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Kent Workplace Mission is a registered charity which is an LEP and Mission Partner of Churches Together in Kent.

It is a community of Christians from different denominations who are committed to living out Jesus discipleship in the workplaces of Kent, Medway, Bexley and Bromley. We are convinced that God's love for the world includes where we do our daily work.

Over the course of 2018 Kent Workplace Mission has had an average of 45 chaplains serving a number of workplaces across Kent. These chaplains work either as part of a team or individually. The locations where KWM chaplains serve are varied and include shopping centres, large transport hubs and a power station.

Locations of KWM chaplains

- ASDA stores in Ashford and Ramsgate
- BAE Systems, Rochester
- Bexleyheath Town Centre
- Bluewater, Dartford
- Dartford Shopping Centres
- Dungeness B Power Station
- Eurotunnel, Folkestone
- Fremlin Walk shopping mall, Maidstone
- Gravesham Borough Council
- Maidstone Hospital
- The Marlowe Theatre, Canterbury
- Medway Council and Medway Crematorium, Chatham
- Port of Dover
- Rapport (formerly Abbeyfield) care home, Connors House at Canterbury
- Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council

The day-to-day work of the chaplain is in meeting people where they are and making connections with them, whether they have faith or not. It is being known to be a non-judgemental listening ear that someone can turn to when they are in need. To get to this point relationships need to be established and built up in a quiet way over time – this is the work of a chaplain: to be there. To be an 'intentional presence'.

On the pages that follow are reports from the KWM Lead Chaplain and some of the chaplaincies and chaplains supported by Kent Workplace Mission.

KWM Lead Chaplain

Gary Colville

It's amazing that a full year has now passed for me as Lead Chaplain. Many highlights and also a few challenges to report back on this year follow.

A major highlight was the new beginning of the Dartford Town Centre Chaplaincy and the six Chaplains commissioned prayerfully in the Shopping Centre in Dartford. We have trained them, prayed with and continued to show our care and support toward them over this past year and please pray with us that this will go from strength to strength under the pastoral leadership of Pastor Liz Kingsley and support from Mark our new Bluewater Chaplain.



Dartford Chaplains after their commissioning

L to R: Julius, Kehinde, Cllr Ann, Lady Mayoress Ellen, Mayor David, Liz, Mary, Florence and Alexander

The latter part of this year has been a big challenge for us this year as we said farewell to Ella after what was a good and productive year of being Lead Chaplain at Bluewater. It was a pleasure to offer her supervision and support during her time with us and there is again much to thank God for in this. Thank you, Ella, and God bless in your continued ministry with the Methodist Church.

The process to appoint a new Lead Chaplain was both robust and considerate and has led to a good appointment that we will hear more about in the next year. Welcome Mark and God bless him in joining the KWM team. Thanks to everyone who played a part and especially to Jacky who had to do it all again! Well done Jacky.

For a short time, I tried to offer my support to the Chaplains at Bluewater and led them through a couple of times of prayer and reflection. With the other half of my role as an Interim Minister with Rochester Diocese it was impossible to offer the time that was needed to invest in this important chaplaincy provision. We agreed therefore to invite the Revd

Malcolm Cooper to return as Interim himself at Bluewater and with the full support of the management and ourselves he provided much needed cover from December to February. Thank you, Malcolm.

We have had the usual opportunities for training, quiet days, the conference and also, we have provided many opportunities for ministers in training to explore chaplaincy and the modern-day mission and ministry it provides for the church. I have personally supervised a Baptist Minister in his training through a placement with Kent Police and it was perhaps a fitting end to my time as a Police Chaplain that concluded after seven years and over three as Lead Chaplain in December. I hope and pray that KWM will continue to offer Kent Police Chaplains support into this New Year also.

I look forward to continuing to offer my support to Jacky and Mark as colleagues and to KWM as long as my Bishop allows me!

