell. Various other donations were received to cover the children’s play area, toy chest and toys, and it has proved to be a great success with our younger families. Material for new tablecloths has been purchased, and again a sizeable donation towards their costs has been promised.

The menu was looked at carefully and prices increased to take account of food price inflation, and apart from one or two comments, most of our customers seem happy enough and customer numbers have held up well. For the future it is hoped that this important part of our ministry will continue and succeed, offering a welcoming and friendly atmosphere, where a home-cooked meal or snack can be provided at reasonable prices. The hope is that The Beacon will continue to be self-sustaining with any surplus passed to the church to cover utilities, and all tips to be divided up amongst charities as the volunteers and manager agrees. The members of the Hospitality Committee, which was set up to oversee the running of The Beacon, would like to thank all the volunteers who give of their time so cheerfully, and the customers who have provided support and our reason to exist.

### Financial Position – as at 31 March 2011

|                          |                        |
|--------------------------|------------------------|
| Bank balance:            | £2178.86               |
| Cash in hand:            | £ 216.58               |
| Monies due:              | <u>£ 100.00</u>        |
|                          | £2495.44               |
| Payments due (Tax & NI): | -£ 460.88              |
| <b>Total Balance:</b>    | <b><u>£2034.56</u></b> |

### Cost of launch of The Beacon Coffee Shop – already paid out

|              |                                |
|--------------|--------------------------------|
| Banner:      | £110.00                        |
| A-frames:    | £160.00 (covered by donations) |
| Fliers:      | £80.00                         |
| Tablecloths: | £215.73 (donation of £100.00)  |
| Play area:   | £125.00 (covered by donations) |
| <b>Cost:</b> | <b>£305.73</b>                 |

### General Finances:

#### Income

|             |                 |
|-------------|-----------------|
| Takings:    | £6980.20        |
| Tips:       | £ 253.40        |
| Other (FB): | <u>£ 358.37</u> |
|             | <b>£7591.97</b> |

#### Outgoings

|                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| Wages:         | £4153.38        |
| Groceries:     | £2726.70        |
| Other:         | £ 333.00        |
| NI contrib.'s: | <u>£151.83</u>  |
|                | <b>£7364.91</b> |