TOGETHER CHURCH OF NAZARENE

"Since we are all one body in Christ, we belong to each other and each of us needs all the others" (Romans 12:5)

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The Church with outside patio areas and wheelchair lift.



Cutting the ribbon (I.to r)
Laura Nike,
Hepsi Smith (faithful member for nearly 20 years), Rev
Jason Nike, Amy Quin-Graham (Trustee and Treasurer)



Main Multi-Purpose Hall



Fresh Ground Café

FRESH GROUND ON BATTERSEA RISE

The historic building at 68 Battersea Rise, London, was obtained in April 1915 as the headquarters and registered office of the International Holiness Mission founded by David Thomas in 1907 (which united with the Church of the Nazarene in 1952). Exactly 101 years later, over the weekend 21st/22nd April 2016, the completely refurbished and modernised premises were officially opened and a new chapter commenced in the ongoing work of mission and service to the community. Originally known affectionately as "The Tab" (Tabernacle), the church became known as the "Thomas Memorial" (in memory of David Thomas), and it now has a new name - "Fresh Ground, London, Church of the Nazarene".

The building retains its basic appearance, but has been completely refurbished with improvements that are both beautiful and practical. The foyer of the church has been very tastefully transformed unto a café area which leads to two outside patio areas, and above the café, and including the former balcony area, are offices and an apartment. The basement has had the floor lowered to create a more useful space – with toilet facilities, shower and kitchen.

The local pastor, Rev Jason Nike, has promoted the vision of 'Fresh Ground' and overseen all the planning and building work which from vision to completion has taken some 5 years. Jason comments, "...the name, Fresh Ground, is not only a great name for an establishment that serves freshly ground coffee, it also speaks of our approach to ministry....we felt that God was leading us to establish fresh ways of being the church in order to break new ground...our mission and task is 'to make Christlike disciples in community, through genuine friendships and compassion'."

And already God is blessing...a lot of interest has been shown in the transformed building with good contacts being made and Jane Ellison MP, local MP and Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Public Health, who attended the opening, was most impressed with the improvements and also with the ethos and purpose of intentionally fostering community – she promised her on-going interest and support.

Please pray for Fresh Ground – some requests are...getting the right staff and workers (employed and volunteer) for the café ministry, and that the community would find Fresh Ground to be a place of comfort and acceptance - where they will 'taste and see that the Lord is good!'



Fresh Ground Café



Some former members and friends of the "TM" including retired pastors – and 'Battersea Boys" – Rev Norman Salmons (centre front) and Rev Geoff Austin (centre back)

DISTRICT ASSEMBLIES

The two District Assemblies of the Church of the Nazarene were held in March 2016. The South District met in Dewsbury Minster (18th-19th March) and the North District in Paisley St Matthew's (18th-21st) March with General Superintendent, Dr Gustavo A. Crocker, presiding at both assembles. District Superintendents Rev David Montgomery (South District) and Rev Philip McAlister (North District) brought their annual reports and a total of 5 were Ordained to the Christian Ministry by the laying on of hands of the General Superintendent and all ordained ministers. Please note that printed copies of the District Journals for both districts are not available, but on-line versions can be obtained from the respective district offices.



South District Ordination Group (l.to r) Dr Gustavo Crocker, Clare McMullan &, Rev George McMullan (Ordinand - Ilkeston), Rev Marcia Correia (Ordinand) & Rev Jose Correia (Birmingham Zion), Rev Dennis Braham (Ordinand - Gillingham), Rev David Montgomery (DS), Rev Don Mentch (District Secretary)



North District Ordination Group. Seated (l.to r) Ordinands Rev Nicole McConkey (Bethany N. I.), Rev Shelley Kenny (Parkhead Team). Standing (l.to r) Dr Gustavo Crocker, Rev Rosemary Davidson (District Secretary), Rev Colin McConkey, Chris Kenny, Rev Philip McAlister (DS).

IN MEMORIAM



Rev Norman Robinson MM 1920-2016

Rev Norman Robinson MM began life in Keighley, West Yorks...and it was to Keighley he retired and where he passed away on 4th March 2016, age 96. Upon leaving school he served an apprenticeship as a compositor at a printers and developed sign-writing skills which were to be of use in the years to come. During the war he joined the Royal Scots Regiment and became a Medical Orderly – caring for people was what he preferred to do – serving in South Africa, Madagascar, India and Burma. In Madagascar, in spite of enemy fire from the Japanese forces and an order to retreat, Norman stayed with and helped a wounded comrade – an act of bravery and devotion for which he was awarded the Military Medal.

