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## Church uncovers child abuse in the Solomons

### Employees of logging companies accused of sexual exploitation

Children in the Solomon Islands are being sexually exploited by the employees of foreign logging companies, according to a major research study carried out by the Church of Melanesia.

The church – which receives support from USPG: Anglicans in World Mission – is now urging the government in the Solomons to take action and has issued a list of proposals.

The survey revealed that children as young as eight are being enticed into having sexual relationships by the employees of logging companies that are based in remote and unpoliced parts of the largely impoverished islands. Most of the logging companies and their employees are Malaysian.

Shockingly, in some instances, parents have encouraged their children to establish sexual relationships in order to earn money for the family.

The research was conducted by the Sisters of the Church of Melanesia, who interviewed over a thousand people in 12 villages close to the logging operations.

A housekeeper, based at a logging camp in the Arosi region of Makira Province, reported: 'Since logging came into this area all the men who own that logging company take girls who are teenagers just for having sex. Afterwards they give them \$10 or \$20 only. The girls don't want to have sex, but have no way to make money so they have sex with them.'

'Another problem is when

the men come and ask the parents of the girls and the parents let them go, just for the lack of money, so they sell their children to the Malaysian people [for sex].

'We need somebody to come and talk to the parents of the children and talk about the rights of children. Because the children aren't safe.'

The study observed: 'Children visit the camps to

view movies, look at machinery or look at logging vessels – things they would otherwise not be able to see. The children see logging camps as exciting places and can be easily persuaded to board ships or enter houses and bedrooms, thus greatly increasing the risk of abuse.'

The report concluded: 'Commercial sexual exploitation of children is a new issue in the

Solomon Islands. This is a contrast to many other countries in the Asia Pacific region where the problem is widespread and severe. As such, it is possible that this critical issue can be eliminated while in its early stages.'

The Church of Melanesia says that access to the logging camps should be restricted, the logging companies and state police should monitor

the camps, and village communities should be made aware of the dangers.

USPG is helping the Anglican Church to speak out about injustice by raising concerns with governments, the United Nations and other influential bodies. In particular, we are focusing on environmental destruction in the Philippines (see page 4) and conflict in Israel-Palestine (see page 9).

## USPG RESOURCES FOR ADVENT



USPG/Mary Corish

This Advent, USPG is inviting churches to remember the world church through a special set of worship resources, entitled *God's Generous Journey*.

The worship material invites congregations to consider Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem through Gospel readings, prayers and hymns.

The journey is divided into six stages, which can be completed over six weeks or as one service.

USPG General Secretary Bishop Michael Doe said: 'Mary and Joseph's journey was both challenging and difficult, while also being a journey of hope and joy.'

'In the same way that Mary and Joseph needed to find food, drink and shelter to sustain them, so it is that many families around the world today are finding that

their journey through life is a daily struggle to survive.'

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Our Advent Appeal looks at the Mampong Babies' Home, Ghana (page 6)



## From Bishop Michael

A message from Bishop Michael Doe, General Secretary, USPG: Anglicans in World Mission

### The generosity of God

**T**he village of Nsalbani, in southern Malawi, is a 20-minute drive along a dirt track from where the tarmac road ends. When I was there last month the church was packed – three choirs of young people, the Mothers’ Union and village elders.

On that Sunday they were having a ‘paper collection’ – no coins allowed! – because now that they have a church building and a church primary school they are determined to build a clergy house. Their bishop has promised that he will then find them a resident parish priest, although even then they will need to raise the money to pay him.

Malawi is one of the poorest countries in the world – many people live by subsistence farming – but they also love their church and know that its future depends on what they themselves are willing to give.

