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QUARRY NEWS

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year in arrears to you, your family and all of your loved ones. This is Pastors Uche and Mary sending you our heartfelt greetings.

We hope you had a great holiday season.

Yes, we know that this is the second edition of this newsletter that you are receiving within the same week. That's because the one you received a short while previously was meant to have gone out some months ago in 2023 but never did for a number of unavoidable reasons. We nevertheless still thought it contained some good stuff and that it should still go, albeit months late.

Welcome to 2024! We want to take this opportunity like the apostle Paul did with the church at Corinth to remind all of you who are reading this newsletter *you that you have been called by God to be His own holy people (1 Corinthians 1:2). He made you holy by means of Christ Jesus, just as he did for all people everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace.*

Mary and I are eternally thankful to God for you and that He has allowed us to be connected to you through this medium and face to face, some of you for many years. We are thankful for the gracious gifts that you are and have been to us in Christ. Being in fellowship with you enriches our lives in more ways than we can count. Thank you!





This year a great amount of work lies ahead of us all. We promised in the previous edition of this newsletter that we would keep you updated on what's *currently* going on. Well, here's some of it. Mary and I have for the last seven months been meeting online weekly with a group of other believers as part of something called *Church Planting Academy*.

We have found this an invaluable resource in preparing ourselves for this church planting endeavour that we hope to re embark upon at some point this year. We have been on a break from *CPA* over the holiday period but will resume at the end of this month with an *in-person* residential in Exeter. We see from the gospels that one of Jesus' first actions on starting His ministry was to put together a team, Peter, James, John etc and then train them for ministry. We feel like we are Jesus' team for the times that we are in today and we're allowing Him to train us. We hope to invite some of you with time to train too.

The Quarry Church Board of Trustees (Directors) also continues to meet, learn the administrative ropes and Charity Commission requirements as well as carry out various administrative tasks.

In the meantime, we continue to pray, and we implore you to join us and do the same too. The prayer points include for the will for God for this church to continue to be revealed and established, for God to bring the right people to serve, and for a building, musical and other equipment and for finances.

The Quarry
is a new
church plant
or replant
but still with
the same
mission of
Building
God's
People,
Using God's
Word.



THE QUARRY



Again, please continue to pray for us as this church plant/replant plays out, that God would establish the work. As we mentioned in the previous edition of this newsletter, we are currently looking for a meeting place for lease in the Tendring or Colchester areas of Essex and their environs. Pray that we're successful in finding a suitable meeting place. Also please prayerfully consider if there might be some way that you can help, serve, or otherwise support the mission, including with a financial gift. There are details below of how you could do so.

Please consider making a one-time gift or setting up a regular standing order.

We are currently in the process of exploring and setting up other digital/electronic ways that you can give financially. We will share more details of these as they come online.

Keep an eye out for the next edition of this newsletter in a month's time when we'll be updating you further.

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Why not also join our monthly Burden Bearers Zoom prayer meeting on the 2nd Saturday of every month.

Zoom id: 975 054 6760
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Here's a link to our new but still under construction website: <https://thequarry.org.uk/>

Finally, know that *you are blessed because you know the Lord. Join us in declaring, "Maranatha"; (our Lord, come!).*

May the grace of the Lord Jesus be with you.

Our love to all of you in Christ Jesus. (1 Corinthians 16:22 – 24)