Feeling the call to ministry Norman Robinson trained at Emmanuel Bible College and was ordained to the Nazarene ministry in 1955. Early pastorates had been at Earlsfield, Chesterfield and Burnley, but following his marriage in 1955, to May Halden (who had been a member of Partick Bethel, Glasgow – the wedding was held in the Parkhead Nazarene church), pastorates were to follow in Heysham, Oldham, and Leeds (Hunslet). The Robinsons served the local church and the district church faithfully over a period of some 30 years. May Robinson passed away 26th March 2009, age 83.

Norman Robinson was a faithful pastor – a preacher of the Gospel and a shepherd of the flock. He was a gentle and caring man, but was not without his convictions. His life, testimony, and ministry have been a blessing and an encouragement to many and we thank God for every remembrance of him. He rests from his labours... Following interment a Service of Thanksgiving was held Thursday, 17th March, in the Keighley church conducted by the pastor, Rev John Yaxley.

RETIREMENT

A retirement party for Rev Don Mentch was held on Saturday 9th April at the Reffley Suite, Kings Lynn, attended by over 100 people with friends from the Thetford church sharing in the event. Originally from Erie, Pennsylvania, USA, Don came to the UK in 1975 and has stayed for 41 years. Ministry assignments in Cardiff, Southampton and Thetford were followed by a 31-year ministry in Kings Lynn during which time he ministered faithfully and was a caring pastor and friend to all.

The retirement party programme included a power-point presentation, "The Life and Times of Pastor Don" with interviews with founder members Noel McGivern and Michael Aldis, the cutting of a cake made by Kerry Scott, some Morris Dancing, a specially composed cheer-leader song performed by Phoebe Daniel (age 9), and a cheque from the church was presented by founder member, Esme Dixon, to help Don purchase a new car. Special prayer was offered for Don and for Pastor Steve Taylor (the new pastor). Rev Don Mentch continues to live in Kings Lynn and plans to support the work of the church.



Group picture with Rev Don Mentch (Centre)



Mentch cuts the cake with Patricia Hillard looking on - whose daughter, Kerry Scott, made the cake (both are members of the church)

Rev Don



Rev Don Mentch with Phoebe Daniel

NAZARENE THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

The College has a new logo which was launched in the Spring issue of The Link magazine. College Principal, Dr Deirdre Brower Latz writes, "Over the years every little while the college stops and reflects on how we describe ourselves - in words and pictures. The process of creating a logo went through a lot of stages: conversations, focus groups, student engagement, and designers gathered words: creative, dynamic, engaging, visionary, organic, faith, deep, rooted...and the picture they came up to reflect those descriptions (and more) is the new logo. It is linked with the recent past in colour - and moved away from the building to a much more organic and rooted, growing and distinctive tree - which reflects our present reality (and the Tree is based a bit on the one on the back lawn)! We are now branching out - with centres in lots of places. We are reaching people in new ways and we are helping people be so rooted that they can bear fruit in ministry all around the world".

FUND RAISING BANQUET

Over 50 invited guests met at the Parkhead church for a College Fund Raising Banquet on Friday, 4th March. Organised by Mary Wood, and assisted by fellow-governor lan Burleigh and his wife Rhonda, the event was attended by College representatives, Dr Deirdre Brower Latz



Rev. Colin H. Wood welcomes the guests



(Principal), Rev Louise Kenyon (Faculty Member) and Debi Green (Director of Development and Human Resources). This is probably the first of this kind of event, and the final total raised has exceeded the target of £5000. The excellent 3-course meal was prepared by Nancy Wilson (a former colleague and friend of the late Ruth Ross) and a team of waiters and waitresses from the Parkhead youth group, organised by Becky Dunphy, served the meal.

MINISTERS' SUMMER SCHOOL

This annual event was held 16th-19th May, and some 50 Nazarene pastors attended plus some visitors from the Methodist Church. Based on the theme "Renew", speakers included, Dr Calvin Samuel (Academic Dean of Cranmer Hall and Director of the Wesley Study Centre, St John's College, Durham), and Rev Gerard Kelly (pastor, missionary, poet and author now based in N. W. France). Rev Colin Duffy (Dewsbury) comments, "The devotions, seminars, meals and conversations (over Costa coffee) all contributed to an overall encouraging, challenging & recharging experience" and Rev Nathan Payne (Ardrossan) says, "Summer School this year was the best I've ever been to. We have some incredibly gifted preachers and teachers in the Church of the Nazarene, but it was very refreshing this year to hear from people outside our own denomination."