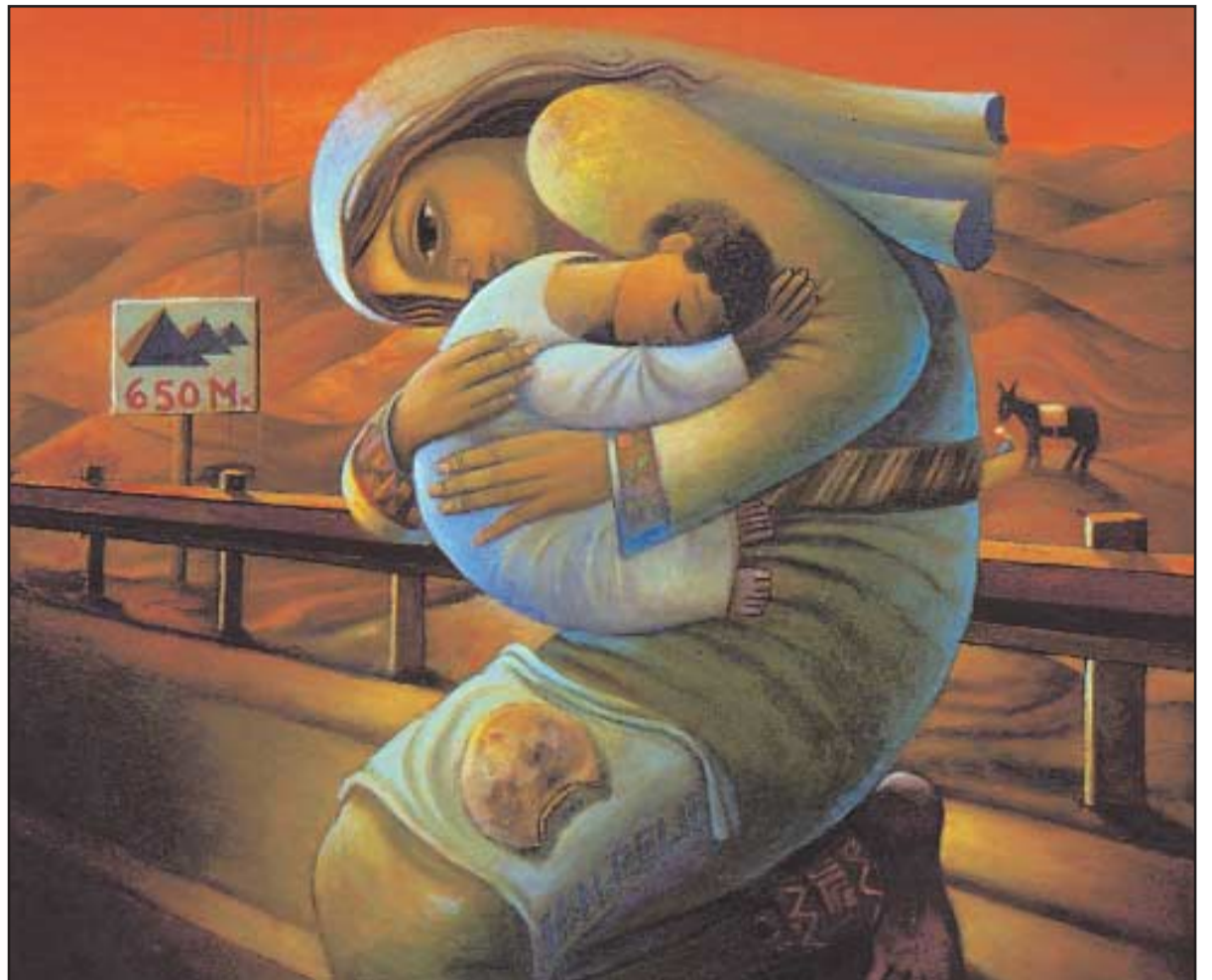
You are helping the Anglican Church in Malawi through USPG. One of its bishops is a USPG mission companion, as is the only doctor at the largest church hospital. We support

ordinands at theological college and medical work in remote rural areas.

I like to think that such support is not so much our charitable goodness, but rather a generosity which is responding to the self-giving of the people themselves in places like Malawi.

As we approach Christmas we are reminded again of the generosity of God who gave himself to us and for the world through the birth of Jesus. Surely our response needs to be a similar generosity in the way we engage with our fellow Anglicans around the world?

As we approach next summer’s Lambeth Conference I believe that this generosity needs to go beyond the sharing of material resources. In the face of deep problems we need to show a generosity of spirit, the willingness to go on talking and listening, an acceptance that difference need not always mean division, and a renewed commitment to that holding together of unity and diversity which has always been at the heart of Anglicanism.



