

## Off to Egypt!

### **Belvoir couple to work in Cairo**



David and Gillian Maganda and their three children, Esther, Beth and Nathan, will be leaving Northern Ireland in the autumn to live and work in the Egyptian capital, Cairo. David will be working as a team leader within the Joint Relief Ministry (JRM) at All Saints' Anglican Cathedral, a project which addresses both the physical and spiritual needs of the many refugees who arrive in Cairo from Sudan.

David and Gillian, from Belvoir in South Belfast have previously worked in Sudan with Operation Mobilisation, and indeed a return to Khartoum was

very much their focus as they began their year of training at Belfast Bible College last September. As circumstances unfolded however, it was clear that this would not be possible. In the midst of this uncertainty came a request from JRM for personnel, and so the Lord began to open the door of opportunity for the family to work with the Sudanese people who are very much on their hearts.

David's work will see him closely involved with the Sudanese community in Cairo, encouraging the JRM staff in ministry and looking at ways to develop this work through home visits and other initiatives. He will also be liaising with the management structure of the JRM about new refugee registrations, the distribution of emergency assistance, managing resources for that emergency assistance and implementing these programmes. Alongside all of this, he will have an active role in the spiritual life of the JRM and the Cathedral. This will be a busy and demanding role in which he will be ably supported by Gillian.

The Magandas have just returned from a short visit to Cairo and are excitedly looking forward to the end of October when this new chapter in their discipleship and service will begin. Please pray for them as they prepare for all the coming changes.



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## THE MISSION STATEMENT OF CMS IRELAND

*The Church Missionary Society Ireland is a Christian Mission and Development Agency, committed to:*

- † Proclaiming salvation by grace through faith in Jesus Christ by word and action.
- † Assisting the whole Church to carry out its own Mission and Development.
- † Sharing of God's resources to where ever they are needed from where ever they are available.
- † Informing its membership on current mission issues and encouraging them to take responsibility for their own response to the needs of the world Church.
- † With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, working towards a ministry of peace and reconciliation of all in a just society.

This is a very significant, exciting and challenging time in the life of CMS Ireland as we face up to the challenges of Mission in the twenty first century.

To implement our M2K Strategy we have developed a 'Mission Team' consisting of Mission Personnel, Mission Development and Mission Partnership bringing together the three strands of our Mission Activity.

Mission Personnel, under the leadership of the Rev Mark Harvey, involves all aspects of 'people in mission' which includes Mission Partners, Mission Experience Teams Abroad, (now a two-way activity with teams also coming here from overseas), Short Term Mission Service and incoming visits from our Partner Churches.

Mission Development is a programme of activity which enables our Partner Churches to carry out their mission and includes such diverse activities from building schools and Training Centres, to leadership training courses and health care provision. With the departure of Ronnie Briggs to Kenya the post of Mission Development Coordinator is still vacant, but we are indebted to Mr. Alan Dunne who is helping us in a voluntary capacity until an appointment is made.

Mission Partnership is under the direction of Mrs Bobbie Moore who joined the staff as a result of the integration with Mid-Africa Ministry. This department brings it all back home; linking parishes and people together 'in Mission' sharing with, supporting and learning from the World Church. We are also delighted to

announce the appointment of the Rev Patrick Comerford as our Southern Regional Coordinator and look forward to his unique ministry among us.

Our Executive and General Committees have been involved in revising and updating our Constitution and Articles of Association. Most of this has to do with internal governance and legal issues but one significant outcome will be the reintroduction of a signed up membership. There is a legal aspect to this, but we also feel that the time is right to mobilise those of you who have been active in your support and to give others the opportunity of becoming more involved.

In the autumn we will be writing to all our supporters with full details of membership and an invitation to sign up. If you are not already on our mailing list and would like to become involved in the life of our Society please contact either of our offices for information.