Summer School Participants

SYDNEY MARTIN LECTURE



(l.to r) Dr Deirdre Brower Latz (Principal), Dr Helen Cameron, Dr Julie Lunn (College Chaplain and Lecturer - who has recently obtained her PhD which was on the topic "'Simply resign'd and lost in God': Resignation and Sanctification in the hymns of Charles Wesley")

In addition to the good number gathered in the Maclagan Chapel many others followed this annual lecture online, on Tuesday evening, 17th May. Salvation Army scholar, Dr Helen Cameron (Head of Public Affairs for the Salvation Army), spoke on "Justice Seeking: Practical Politics for Local Churches." Rev Karl Stanfield (Manchester) comments, "Dr Helen Cameron's 'Justice Seeking' lecture was inspiring, helping us to see the important contributions that interests in the political arena can make in today's world."

TRIPS AND TRAVELS

ISRAEL

As part of his sabbatical break Dr Dwight Swanson (NTC Senior Lecturer) spent the first four months of this year in the Middle East, spending nearly 3 months giving pastoral support to the Jerusalem Church of the Nazarene during the absence of the pastor Rev Shahade Twal. In addition to leading the weekly English speaking service at the church, Dr Swanson, who is also the Co-Director of the Manchester Centre for the Study of Christianity & Islam, was able to study Arabic, develop relationships in the area, and engage in research on the Dead Sea Scrolls.



Jerusalem Church – one of 3 Nazarene churches in Israel



Dr Dwight & Kathy Swanson at the oasis of Ein Gedi

LONDON

Canon Phil Rawlings (Co-Director of the Manchester Centre for the Study of

Christian & Islam, based at the College, and interfaith officer for the Church of England in Oldham) was one of more than 100 religious leaders invited to a reception celebrating Easter on 23rd March at 10 Downing Street, hosted by the Prime Minister. Rev Rawlings comments, "...it was a fascinating experience...the reception Canon created opportunities for leaders in the faith Rawlings at 'No community in the UK to become acquainted 10° with each other...I met some of the Prime Minister's advisors who are very committed Christians which I found really encouraging."



CROATIA

Rev Geoff & Jane Austin (Ardrossan) visited Croatia over the Easter period...partly for family reunion but also to visit the Church of the Nazarene in Zagreb. Rev Betsy Scott, who is the



Zagreb Church of the Nazarene

pastor of the church, and her husband Dave have been in Croatia for the past 5 years, and a group of approx 25 make up the church congregation and there are also programmes held for women and children. (Dave Scott's sister, Angela, is married to Jonathan Austin - who work as missionaries in Chad, in North Central Africa).

SAIPAN

William and Sarah Robinson left at the beginning of June for Saipan as Nazarene Volunteers. Saipan is located in the Pacific Ocean East of the Philippines and is part of the Asia-Pacific Region of the church. Initially working alongside missionaries. Dave and Helen Ann Bucher, the Robinsons will assume a leadership role when the Buchers go on furlough. The Church of the Nazarene began work in Saipan in 2000. Sarah is a licenced William and minister in the Church of the Nazarene Pastor Sarah and William is a N. Ireland Nazarene - the Robinson. Robinsons ask that we remember them in prayer.



MOZAMBIQUE

Paul & Lynne Salmons (Sheffield), and Paul's sister Alison Cade and her husband Martin. made a nostalgic visit Mozambique to last



A great crowd gatners outside the District Centre in Furancungo

year to visit childhood haunts. It was in 1949 that their father, Rev Norman Salmons, went to South Africa as a missionary with the International Holiness Mission and in 1952 he was joined by, and was married to, Joan Hill. Some 17 years of missionary service were to follow in South Africa and Mozambique with the IHM and the Church of the Nazarene. The family left the mission field in 1969. Paul and Alison had spent much of their childhood in the Furancungo, Tete, area of Northern Mozambique and this was a trip taken after an absence of 46 years. Other places visited included, South Africa, Zimbabwe and Malawi. Some retired pastors and older church members remembered the ministry of the Salmons, and people from all around - one pastor travelled for 2 days - came to meet Paul and Alison, and to share in a specially arranged 3-day conference at which Paul, Alison and Martin took part. Rev Norman Salmons, who is now 96, has been delighted to hear of the news of the church in Mozambique - in this one area of two Nazarene districts there are over 300 Nazarene churches and approximately 34,000 members.