## The Palestinian ‘Flight to Egypt’

USPG mission companion Janina Zang regularly organises art exhibitions as part of her ministry to build bridges between different faith communities in the Diocese of Jerusalem.

This painting, by Palestinian artist Sliman Mansour, is entitled *The Flight to Egypt*. Here’s how Sliman described

his painting: ‘I tried to compare the Palestinian refugees with the flight of the holy family to Egypt. To help make this connection, I added some contemporary features, including a blanket bearing the words “UN Relief”, the like of which are found in refugee camps everywhere. A road sign displays the three pyramids to show that the mother and child

are heading for Egypt – just as the holy family did 2,000 years ago.’

Sliman continued: ‘I want my art to help people recognise the injustice caused to the Palestinian people. Art is a peaceful universal language, which makes it an effective tool for facilitating understanding and bringing about reconciliation.’



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MADAGASCAR

# How's this for a wedding venue?

## Madagascar's president opens new church initiative

This impressive photograph – taken by USPG mission companion Sam Beeton while standing on top of a water tower – shows the recently opened Institute of Leisure and Training, in the Diocese of Antananarivo, Madagascar.

The centre, which is being run by Sam's wife, USPG mission companion Violette Beeton, will provide an under-resourced area



USPG/Sam Beeton

The Institute of Leisure and Training, in Antananarivo Diocese

with training in agriculture, animal husbandry and literacy. It will also serve as a venue for weddings and concerts, which will generate an income to help

the local church support itself. Built with government money on land donated by the Anglican Church, the centre will also provide recreational

activities, including music lessons, youth groups and sports.

Violette explained: 'The centre is a gift from the diocese to the local community. The aim is to help develop the local area while generating an income to help the Malagasy church to pay the salaries of priests, and stand on its own two feet.'

USPG gave the centre a £2,000 grant to buy furniture.

The centre was opened by the President of Madagascar Marc Ravalomanana, who noted that the centre's approach road was badly in need of repair. So the president promised to provide money to rebuild the road – further helping to boost local infrastructure.

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## Diary dates

**25 November:** A service to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the founding of UMCA will be held at Christ Church, Oxford, at 10am. The preacher will be the Rt Revd Tom Butler, Bishop of Southwark. For more details, phone 01865 276161 or 276162.

**2-4 July 2008:** All readers of *Transmission* are invited to attend USPG's annual conference at the Hayes Conference Centre, in Swanwick, near Derby (subject to numbers). This will be a chance to meet USPG staff and mission companions, as well as representatives of the world church. More details to follow.

BELIZE

# 31 churches, but only 13 clergy

## USPG mission companions will help to train up new church leaders

Leicester couple the Revds Malcolm and Ruth Lambert are preparing to start work with the Anglican Church in Belize as USPG mission companions.

Malcolm is currently overseeing four churches as the team rector for the Parish of the Resurrection.

In Belize, he will become the director of the Anglican Theological Institute, in

Belmopan, where he will aim to train up a Belizean to replace him as director.

Malcolm said: 'There are 31 Anglican churches spread over the country, but only 13 active clergy, which is why leadership development is so important. One of the key needs is to train new leaders – both lay and ordained – to help congregations deepen their faith.'

Ruth, currently the chaplain of Leicester General Hospital, will become the priest-in-charge of St Ann's Church, also in Belmopan, where she will help to develop the church's work in schools and hospitals.

She said: 'A third of Belizeans are classified as poor. One in ten have difficulty getting enough to eat. There are many single mothers who struggle to

raise their children and there are social problems, such as drugs and associated violence, which are prevalent in city areas. Because of this the church in Belize is committed to working with the poorest in society.'

Ruth and Malcolm are preparing for their time in Belize – and this includes raising money towards the cost of their appointment. The total that they, with USPG, need to raise is £75,000 (approximately €110,000) over three years.

To find out how you or your church can support the Lamberts in Belize – and receive regular newsletter updates about their work – phone 0845 273 1701 (in Ireland: 071 965 1998) or email mcp@uspg.org.uk

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**ZAMBIA:** Young people struggle to find work in Zambia, where unemployment stands at around 50 per cent, so the Diocese of Northern Zambia has set up a skills training programme, with a grant from USPG.

The programme will provide young people with skills such as brick-making, car mechanics and welding.