I did want to say a big thank you to John, David, Alan and Jacky, the OPS group, who with me maintain the forward momentum and mission of KWM. I thank all the Trustees who have put up with my requests to come and be part of it in a variety of ways. As we look forward to this next year giving the assurance, assessment and accreditation to Chaplaincy across Kent, Bexley and Bromley I commit myself to the task.

Peace and Good, Gary



ASDA, Ashford

I continue to visit the ASDA store, attached to the Outlet Centre in Ashford, twice weekly spending approximately an hour there on each occasion. As many of the colleagues are part-time or work shifts I am able to liaise with several of them over the two days. Most of the problems I hear about are concerned with work or are personal worries leading to depression.

On a positive note several colleagues have admitted that they believe in God although not churchgoers. Their belief helps them through the not-so-good times, and they are not averse to me praying for them at a weekly prayer meeting I attend. Some also show interest in the work I do elsewhere.

I, myself, have gained during the years going to the store. As well as learning about the ups and downs of the retail business I have made friends who appreciate the store having a chaplain.

Joy Brumwell



BAE Systems, Rochester

Over the past year I have continued making chaplaincy visits on alternate Tuesdays to the BAE Systems, Rochester site. During such visits, some meetings with staff members are pre-arranged but most occur spontaneously, as circumstances allow. I loosely focus on relationships with individuals or groups where support may be helpful. Lunchtime in the restaurant often provides opportunity for worthwhile conversations.

There are currently approximately 1400 employees on site, many of whom are with long service. During the year a number of staff left with whom I had been in regular contact, including some whose departure was in-part linked with significant health issues. I understand that at present there are expectations for significant recruitment in some areas, which is encouraging after the pattern of reducing numbers over the past decade.

I maintain a regular contact with Human Resource and Occupational Health staff and try to keep abreast of significant developments. I recognise that OH support a broad-based approach to staff wellbeing, and I am also aware of some specific OH support at an individual level including certain cases of staff with mental health problems.

The annual Rochester Site Christmas Carol Concert was held on 10th December with music once again provided by the BAE Brass Band, ably supported by the site Ukulele Group.



Various staff contributed with readings, making this a good evening of Christmas celebration enhanced by active audience participation.

I also see my site visiting as an extension of my membership of St Justus Church, Rochester since the BAE site lies within the Church of England parish boundary for this church. I was pleased recently that BAE agreed security clearance to enable me to be accompanied over the coming months on site visits by Adam Pyrke, a trainee ordinand on placement at St Justus.

Photo: Alec Hollingdale with Revd Dr Helen Burn, Vicar of St Justus

I have participated as a KWM chaplain at several events during the year, notably: the KWM Annual Conference, which had a mental health awareness theme; the Workers Memorial Day Service in Rochester Castle grounds, an event being increasingly supported by

representatives from various faith groups within Medway; and in mounting and decorating a KWM themed tree for a Christmas Tree Festival at St Justus Church.

Alec Hollingdale



Bexleyheath

I started visiting Asda's on Friday 21st September with the agreement of the management and since that time have tried to visit the store between two or three times a week, at roughly the same time of the day. The store has about 250 employees and they work shifts from very early in the morning (about 6am) to about 10pm. In consequence I cannot see everybody, but I do the best I can with regard to the time I have.

I found that by walking round the store at roughly the same time each visit and wearing a pair of brightly coloured braces and saying 'good morning' to those I saw I became recognised by most of the staff some of whom now talking to me. I learn a lot about their aged parents, grandkids and the 'old man's operations' to come. Some of the staff appear to have language difficulties and may be wary of talking to a stranger. It takes time!

John Ormes

We started about a year before John and we visit as many of the smaller shops which cluster near ASDA as we can. We visit (either together or separately) each week and have had the advantage of being able to get to know some of the staff fairly well as the shops are mainly open 9 am to 5 pm with more or less the same staff every day.