With this issue of **inMission** you will also receive a copy of our Annual Report for last year. This gives an overview of the vast range of mission activity in which we are now involved. We cannot continue to do it without your ongoing prayers and practical support. CMSI is a movement of people in mission, a community of those who seek to follow our Lord's command to; 'Go into all the world and make disciples of all nations'. We look forward to your partnership with us in Christ's Mission.

*Rev Canon Cecil Wilson,*  
**General Secretary.**

## 'Comforting the afflicted and afflicting the comfortable'

### **Version of 'The Irish Times' 'Rite and Reason' column of 2 July 2002.**

When the Rev Stephen Hilliard left The Irish Times over a decade ago I asked him to define the different challenges of journalism and parochial ministry, and was told: "In many ways they're the same. We're supposed to be comforting the afflicted the afflicting the comfortable."

For over 30 years, I have worked as a journalist, the last eight as Foreign Desk Editor of The Irish Times. I left at the end of July to start as the Dublin-based Regional Officer of CMS Ireland.

For 30 or more years as a journalist and writer, I have also tried to work at the point where faith meets the major concerns of the world. That work has made me a witness to the great conflicts and disasters of the last century: I have seen the evil consequences of the Holocaust in museums, memorials and synagogues. I have met the survivors of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and the children of Chernobyl. I have witnessed the evils of apartheid and racism, seen military occupation, poverty, and the deprivations of famine. I have talked and prayed with the victims of torture and violence. I have family experiences of



*Patrick Comerford (centre) with his wife Barbara, sons Joe (left) and Jamie (right) and the then Archbishop of Dublin when Patrick was being ordained.*

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the social terror left behind by the old regimes in Eastern Europe.

Through those years, I have been inspired by the

courage of people who refused to become victims and instead became fearless and articulate witnesses to the truths that good can overcome evil, that there is hope in the face of oppression, that faith is not a mere comfort but can inspire, motivate and provide vision for what can be -- for what must be.

My move is a natural transition for someone who continues to work with people wanting to be informed, inspired and empowered in the face of the major issues confronting the world and threatening our survival, and to bring to those issues the priorities of Christian faith, hope for the future and deep love. The Anglican Consultative Council has defined the five tasks of mission: to proclaim the good news of the kingdom; to teach, baptise and nurture new believers; to respond to human need by loving service; to seek to transform the unjust structures of society; and to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth. These are the very issues I have been working with for over 30 years.

Nadine Gordimer recently argued that a writer's highest calling is to bear witness to the evils of conflicts and injustice. But that is the calling of a priest too. And that is the calling I hope to develop with the CMS Ireland as I seek to comfort the afflicted and to afflict the comfortable.



*Patrick with Beryl Stone at the Dublin Office*

## Bringing it all together

### Link between the Parishes of Ballynascreen and Kilcronaghan and the Quill Family

Our Parish has been linked with Andrew and Joanne Quill for six years. It has been a very positive and fruitful link. They are among a number of link missionaries that our Parish supports.

We support them in a number of ways. We pray for them regularly in our Sunday services and at the weekly prayer fellowship. We have a bi-monthly Mission Focus slot which features the Quills once a year in the main morning service. We also include in formation about them in our Sunday School programme.

Three years ago members of the McKeown family went out and visited the Quills when they were working in Kajiado Diocese.

We let them know what is happening here by a monthly e-mail contact which includes an attachment of the Parish Magazine. We also regularly visit their website for up to date news for prayer.

The link with the Quills gives our Parish an insight into world mission with Mission Partners who are well known to the people of our Parish. Andrew grew up in the Rectory in Ballynascreen and Kilcronaghan. They are an important part of the life of our Parish and are much more than a picture stuck up on the Parish Hall wall!

*Rev David Morrow*



*"I thank my God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the Gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."*

#### Philippians 1:3-6

The REFLECT-CMSI Team's visit to Uganda (10th July – 2nd August 2002) represented 'True Partnership in the Gospel'. The team worked together well with the local teams in Banda (Kampala), Luweero and Kampala to reach over 10,000 people with the Gospel through door-to-door, school

visits, open-air events and evangelistic services. Many people committed their lives to Jesus over the 3 weeks and several TIMothy (Training In Mission) Courses are beginning in Kiwoko and Luweero as part of the follow-up programme.