JORDAN



Philadelphia Church of the Nazarene – one of a dozen Nazarene churches in Jordan - (l.to r) Majeda & Rev Afeef Halasah, Emma Burleigh, Anne and her brother Mukhles, Ashleigh Smith

Emma Burleigh and Ashleigh Smith (Parkhead) spent 10 days in Jordan at the beginning of June, visiting the Halasah family - Anne Halasah studied in Scotland over the past year and this was a reciprocal visit. Anne's father, Rev Afeef Halasah is a graduate of our College in Manchester, and has planted and supervised nine Nazarene churches in Jordan, and, in 1998, founded the "Arabs for the Arabs" ministry. Emma and Ashleigh had an "amazing time" and are grateful to Anne, and her parents, Afeef and Majeda, for their hospitality.

SPORTS DAY

It was another great day at the Ayrshire Athletics Arena on Saturday, 21st May, for the North District Sunday School Sports. Winning teams in recent years have been Irvine, and, for the past 3 years Perth...but this



The winners - 'Team Parkhead'

expressed to Jordan Dickson (Sports Director) and his team the legendary umpire. of helpers for all their hard work making it a successful day.

NEW MEMBERS AT GRIMSBY

Earlier this year McRae and Neil Stamp were welcomed into the membership of the Grimsby Church of the Nazarene. Sarah is the daughter of Rev Andrew and Jan McRae.



McRae, Neil Stamp

BARNSLEY VISITOR

Barnsley born cricketing legend Dr Harold "Dickie" Bird OBE visited the children at the Barnsley church on Monday evening, 7th March, to talk about his life and love of sport. The children had raised £75 for The Dickie Bird Foundation which seeks to assist young people under 16 years of age to participate in sport. Dickie Bird answered all the questions put to him by the children and each child year, out of 7 teams, Parkhead were the winners! Thanks are received a signed photograph of themselves taken with



(Lto r) Sarah McRae, Rev Andrew Barnsley children with Dickie Bird (r) - with Rev Ian & Sharon Newton (far left)

NEW BOOKS

THEOLOGY HISTORICAL AND Systematic —(Mp)—

Dictionary The New Theology 2nd Edition was published April 2016 by Inter Varsity Press. Originally published in 1988, this new edition has been substantially expanded and revised to focus on a variety of theological themes. thinkers movements. Over 300 scholars have contributed to this new work which is one-third larger than its predecessor. Dr T.A

Noble - lecturer in Theology at Nazarene Theological College and Nazarene Theological Seminary - is one of the 5 Editors, and a number of Nazarene scholars are among the contributors, including Dr David Rainey (former NTC lecturer), Dr Steve McCormick (NTS), Dr Harold Raser (NTS), Dr Samuel Powell (Point Loma Nazarene University) and Rev Gift Mtukwa (Africa Nazarene University, Kenya). And Marjory Szurko, Oxford University Librarian and daughter of former NTC Principal, Dr Hugh Rae, has contributed an item on John Keble, the English churchman and poet who was one of the leaders of the Oxford Movement, which endeavoured to reaffirm the importance of the sacraments and liturgy within Anglicanism.

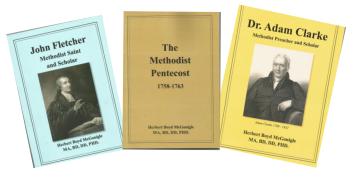
Dr Herbert McGonigle has recently added 3 new titles to his series on the Wesleyan awakening and evangelical leaders. 'Dr Adam Clark - Methodist Preacher and Scholar' (98 pages), 'The Methodist Pentecost - 1758-1763' (65 pages), 'John Fletcher - Methodist Saint and Scholar' (67 pages). Copies of these and other titles by Dr McGonigle can be obtained from Dr McGonigle, c/o Nazarene Theological College, Manchester.

APPOINTMENT



Pastor Bev Fitzjohn

PastorBevFitzjohn(co-pastor-Govan) has been appointed to represent the Church of the Nazarene on the Scottish World Day of Prayer Committee. Our denomination in Scotland was, for a number of years, represented by Rev Margaret Vosper. The World Day of Prayer is a prayer movement carried out by Christian women in more than 180 countries and over 1000 languages. The next Day of Prayer will be on 3rd March 2017.