It has been a privilege to share in the joys of grandchildren being born, the worries about health, the financial problems suffered by any small business as well as the insecurity caused by a series of burglaries and attempted burglaries. One member of staff recently asked to visit the church to light a candle and say a prayer after the unexpected death of a family member and we are trying to stay in touch with her more frequently at the moment.

How would we define chaplaincy? Time-consuming, tiring, having to be prepared to get cold and wet – but always a joy.

John and Marilyn Ormes



Chaplaincy Service at Bluewater

The Chaplaincy Service at Bluewater (CSAB) team during 2018 was:

Chaplains

Ella Sibley (Lead Chaplain and Senior Management and Facilities Management [excluding Security])

Prince Brown-Engmann (Security)

John Eni-Uwubame

David Green (Upper Rose Gallery)

John Hougham (House of Fraser)

Mary Olowu (Restaurants, cafes and eateries)

Kelvin Ediale (John Lewis)

Jacqueline Littlewood (The Village)

Michael Dale (Marks and Spencer)

Paul Winchester (Lower Rose Gallery)

Valerie Winchester (Upper Thames Walk)

Jan Foreman (Lower Guildhall)

Chaplaincy Partners

Alistair Gregory (Chair of Bluewater Community Forum)

Sidra Naeem (Muslim Chaplaincy Partner)

Imam Darr (Muslim Chaplaincy Partner)

CSAB had the pleasure of hosting two students at Bluewater in early 2018. The first was an ordinand and the second is in training for lay ministry. Both have been great to work with and we have had positive feedback on the placement from the ordinand. We were really happy that the lay ministry trainee, David Green, has volunteered to be on the chaplaincy team permanently. Bluewater is known for being a site of excellent chaplaincy in an unusual context and we are often approached to host students interested in chaplaincy.

The team held an Ash Wednesday service in the Place of Quiet. Anglican and Roman Catholic communion was served side-by-side.

Ella wanted to introduce quarterly 'events' related to Christian festivals that could engage everyone at Bluewater. The first of these was to celebrate Easter.

On Easter Monday the chaplaincy team hand-tied and delivered over 800 daffodils to staff around the centre. This was a great team-building exercise for us, as well as bringing the joy of Easter to staff. There were not many conversations on the day as it was very busy but it led to conversations subsequently.



Paul Winchester, Mary Winchester and Michael Dale tie daffodils

Ella introduced a monthly Chaplains' breakfast meeting. These were held on different days to give everyone the opportunity to attend at different times. These alternated between having an agenda and not having agenda. Some of those with an agenda were opportunities for training or to hear from chaplains in different chaplaincies, such as Ben Cooper, the Ellenor Hospice chaplain.

We were sad to say goodbye to Ella in mid-October. She was invited by The Methodist Church in central London to work as a Project Officer in their Discipleship and Evangelism Team. Chaplaincy is one of the areas that falls within the remit of this Team. KWM started the process to recruit a new Bluewater Lead Chaplain in late 2018. Revd. Malcolm Cooper, who had been the first Chaplain at Bluewater offered to stand-in as Lead Chaplain in the interim. This offer was gratefully taken up by KWM.

Once again, the Innkeeper project was put in place during the busy Christmas shopping hours. We are most grateful to Carol Avery for hosting this project and for being on call in case anyone needs an emergency bed for the night if they cannot get home.

CSAB has been asked to support Bluewater's 20th anniversary celebrations (March 2019) and we will work with the senior management team to support their vision for the events.



Dungeness 'B' Power Station

I have continued to visit Dungeness B as their chaplain throughout the year, normally 3 to 4 hours a week, although there were periods during the Autumn when my visits were less frequent due to my availability. The visits are well received by management and staff (including contractor partners). Although I have no real measure regarding outcomes and

most of the time is about just saying hello and being available, people do feel free to offload concerns or personal matters in a safe non-judgemental environment. My absences in the autumn were noted by staff from various departments with the positive feedback that I was missed.