The most exciting thing though has been the 'Partnership in the Gospel'. Spiritual growth and learning is something that both the REFLECT Team and the local teams have experienced and as the REFLECT Team modelled a different approach to doing open-air events and school visits, it has now opened up the doors to new ministries. The local teams have been encouraged by the response of the local people to drama at the open-air events and in the schools. As a result we will be setting up a drama team in Luweero and Kiwoko and putting together a team for ministering within the schools. On top of all of this hive of activity the team managed to do some digging and to move more than 4,000 bricks some 40 metres to be near the 6.5m diameter x 2.2m deep hole that is to be an underground water tank, affectionately named the swimming pool by the team. Our house will be built next and we will find this tank invaluable during construction and afterwards for storing water.

Our kids enjoyed having the team around and we will always look upon the team's visit as one of the highlights of our time in Luweero Diocese.

*Andrew & Joanne Quill*



*Quill family*

When I heard Nick Wooding speak at a Friends of Kiwoko meeting last year I knew I had to go to Kiwoko Hospital. His words, that he wanted the pharmacy looked at, were confirmation of what I had been thinking about Africa - that I would only go if I could do pharmacy.

So in April I headed off to Uganda laden down with pharmacy reference books kindly donated by my employer, Bairds Chemists, and by my church, not knowing what I was going to do or what I would see.

I spent a month in Kiwoko working with Richard in the pharmacy and with the doctors and nurses on the various wards. My work ranged from problem solving in the I.V. fluid production room (something I hadn't done since University days), answering specific drug related questions asked by the doctors (sometimes about drugs I'd never come across before), reviewing the drug storage and administration problems encountered on the wards and producing for the doctors prescribing guidelines on the drugs used in the hospital in relation to their safety in pregnancy, breast feeding, kidney disease, liver disease and drug interactions.

It was on the ward rounds that I saw the stark reality of life and death in Uganda. The heartache when you see conditions that could



*Dr Nick Wooding with his family. Nick is Medical Superintendent of Kiwoko Hospital*

be treated in the UK but can't in Kiwoko and the wonder when you see a very sick child recovering from meningitis with the use of a very expensive antibiotic costing more than a years salary.

Kiwoko's pharmacy is well stocked with the drugs on the World Health Organisation (WHO) essential drug list and well run by Richard and his staff. But they lack simple resources like up to date drug information and simple equipment like fridge thermometers, mortar and pestle, liquid measures or blood glucose meters. Now that I am home I have kept in contact with my colleagues in Kiwoko and will keep sending out equipment and resources that they will find useful.

I am very thankful to have had the privilege of working at Kiwoko Hospital and meeting the wonderful people who work there.



*Rt Rev Evans Kisekka  
Bishop of Luweero Diocese*



*"Partnership in the Gospel"*

*Anne Dallas*



# Youth inMission

In July 2002 a team of 20 young people (mainly from Down & Dromore diocese – but with a few welcome "outsiders"!!!) made their way to Luweero diocese, Uganda. The team were there to work alongside the local church and CMS Ireland Mission Partners Andrew & Joanne Quill in making the 50-50-50 project come alive in Luweero and the surrounding area. The aim of the project was to bring the Gospel to 50 million people in 50 cities around Africa in just 50 days! Thankfully the Reflect team weren't responsible for all of this (or even all of it in Uganda!) they were simply there to work with the local church at local level, bringing Jesus to schools, homes, shops and hospitals that they visited! Here's what one of the team had to say...

**Spike**



***"Describe in about 200 words the previous (and possibly most significant ever) month of your life! Good one Spike!"***

Sitting writing this a day and a half since arriving home is quite a challenge. Trying to put all that I have seen and experienced into perspective with life here is difficult – the most important aspect, I feel, is to try and take the lessons I have learnt and apply them to my life here, in a developed country. Uganda and N. Ireland are worlds apart – the climate, the food, GNP, people (and that goes much deeper than skin colour!) are at opposite ends of the spectrum from each other...but that doesn't mean that the lessons have to be...