The Rt Revd Albert Chama, Bishop of Northern Zambia, said: 'The aim is to empower the youth. Large-scale unemployment has resulted in many young people living on the streets, and some of them abandoning church programmes and services.'

**KOREA:** In August this year, heavy rains in North Korea killed over 200 people, destroyed crops, and left more than 300,000 people homeless.

A USPG grant is helping the Anglican Church of Korea to support the victims of this disaster. The Revd Joachim Kim said the relief work was 'a way of expressing the common bonds we feel with our fellow people in North Korea'.

**INDIA:** USPG-supported mission companion James Pender was impressed to see how the impoverished congregations of Mizoram, in North East India, raised funds for mission.

He said: 'When members gather firewood, a log is put on a pile for mission; and every time they cook, a handful of rice is put in a bowl. The rice and logs are later sold to raise funds for mission. Sometimes church members put an egg to one side and then sell the chicken when it is full grown!'

IRELAND

# Palestinian and Irish teenagers discuss conflict

## Peace building initiative offers hope

A group of 16 Palestinian teenagers spent a week in Ireland as part of a USPG-supported initiative to promote international understanding between young people.

The Palestinians, who comprised Anglicans, Roman Catholics and Orthodox Christians from the West Bank, met Irish students from Ballinteer Community School, in Dublin, to spend time discussing their experiences of conflict.

Leading the Palestinian party was the Revd Fadi Diab, an



Garret Casey

Manar Isayed and Mina Khalil, from Palestine, meet Jessica Fitzpatrick (centre) in Ireland

Anglican Palestinian priest from Zebabdeh, in the West Bank.

He said of his group: 'They have listened to others' problems and have noticed that

they are not the only ones who are suffering – there are a lot of people who suffer in conflict. There are people who share the same circumstances with them.

One told me, "If there were people suffering like we do and they succeeded in creating peace, there is a chance we can do the same. So, in a way, there is a kind of hope."

The programme – entitled Youth Connections for Peace – was developed by Lucinda Packham, of Dublin's School Completion Programme, following a visit to the West Bank. Her aim was to connect young people from Palestine and Ireland, helping them to build confidence and explore their sense of identity.

Lucinda said: 'Over the week, the Irish students became more aware of their own communities through the connections they made.'

The organisers now intend to take Irish teenagers to Jerusalem.

THE PHILIPPINES

# Protesters threatened with death

Human rights activists are being murdered after protesting against destructive mining operations

Human rights activist Tina Moyaen had already seen two of her colleagues murdered – then she was told she would be the next to die.

With unidentified motorcyclists riding around her house at night, Tina and her young child did not leave their home for a month.

Tina is part of a growing movement in the Philippines that wants their government to stop foreign logging and mining companies from bulldozing trees and crops, and polluting the land

with poisons from their operations.

It is estimated that more than 700 protesters have paid with their lives, including clergy, lawyers and journalists. Others have been tortured or abducted and never seen again – and the government has done little to intervene.

The government says the foreign investors bring billions of pounds into the country. But Tina, and her fellow protesters, say that indigenous people do not see any of the money, but are instead suffering the loss of lands and livelihoods.

Tina, who is the chair of a people's organisation in the Cordillera region of the north of the Philippines, said: 'Our tribes lived harmoniously with each other and the natural world until conflict was introduced, first by foreign logging companies who bulldozed the trees and crops, and later by mining companies. We have been labelled terrorists because of our opposition. In our struggle we are like a small voice



Collecting drinks cans for recycling in a shantytown suburb of Manila

crying in the wilderness.'

USPG is supporting both the Philippine Independent Church and the Episcopal Church of the Philippines in their efforts to

raise awareness of the problems and campaign for justice.

USPG Regional Desk Officer Rachel Parry said: 'The situation in the Philippines seems to be

going from bad to worse in terms of the exploitation of both the people and the land. It is a story that goes largely unreported in the world's media.'

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**PAKISTAN:** Female sex workers are being given the hope of a new life through a programme set up by the USPG-supported Women's Development and Services Programme (WDSP), part of Raiwind Diocese.

Many women in Pakistan feel compelled to try and earn their living as prostitutes due to poverty or difficult circumstances at home.