The power station is experiencing technical difficulties at the moment and has not been generating for a number of months and there are many contractors on site. I judge that it is times like this when an established chaplaincy is valuable. I continue to be alert, to try and identify a suitable person to work with, to cover absences or to provide a replacement. During November EDF sponsored their second concert in the local church in aid of Breast Cancer which is the designated charity for the company. This was again great success and is to be repeated for a third time this

year. The concert was arranged jointly between me and the Visitor Centre Manager. I receive good support from the local churches.

Les Carter



Eurotunnel Chaplaincy

During 2018 traffic seemed very busy, putting pressure on staff.

A pastoral situation developed with an employee with over 20 years' service suffering terminal cancer which hit a lot of people hard as nearly everyone on the site knew her. A ministry of 'just being there' proved helpful at many levels.

Although Malcolm Sawyer has been approved as a second chaplain, he now only has one car in the family and so was unable to visit the Cheriton site, or the Longport police Station for a long periods.

David was invited to a Folkestone Samaritans open evening because of his involvement ongoing White Cliffs suicide problem.

David is also included in the ecumenical church leaders' group of Churches Together in Folkestone (CTF). This provides useful contacts for signposting staff from the Tunnel and also provided links so that CTF could organize a Community Carols event in December which drew some 2000 people.

Eurotunnel is still cutting back on staff, the chaplaincy's prime contact in the Company Council (which technically authorizes the chaplaincy) has been made redundant but there is still strong support from several directors.

David was seen briefly on BBC1 as part of rent-a-crowd cheering when the Children in Need

Rickshaw cycled out of the Service Tunnel (three hours late) having started its journey in Calais.

Pastoral situations are always important for individuals and their colleagues. There was a particular problem with a victim of domestic violence who was unwilling to talk to anyone about it but was causing concerns for her colleagues.

There were several groups carol singing during December, including David's own church. There is some disquiet among local charities as all will be excluded from collecting from the New Year because it was taking the equivalent of a member of staff to process the security applications and with the ongoing staff cuts that is no longer sustainable.

Sadly, another migrant was found dead under a bus. The understandable pastoral implications for the staff finding lasted for some days.

David Slater, Lead Chaplain – Eurotunnel



Gravesham Borough Council

I'm still visiting in Civic Centre and elsewhere, for example staff at the Borough Market. The prayer group meeting continues to be held on the last Tuesday at 1pm. Sometimes 6 or more attend depending on their other commitments.

Jacqueline Littlewood



Maidstone Hospital

I have been a Volunteer Chaplain at Maidstone Hospital for nearly 2 years now. Five months ago, I was at last given my "own" dedicated ward to visit every Monday morning: M.O.U. (Maidstone Orthopaedic Unit), where patients have scheduled knee, hip or shoulder operations. As there are generally only three patients in each of the male and the female bays, I also visit a larger ward first. This varies each week. My remit is to be a chaplain for any hospital staff, patients or their relatives. Going to the same ward each week, has enabled me to gradually get to know the staff on M.O.U., who are extremely friendly. There is a happy, relaxed atmosphere on this ward. Many patients are day patients. Others only stay four or five days. I often speak with people who are so amazed at their mobility after a knee or hip replacement. They are reassuring for those who are awaiting their operation. If I receive a cue that someone would welcome prayer, I pray for his/her calmness and peace before and during the operation. Many are semi-awake, having been given an epidural. I sometimes talk to anxious relatives, whilst their loved one is actually in theatre.

Visiting the larger wards, I am always full of praise for the hardworking medical teams. The

nursing staff, especially, are so kind and respectful. Recently, I spoke with a young Clinical Care Nurse, who was holding the hand of a frail lady in her nineties and encouraging her to reminisce. She seemed to have the time to simply “be” with her.