In Uganda we saw a certain degree of poverty. Many people have so few possessions, very little variation in their diet and kids running around with rags for clothes. Sitting here now in a comfy chair, watching TV, having just had a feast for lunch, is a little bizarre. Yet I can't feel guilty for where I live, for being born in N. Ireland while others live in poverty. I can however learn how to use what I have in a more appropriate way, and even to be more grateful for it!

The people that we met taught us so much about how we should be treating those around us. They made so much time for us, their welcome was warm and genuine – and they went out of their way time and again to be hospitable to us. It has already, in such a short space of time, been a challenge for me to treat others here the same way I was treated in Uganda.

These two lessons are nothing more than a scratch on the surface of my experiences in Uganda. I haven't mentioned by name those who we met, I haven't detailed what we did from day-to-day, or even listed any of the words added to our vocabulary...that's all in Uganda, now the challenge is not to dwell on the experience there but to apply the lessons here.

The writer JRR Tolkien wrote " All we have to decide is what to do with the tie given us" – the gauntlet has been thrown down – Have it!!!

*Pete McQuillan*



**...Quick news...** Summer Madness – Dr Livingstone's Good Time Emporium went with a bang! Thousands of people packed into the CMS Ireland venue for a packed programme of entertainment, fun and frolics – check out the website soon for photos and video clips!...**Junior Camp** – the start of July once again saw a big crowd heading to Kinsale for a jam-packed week of games, sports, outdoor pursuits, fellowship, teaching and worship. Big Thanks to all those who made it possible!...

# inTouch inMission



*Sarah Maya (second from left back row)*

returned...tapaai kasto chha? (How are you?) ramro chha! (I am well!) yo ke ho? (What is this?).

Goomnu in Nepali is 'to wander', hence we have named our newsletter Gill's wanderings.

Daniel and Sarah Maya are studying at Kathmandu International Study Centre. Recently Sarah took part in the King's Birthday Squash Tournament and came in 5th place in the Ladies Open Competition, winning the Plate prize which gave her a gold medal.

The Gill family have returned to Kathmandu after an absence of over four years.

In their first link letter, Mark writes, 'we have completed our month of re-orientation – first timers usually get 5 months. It is a great way to start learning about how to fit in. We have been surprised how quickly our language skills have

Pat Gilmer, who works with orphaned and disabled children in Rukungiri, SW Uganda, was made an MBE in the Jubilee Honours List. Pat will be talking about her work at the M.A.P. Conference in September and will also spend some time visiting her link churches here in Ireland.



*Pat Gilmer*



*Rt Rev Jeremiah Taama and Rt Rev Ken Clarke*

Rt Rev Ken Clarke, Bishop of Kilmore was the preacher at a special event in Kajiado's new Cathedral on 4th May. The occasion was the enrolling service for members of KAMA, the Kenya Anglican Men's Association. Bishop Clarke was welcomed by Rt Rev Jeremiah Taama.

## CLOGHER DIOCESAN REGIONAL SUPPORT GROUP

The Confirmation Class from Derryvullan North Parish, assisted by their parents and Sunday School Teachers, held a very successful soup lunch following Morning Prayer on 16 June. An opportunity was also given to view the video presentation for the Choose Life Project.

On the following Sunday, children from the Sunday School took part in a short sketch relating to the Project, and some of their classwork was displayed in the Church. At this Service a cheque for £800.00 was presented, this being the amount raised from the soup lunch and the children's collection boxes.

The Clogher Diocesan Regional Support Group will host the Annual Diocesan event on 25 September in the Cathedral Hall, Enniskillen at 7.30pm. The main speakers on that evening will be Canon John and Margaret McCammon from Kajiado Diocese. Florence Creighton also hopes to be present with an update on her recent travels in Central Africa.