BARLINNIE BIBLE CLASS

In the early 1950s a young Scottish Christian Businessman, Gordon Haxton, became a member of the team conducting the Sunday afternoon Bible Class at Glasgow's infamous Barlinnie Prison – a ministry that had been started around 1920 by Dr David McIntyre (Principal (1913-1938) of The Bible Training Institute, Glasgow,). Gordon was soon to become the leader, a position he has held for some 65 years. A speaker and a concertina player, Gordon was awarded the MBE in 2002 for 'Services to Prison Welfare at H.M.P. Barlinnie'. George Fotheringham, a longstanding member of the Parkhead Nazarene church, has been a member of the team for over 45 years and comments, "...it has been very rewarding and fulfilling to be a part of this ministry." Sadly, as a result of new regulations and requirements at the Prison these two men are having to step down from this weekly Gospel ministry - their final Sunday is 26th June. However, it is hoped that the younger members of the team will be able to "Examples of faithfulness" - (l.to r) Gordon continue this vital ministry which will soon have been in existence for 100 years. Haxton MBE & George Fotheringham - both



octogenarians

BLEND - A COMMUNITY MINISTRY

Although the priority of the two BLEND Coffee Lounges in Scotland – Perth and Paisley – is to provide first class coffee and outstanding customer service, there is a ministry ethos surrounding the business approach which can be found in the term "BLEND" - which is an acronym for, Bless, Listen, Eat, Nurture and Dare. Both businesses have been set up by Nazarenes who have been concerned to reach communities in new and creative ways.

The Perth lounge began in August 2013 and is located on one of Perth's main streets. With a seating capacity of 50 and a pool of some dozen staff and volunteers, the lounge is open daily. One of the 4 Directors, Sundeep Salins, says, "BLEND is about empowering people to be the best they can be and about creating a Kingdom space in society that nourishes everyday people. It is about people being able to explore their faith and what it means in their outside the Perth lounge (l.to r) Rev Alan everyday living and with each other."

The Paisley lounge was officially opened on Friday, 24th July 2015, and is located on a city centre street and seats 49 inside, with the option of a dozen seating outside. Rev Alan Baird and Rev Derrick Thames are the Managing Director and Assistant Manager respectively - both are members of the Erskine ministry team - and there is a total staff of 14, including some who are volunteers through the Greater Europe Mission and Nazarene Mission Corps. Rev Alan Baird comments, "The spiritual dimension is crucial in all that we do, as everything that has happened is all down to God's grace and goodness."

BLEND in Perth or Paisley would love to have you visit and enjoy a good cup of coffee!



BLEND Paisley at night



Perth & Paisley BLEND Directors/Managers Baird, Sundeep Salins, Rev Derrick Thames, **Gregor Banks**



Inside BLEND Perth

CRAMLINGTON BAPTISM



The North Sea...Pastor Ben Goodwin (1) & Stuart McPhail baptising Nathan Gulliver

An Easter Sunday North Sea baptism was attended by about 50 people with onlookers watching from the promenade at Blyth Beach, Northumberland. Pastor Ben Goodwin assisted by Stuart MacPhail, baptised 3 candidates who gave public witness to their faith in Jesus Christ. Those baptised were, Shannon Burns, Nathan Gulliver and Scott Swan. It was a wonderful time of witness and celebration... and Pastor Goodwin comments, "...the sea was absolutely freezing.

INDUCTIONS

HEYSHAM

The induction of Rev Trevor J. Christians to the Heysham pastorate took place on Saturday, 28th May. Trevor & his wife, Twyla, have been volunteer pastors in the Morley church for the past two years. Originally from South Africa, and Twyla from the USA, Rev Christians has served in four churches on the Western Cape (South Africa) district over a 20 year period. It has been over 12 years since the Heysham church had its own pastor - Rev Phyllis Hanna took early retirement on health grounds in 2002 and passed away in January 2005.



(l.to r) Twyla & Rev Trevor Christians, Karen Carter & Gladys Barlett (seated) - both longstanding member of the church - Rev David Montgomery DS.

SHEFFIELD

Rev Tim Burton was inducted to the Sheffield Heeley Church on Saturday, 11th June. The service was held in the Gleadless Valley Methodist Church and was conducted by Rev David Montgomery, DS. Building and refurbishment work on the Nazarene property is nearing completion and services will resume in the building on 3rd July (a re-dedication service is planned for Sunday 4th September).

The Burtons come originally from New Zealand and have been in the Nazarene ministry for some 20 years. A graduate of Nazarene Theological College, Brisbane, Australia, Tim has served in associate and lead pastor positions in New Zealand and Australia and his wife, Aroha, is a registered nurse. The Burtons have two adult daughters who both reside in Perth, Australia. We welcome Tim & Aroha to the British Isles.