If I speak with eighteen people in a morning, I may only pray with three of them, but I always find this a humbling experience. Somehow the words flow, and the patient or relative is moved and grateful. Once or twice the patient has added a prayer for me, or asked me to pray for the person in the neighbouring bed. Patients often thank me for “giving up my time” to talk with them. I think many are relieved that I am not going to carry out any medical procedure! Never underestimate the benefit that a ten minute conversation with someone may have. Spending time with someone and lending a listening ear can often be just what that person needs – especially a neutral, non-family listener.

I begin my Monday morning praying in the Chapel for what lies ahead, and I go back there to pray for all the people I have had conversations with. Once a month, the whole team of about eighteen Chaplains worship together for half an hour. Then we have an hour’s training, when someone who works in the hospital comes to talk to us about their work, for instance, in palliative care, or care for the elderly, or medical ethics. Twice a year, we join with the team of Chaplains from Pembury Hospital and have a Training Day at St. Andrew’s Church, Paddock Wood. Regular ongoing development is important, but I also always feel grateful for the thorough, detailed KWM training I received, which has formed such a firm foundation for my chaplaincy work. As Hospital Chaplaincy is affiliated to the work of KWM, I am fortunate to be able to attend Conferences and Quiet Days, organised by KWM still.

There are a few vacancies at present at Maidstone Hospital for Chaplains. If you know of anyone in your congregation, whom you think might be interested, please suggest s/he contacts Rev. Nicola Mitra, the Chaplain at Maidstone Hospital, who would be happy to talk to him/her about this rewarding job.

Valerie Thornewell



Medway Council and Crematorium

2018 has been a challenging year within Medway Bereavement Services. There were a number of changes in personnel as several long-serving staff retired and new appointments were made.

There were also considerable challenges for the staff during the year as new equipment was installed whilst maintaining 'usual services.' They even had to cope with flash flooding in

the middle of the building works! It is a privilege to support this small team who do so much themselves to support people at times of loss and grief

Elaine Cranmer, chaplain to Medway Crematorium



Port of Dover

2018 was a slightly stressful year for the team starting with surgery for two of them, and with one back for another operation in December.

Blockading French fishermen stopped ferries as the start of the year, including disrupting the annual retreat for Dover Anglican Clergy to Boulogne. At the end of the year the RNLI, Border Force and Royal Navy are involved in search and rescue for groups of migrants crossing the channel in small boats. Apart from the direct stress on volunteers there are other knock-on effects, such as the family unable to scatter their mother's ashes because the lifeboat was out looking for a group already ashore.



The problem of suicides, actual or threatened, from the White Cliffs continues.

Scattering of ashes from the Dover Lifeboat

The team were all involved in the usual public services, Herald of Free Enterprise anniversary, Sea Sunday, Easter Sunrise, Merchant Navy Day, the Torch of Remembrance in November and the Dover Christians Together Carols in the Cruise Terminal.

Churches in Dover were all involved in a mission in the week before Easter which took the Chaplains away from routine work. The annual regatta had a lot of input from the chaplaincy team, although David is considered to have failed as the weather proved to be very bad and it had to be called off at lunchtime!

Revd Dr John Walker has stood down as a chaplain due to the pressure of work as Area Dean as well as Team Rector for five parishes, and indeed has since also stood down as Area Dean.

The CEO of the Harbour Board resigned in March. Two directors took joint charge over the summer and the new appointee started in January 2019. David met him briefly on this first day and hopefully future relations will go as well as in the past. However, our key contact with the Harbour Board police resigned, essentially from ill health, and future relationships with the police are uncertain.

Ordination Students shadowing at the Port and Eurotunnel as part of their training 2018

have come from various courses including, Rippon College, Cuddesdon, KIME & Queens Birmingham.

Two chaplains attended the 200th Anniversary Service of the Sailors Society in Southwark Cathedral with one in the procession of chaplains from across the world.