From Death to Life is the title of a new CMSI Video focussing on life in Southern Sudan as exiles return to a country which is still in a war situation. Written and presented by Paul Clark, the video will be launched in Kampala on 6 September at the Provincial Standing Committee of the Episcopal Church of Sudan. It will also be available from both CMSI offices on VHS and Video CD. Price: £10 €15



## Diary Dates

- Fri 6-Sun 8 September 'Seeing through the Smoke', weekend conference at Kilbroney Centre, Rostrevor for all those keen to explore God's Call to Mission.
- Fri 20 – Sat 22 September 'New Beginnings' Mid-Africa Partnership Annual Residential Conference, Glenada Conference Centre, Newcastle. Booking forms available from Belfast and Dublin Offices
- Sat 28 September in Raheny Parish Hall 10.30-12.30 Women's Committee Annual Autumn Sale in Aid of Dr Christine Matthews Rural Health Centres. Contact Dublin office for more information.

## Mission Partners

### In Service

#### Uganda

*Norman and Isobel Jackson with Ian, Leah and Paul; Ruwenzori Diocese  
Andrew and Joanne Quill with Christine, Hannah and David; Luweero Diocese  
Billy and Jenny Smyth with Abigail; Madi and West Nile Diocese*

#### Kenya

*Ronnie and Maggie Briggs with Naomi; Kajiado Diocese  
Rev John and Margaret McCammon; Kajiado Diocese  
Canon John and Lilian Kanyikwa; Council of Anglican Provinces in Africa, Nairobi*

#### Southern Sudan

*Ven Henry Leju; Adjumani Bible School and Kajojeji Ecumenical Training Project*

#### Nepal

*Deirdre and Mark Zimmerman; United Mission to Nepal (UMN)  
Mark and Ali Gill with Sarah-Maya and Daniel; Kathmandu (UMN)*

#### Zambia

*Keith and Lyn Scott with Adam and Hannah; Kitwe Anglican Seminary*

### In Preparation for Service

*David and Gillian Maganda with Esther, Beth and Nathan.  
JRM, All Saints' Cathedral, Cairo (October 2002)*

### Associate Mission Partners

*Pat Gilmer; North Kigezi Diocese, Uganda  
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# Who's Who inMission

## BOOK REVIEW

### Don't Bother to Unpack

The title of this book by Dorothy Lowe comes from the advice Dorothy, her husband John and their twins Michael and Katherine were given when they arrived in Southern Sudan in 1959. The political and social situation made life very uncertain and precarious for this young family who had been called to serve God and the church in Bishop Gwynne College in Mundri. In the event they remained for five years and Dorothy Lowe has written a vivid and moving account of their time in Sudan.

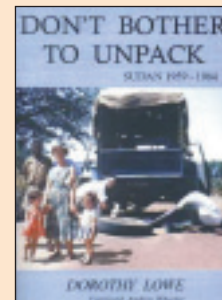
Descriptions of the beautiful countryside, stories of the adjustment to primitive living conditions, accounts of frustration and fulfilment, sadness and joy, friendship and fear fill the pages of this evocative and gripping book.

To read this account of the first five years of the Lowe family's work as missionaries for CMS is to travel by sea to Port Sudan, by rail to Khartoum, to journey through the papyrus filled Nile in the Sudd, to travel the dusty pot-holed roads of Sudan. It is to hear at first hand an account of the growth and development of the young Sudanese church, its pastors and people.

After the Lowes left in 1965 Sudan descended into the nightmare of an almost continuous thirty years civil war that has wrecked untold misery on its people. As a result the country is now less developed than when the Lowes first travelled there. Bishop Gwynn College together with almost every other school, hospital and government building has been razed to the ground. Read this book with prayer in your heart for the suffering people of Sudan and with thanks for the inestimable contribution which the Lowes have made to the survival of the church and its people throughout the years of their suffering.

*Barbara Wilson*

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