

## 2008 NEWS ARCHIVE – Aylesbury Methodist Church and Centre

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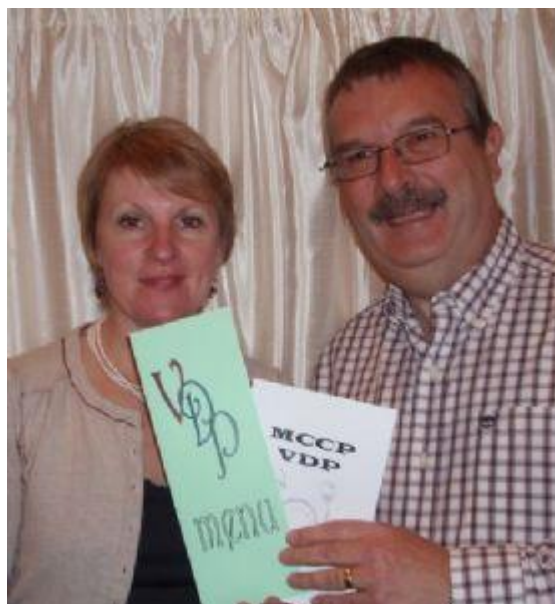
**Princes Risborough** had an Open Day to celebrate the completion of their refurbishment. The glass front, enhanced church, new kitchen and extended back drew admiring comments from members and Circuit friends. The old and new can be compared on their princes Risborough web page, [click here](#).



**New home for Cards for Good Causes**  
The former Ramblers's store in Buckingham Street Aylesbury is this year's home for Cards for Good Causes. The £1 million redevelopment of Aylesbury Methodist Church's premises has meant that after 20 years there, they had to find a new temporary ([...more](#))

### When is October 18th?

Bernstone (pictured left) are Virtual Dinner Party to raise Aylesbury Church's new centre. The basis of the idea is day (October 18th) at the same will all share grace and the their own homes. "The joy of it said Derek, "is that we can when the 18th of October is! [details](#) and menu information.)



Lynn and Derek organizing a funds for the community that on the same time (8pm) they same meal in being virtual," decide exactly ([Click for more](#))

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**Queen's Badge for Brigader.** Stephen Angood, a 18 year-old member of our Aylesbury church's Boys' Brigade has achieved the national youth organization's highest award. He was presented with his Queen's Badge at the Harvest Festival service by the Queen's representative, Sir Henry Aubrey Fletcher Bt. JP, Lord Lieutenant of Buckinghamshire, pictured left. ([...more](#)).

**Minister leads Sunday parking fee protest.** Rev. David Jenkins, our Superintendent Minister and Chair of Churches Together in Aylesbury has written to AVDC about ([...more](#)).

**Princes Risborough find the sun.** ([...more](#))



**More Outreach.** Our Princes Risborough church (left), Aylesbury church (below left) and Stoke Hammond church are all at various stages of building redevelopment. This will help to increase their outreach into their respective communities.



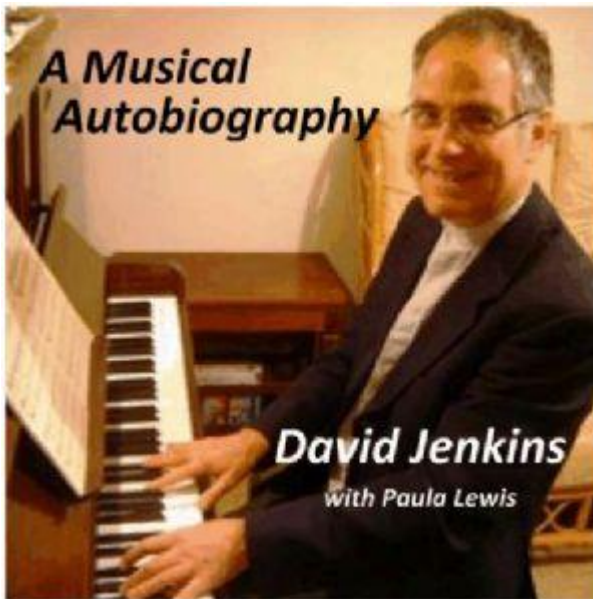
Latest to start was Aylesbury where contractors Francis Construction have begun the £1 million project. Architect Michelle Youngman from Compton Lacey (chairing the site meeting shown) believes that since being on site since 21st July the contractor is making good progress. For more details of the Aylesbury Site Visit Report [click here](#) and for explanatory photos [click here](#). For more Princes Risborough pictures, [click here](#).

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**All in favour...** Aylesbury's Church Council give the go ahead for the building ([...more](#))



**Minister's CD for Aylesbury's Community Centre Project.** Rev. David Jenkins, our Circuit Superintendent Minister has released his second CD to help raise funds for our £1 million community centre redevelopment. It is the result of pressure from church members following his 'stunning performance' in concert in 2007. For more information or to buy a copy [click here](#).

**The 7th May organ concert** by Joseph Nolan, Organist of Perth Cathedral Australia and former Organist of Her Majesty's Chapels Royal was the last major event before our refurbishment of our community centre. ([...more](#))



**FROM CALVARY TO GLORY**, a Choral Act of Worship was presented by a large choir at our Buckingham Street Church on Sunday 20 April. The 40 singers from the Aylesbury Vale Methodist Circuit and friends from other local choirs were led by Music Director & Conductor is **Chris Beattie**. Soprano Soloist was **Fiona Prescott** and the Organist was **Derrick Matthews**. The sequence depicted the story of Christ from his death upon the cross to his ascension into heaven and incorporated well known hymns and appropriate Bible readings. The choral items included 'Ave Verum' by Mozart, 'Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring' by Bach, 'All in an April Evening' by Roberton and 'The Hallelujah

Chorus' by Handel. All proceeds went to 'Headway' the charity of The Brain Injury Association. Listen to choral items [...Proclaim the Glory](#)



**Easter Celebration:**

Church Stewards and members of the Aylesbury congregation dress the Easter cross with flowers before the Easter morning communion service led by Rev. David Jenkins.

This celebration of Christ's love for all people followed a series of special events on **Good Friday**. Between 10am and 3pm people dropped in and out for mainly half hour sessions of worship, Easter music, meditations, prayers and readings.

**17th May Visit of the Vice President of the Methodist Conference**

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**£325,000 Big Lottery Fund grant for Aylesbury Community Centre** [\(..more\)](#) **2008 Fund-raising programme** [\(..more\)](#)

**For Community Building Fund News** [\(click here\)](#)

**Kenyan Report.** Rev. Bill and Joy Murphy have now returned from their visit to Kenya. They were assessing the impact of recent conflicts on their Karibuni Trust projects for street children. Whilst most of their work has been able to continue and there is more stability now, there were some harrowing experiences for people out there. The original hopes of taking a party of 13 to visit and work at some sites has had to be cancelled for this year. [\(..more\)](#)



**New Year's Day walk.** Members of our Aylesbury Church enjoyed what is now an annual New Year's Day walk followed by a soup and pudding lunch. It is part of the fund-raising programme for the M CCP (community centre project). The lunch at the home of M CCP Chair Peter Farmer.