After much wrangling we finally have Mike Piper & David Clarke approved by the Merchant Navy Welfare Board (MNWB) as Ship's Visitors. This is a necessary hoop to jump through as some lines, such as Princess Cruises, only accept visits from MNWB approved chaplains, whatever the captain or agent wants. David Slater is now listed on the Mission to Seafarers website as the contact for Dover.

Mike Piper visited over 100 ships during the year, many of them cruise liners on their first visits to the port. The Navy and Military Bible Society has been very helpful providing a variety of literature to hand out, especially in Tagalog.

In November we were called by HM Coastguard as 4 survivors from a sunken Belgian trawler were being airlifted in to Dover. We were able to re-clothe them from the homeless emergency store and managed to get them on a ferry to Calais that evening to be met by family.



David, chaplain to RNLI crew Dover looks out

The year ended with major concerns over Brexit, from possible job loses to gridlock for the town. Essentially until the political situation is fully resolved the various 'logistics' agencies and councils do not know what they are trying to do, or where, and until they decide it is impossible to guess what welfare needs will come out of it.

Record keeping is not the forte for some of the team, but we have recorded over 2500 interactions

Pastoral Assessment	Pastoral Ministry	Ethical/ Death & dying	Significant 'crisis'	Recent 'crisis'	Private prayer	Public worship	On Ships
1074	68	3	13	18	11	860	525

David Slater – Lead Chaplain – Port of Dover



Rapport Care Home, Connors House, Canterbury

This past year at Connors House has been quieter than usual. Quiet, not in the sense of noise, but a smoother more stable atmosphere is felt, due entirely to the staff. With the country's present political instability, work applications from both Europe and the wider world have decreased. Even so, staff recruitment has proved successful and as the year has progressed there's been less turnover. This is pleasing, particularly for the residents with dementia, who find any change hard to manage.

But it's been good too for the staff as they've got to know each other better. There's a lot more laughter to be heard and smiles exchanged. The pleasant environment enables staff to want to give of their best.

Chatting with the Manager recently, she spoke about the importance of staff working with the residents' culture. Some cultures are more task orientated caring for physical needs, whilst others are more empathic responding to emotional needs. Though workers from different cultures are welcomed equally alongside those from here in the UK, they need to understand and appreciate the reasons behind residents' behaviour and expectations, embedded from a lifetime here. The Manager remarked at how naturally staff from Baltic countries feel and care for elderly people and how equally pleasing the newer staff from the UK are proving to be extremely dedicated.

As regards residents, the balance of women to men has shifted with a far greater proportion of men resident at Connors House than at any time. Maybe this is because family searching for a home for their father or brother sees other men living at Connors House and decide this could very well suit their family member.

We now have a room set aside for Mervyn's large model railway. The group of men, and some women, around the table in the conservatory has grown, as each week they discuss 'what's in the news' ably encouraged by the activities co-ordinator.

The regular meetings for residents to express needs and concerns with the management remains a healthy focus for staff as they listen and try to fulfil requests. Working together as well as valuing each person as an individual is enabling residents and staff to experience life a little more 'in all its fulness'.

Christine Barker

Staff Chaplain Connors House, Rapport Housing & Care, Canterbury

Other activities of Kent Workplace Mission

Conference

The annual Chaplains' Conference was held in February at St. Martin's Hospital in Canterbury. The venue was deliberately chosen as the focus for the Conference was Mental Health.

We were grateful to Revd. Philip Luscombe (Asst. Chair Methodist South East District) for leading opening worship and to The Ven. Stephen Taylor (Archdeacon of Maidstone) for leading closing, reflective worship.

We were pleased to have three speakers for the day; Revd. Ruth Bierbaum, Mental Health Chaplain, Kent and Medway NHS Partnership Trust, Dr Saliha Nazir, Specialist Psychiatrist, and Ben Ryan, a researcher with TheosThinkTank.



Ruth and Saliha led small groups to explore different aspects of Mental Health

This proved to be the most successful conference so far and chaplains from many different backgrounds attended. These included workplaces, hospital, prison, university and ambulance.