Prayer is offered for the Burtons as members of the Church Board gather round

IMPORTANT DATES

2016

CHILDREN'S CAMP (ND)

Auchengillan 2nd-8th July

CHILDREN'S CAMP (SD)

Alton Castle 25th-28th July

NYUK HOLIDAY (SD)

Quinta 30th July -5th August

BREAKTHRU

Ellesmere College 14th-21st August

NORTHBREAK Lancaster 30th July-5th August

INSPIRE (ND) 3rd September - Erskine

M+POWER TRAINING Sofia, Bulgaria

4th-7th September

COLLEGE GRADUATION

Rev Peter Read 15th October

NYUK NTC HOUSEPARTY

21st-23rd October (SD & ND)

DIDSBURY LECTURES

Professor Michael Gorman 24th-27th October

CHRISTMAS NYI EVENT (ND)

Erskine 10th December

2017

INSPIRE (ND - N. IRELAND) 21st January

DARE TO DREAM 2 & DISTRICT ASSEMBLIES Weekend 18th-19th March

PASTOR'S SUMMER SCHOOL 22nd - 25th May - NTC

GENERAL ASSEMBLY Indianapolis USA 21st-30th June

RETIREMENTS

Rev L. Richard Porter officially retired earlier this year after 16 years of ministry in the Church of the Nazarene as preacher, mentor, educator and associate pastor serving in the Parkhead (Glasgow), Megain Memorial (Belfast) churches, and teaching at Nazarene Theological College and Belfast Bible College. Originally from the USA he served for 4 years in the US Navy and spent a couple of years in Israel working in a kibbutz before coming to the UK in 1985. Following a call to preach Richard obtained degrees at NTC (BA) and at Queen's University Belfast (MTh). Richard and Karen - who were married in 1997 - have relocated out of Belfast to the rural area of Muckamore, Co Antrim. The property, built in 1740, has been a school, an Inn, and a B&B...and the Porters are now using it as a retreat house and a place of ministry to serve the church and the Kingdom. The words "Pray, Refresh, Rest, Heal, Restore" describe the ministry and already the Ulster Fraternal has used "The Moat Inn" for their monthly meeting. The Porters are members of the Megain Memorial Church of the Nazarene, Belfast - may God bless them in this ongoing ministry.



The Moat Inn



Rev Richard and Karen Porter

Rev Caroline McAfee has retired after serving for 20 years as a Chaplain at the Northern Ireland Hospice, Belfast. A trained nurse, Caroline felt the call to ministry and began working as a volunteer chaplain in 1995. The position became more formal in 1996 and was made a permanent post in 1997. Rev Caroline McAfee was ordained in 1997 and in 2002 she was appointed senior chaplain. During these past 14 years her role has included coordinating the chaplaincy programme at the Hospice and ministering herself to patients and their families as well as to Hospice staff. Over 60 met at the Hospice on Thursday afternoon, 16th June, for a farewell reception when words of appreciation and thanks for Caroline's ministry were brought from representative of the Hospice - doctors, nursing and auxiliary staff, social workers, fellow chaplains and from the Board of Trustees. Former District Superintendents, Rev John Paton and Rev Colin H. Wood represented the Church of the Nazarene. Caroline, and her husband David, are members of the Carrickfergus Church of the Nazarene...may God's blessing be upon them in the days to come.



(l.to r) Rev John Paton, David & Rev Caroline McAfee, Rev Jim Armstrong (Hospice Chaplain), Rev Colin H Wood

U.S. VISIT

During a visit to Kansas City in May, TOGETHER assistant editor, Irvine Boal, was able to meet some 'ex-pat Brits' as well as visit the 'Global Ministry Center' of the Church of the Nazarene. Staying with Alan and Aileen Douglas (former members of the Parkhead, Glasgow, church) Irvine enjoyed fellowship with retired ministers, Rev Frank Morley (former pastor in the UK and Denmark), and Rev Philip Bedwell who was a missionary pastor and educator in South Africa before moving to minister in the States. Philip Bedwell's parents, Rev H. Kenneth & Margaret Bedwell, were IHM & Nazarene missionaries for many years in South Africa and Swaziland (Kenneth Bedwell began ministry as an IHM Trekker in 1928 and became an influential preacher, College Principal and author).



Rev Philip Bedwell (I) with Irvine Boal