February 2016

Dear friends of Crowhurst Christian Healing Centre,

We wish you all God's rich blessings for 2016!

The turn of the year is a good opportunity to look back at the old and look forward to the new. As we look back over 2015 we are so grateful to our faithful God for what He has done through the year at the Centre. Many, many, people have received healing, found freedom in Christ, and experienced His tender love in a rich deep way. We are privileged to see God's hand at work daily! The 'new Art Room' has been appreciated by many of our guests; they went to paint and met Jesus there too!

We would like to repeat out heartfelt thanks for your generous Gift Day donations of 2015; it has enabled us to do 'new things', as outlined below:

Our **Outreach programme** is progressing. The new e. Learning course commenced in January 2016 with a full complement of 20 students, (and there is a waiting list for the next course!). We can now video talks and services from the chapel and put them onto our website. We have many enquiries from churches and groups to lead teaching days in their home churches, and for groups to come to the Centre for teaching. Additionally, we have 4 people enquiring about having a placement at Crowhurst as part of their training, and of course they then take Jesus' healing message back to their churches.

On the February 9<sup>th</sup> we Rededicated our new **Prayer Rooms**, refurbished from a rather tired games room. These will be a wonderful space **for all** to come and receive prayer for healing. The **'old Art room'** is currently undergoing refurbishment to create a quiet place of prayer, ('Shalom'); a place of peace to meet and hear the whisper of Father God. We hope it will be completed by Easter.

**Car Parking**; we now have heavy duty matting laid on the grass on the right hand side of the drive as you come in. This will allow us to park there in the winter months as well as the rest of the year.

God's miracle at Crowhurst continues. Following an 8-month period in which we had no legacies, we received a letter in late January advising that we will benefit from a substantial legacy later this year! We have been just so amazed, and so thankful once again, at God's generosity and timing!

**2016**: a new year, maybe a new season, a new shape for Crowhurst? We prayerfully believe we are moving in the flow of God's direction. A regular visitor said just recently "it is wonderful to see Crowhurst thriving", and another said "we have just been waiting for this time to see it soar once again"! We praise our gracious God!

However, we are aware of a prompting from God, that He may have a different shape for Crowhurst. The 'ancient path', the Place of God's healing, of course remains but perhaps it will look a little different?

You will recollect from our publicity last year, (regarding our Gift Day 2015), that the Centre runs at a regular deficit of £10,000 per month, which is at least £100,000 per year! Our Expenditure far exceeds our regular Income, which is not a godly principle, and not one we wish to live by. Whilst we are a faith ministry, depending on God's provision, we believe God has bought us to this place where we need to prayerfully look again and consider the 'Shape' of Crowhurst for the future. At the time of writing we don't know for certain what God has in mind, but please come alongside us, and pray with us, as we seek His face, His will. We are thrilled with God's provision of this legacy, but also convinced that He is calling us to examine how we use what He has provided.

Please, dear friends, be assured, we continue to trust in our faithful God. We have seen His amazing grace flow so often in the past and The Miracle of Crowhurst continues; we believe that in this exciting time He will grow and develop 'new shape' for His ongoing work! We are indeed so grateful for your love and prayers, please continue to pray that we might capture His vision, and if you wish to donate 'oil' to enable the lamp to keep burning, we would of course be very thankful indeed.

With our love and gratitude *Steve*Steve Gendall
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