The Conference for 2019 will focus on an aspect of 'The Economy'. This will be at Bluewater on 21st September.



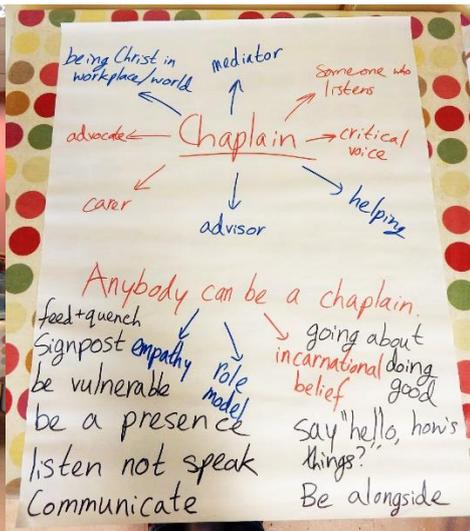
Training

In 2018 KWM offered its 'Introduction to Chaplaincy' course twice.

The first occasion was in March with sessions led by Ella, Gary, David and Jacky. We were joined by new chaplains from Dartford and Bexleyheath, a volunteer chaplain from Canterbury Christchurch University and several existing chaplains who came to offer support and to refresh themselves. The sessions were over two consecutive Saturdays. We were privileged to be joined by Revd. Dr Peter Hayler who led a session about 'Virtue Ethics'. The second Saturday session was slightly curtailed by snow!



Chaplains deep in thought



Thoughts about 'A Chaplain'

The second time was in November with sessions led by Gary, David, John H and Jacky. We were again joined by another two new chaplains and some experienced chaplains. Also, we again enjoyed Peter Hayler's session.



Quiet Day

In 2018 Gary, KWM Lead Chaplain, suggested that there should be two Quiet Days: one in East Kent and one in West Kent.

The first was in May at Blean Parish Church, on the outskirts of Canterbury. This was kindly led by the vicar of Blean, Revd. Dr Stephen Laird.

The second was in September at St Benedict's Centre, West Malling Abbey. This was led by Gary Colville with a contribution from Revd. Martin Henwood introducing us to his resource 'Orisons'.

It is hoped to hold two Quiet Days in 2019 – please keep an eye on the website for details.



Commissioning of chaplains

It was decided that any new chaplains would be commissioned either at the location where their chaplaincy was to be or at their local church.

It was a great pleasure that eight new chaplains were commissioned in 2018 and that KWM Trustees were involved.

Dartford

In July six chaplains were commissioned in a community space in The Orchards Shopping Centre in Dartford. The event was attended by the Mayor of Dartford David Mote and his wife Ellen, and by the Vice-Chair of Kent County Council Cllr Ann Allen. Family and friends gathered to support the chaplains; Liz Kingsley, Alexander Aikoye, Kehinde Ishola, Florence Martin, Mary Olowu and Julius Zubair.



KWM Trustees Carol Avery, Paul Buckley and John Ellis commissioned the chaplains in their chaplaincy in Dartford Town Centre.

After the service everyone shared food and we were treated to jollof rice cooked especially for us to take home.

Bluewater

Later in the year two new chaplains to the Bluewater team were commissioned.

In November John Eni-Uwubame was commissioned at his home church RCCG, City of His Grace, The Mercy Centre, Rose Street, Northfleet. Gary Colville, KWM Lead Chaplain, and John Hougham, KWM Vice-Chair, were there to support John in his commissioning.

In December David Green was commissioned during evening worship at his home church of St Helen's, Cliffe. KWM Trustees John Ellis, John Hougham and Stephen Taylor were there to commission David.



A 'Chaplain's' Thought

This is a regularly updated feature on the Kent Workplace Mission website. Every four weeks a contribution from a chaplain or Trustee is posted on to the website. This can be found by clicking on the link on the front page of the website. Do have a look and see what you find.

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