The programme offers health awareness, medical care, and skills training to provide the workers with alternative work opportunities.

**PERU:** Solar-powered DVD players are being used for evangelism and discipleship training by the Diocese of Peru.

Clergy and lay ministers carry the DVD players in back packs to remote villages and shanty towns, and use them to show a film about Jesus to the residents – many of whom are illiterate. In some places, villagers were seeing moving images for the first time. The Revd Rachel Hill, of the Diocese of Peru, which receives support from USPG, said: 'Literacy is a serious problem in Peru and we believe this will be an important method of evangelism and discipleship.'

## INDIA

### Sex traffickers target tea plantations

#### The children of plantation workers face abduction

Since the mid-nineteenth century, Darjeeling – in the foothills of the Himalayas – has become renowned for its tea.

The East India Company, desperate to break the Chinese monopoly on the tea trade, was fortunate to discover a plant related to the Chinese tea bush, but with bigger leaves and a special new flavour.

Within a short time, many plantations were established – some of them on near vertical slopes – so that Darjeeling was eventually producing 25 per cent of India's tea.

Tea pickers mostly came from tribal communities, and were provided with accommodation, blankets, clothes, food and wages.

Though tea bushes have a productive lifespan – of up to 70 years – bushes in Darjeeling are getting well past that age; many owners can't afford to plant new bushes, and the global price of tea has dropped. As a result, estates are closing, and fourth-generation tea pickers are unable to find alternative work, leaving thousands destitute.

With the tea industry in

decline, another industry is booming: human traffickers are promising desperate families that they can find jobs for their children as domestic workers in India. Instead, the children frequently end up in brothels – even girls as young as eight.

The traffickers try to remove all photographs because, without a photograph, it is almost impossible for families to trace their children. One mother managed to obtain a tiny photograph of her missing daughter from her daughter's school. She now keeps the photograph in a wooden box with her most precious objects.

It is in this context that the Diocese of the Eastern Himalayas is training communities to work together to spot the traffickers. Villagers are taught to check that a recruiter's licence is authentic.

And, for the survivors who escape enslavement, the diocese is providing counselling and job training as part of a rehabilitation programme.

Sanjana Das, of the Church of North India's Children's Concerns programme, said: 'A lot of trafficking is being prevented. Christ called us to work with those on the margins. Our aim is to reach out to the vulnerable and restore their dignity.'

■ USPG is actively opposing forms of human slavery throughout the world, including programmes to tackle sex trafficking in Asia.

## ZIMBABWE

### Church reaches out as economy collapses

#### Ordinand Alex Faludy reports on a visit to Zimbabwe with USPG's *Expanding Horizons Programme*

Zimbabwe is a country of extraordinary contrasts. Beautiful lush countryside alternates with ramshackle townships; the police are polite to tourists, while enforcing the evictions of white farmers, and the church is notable for both vibrant worship and susceptibility to government manipulation.

The government allows a certain degree of public dissent, but what is tolerated shifts, so that what is permitted one day might be prohibited the next.

In addition, the ability to effectively oppose the government is curtailed by a constant gnawing hunger that saps energy and will.

The church's response has been varied. At worst there have been instances of shameful collusion with the government. One Anglican bishop, who received farmland confiscated from evicted whites, trots out

statements of praise for President Mugabe and has threatened priests who disagree with physical violence.

But there have also been remarkable instances of prophetic witness from clergy who believe that Mugabe is neglecting the people.

One priest was beaten up after refusing to allow his church to be used for a government rally; another regularly makes a long, difficult journey to administer the sacraments to some elderly white farmers facing eviction. I met priests who had turned their gardens into vegetable plots in an effort to feed starving congregations, and others who had set up soup kitchens.

After returning to England, I found myself torn between nostalgia for a country that had drawn itself powerfully to us and a quiet persistent anger.

Despite its dreadful troubles, there are many signs that Christ is at work among his people, seen through their endurance and self-giving.

Christians in the west have a duty to remain alert to their needs.

■ USPG donated £5,000 to help the Church of Zimbabwe set up a children's feeding programme in the Diocese of Masvingo.

■ 'Millions of Zimbabweans are in danger of starvation.' Read more in the Winter edition of the USPG Prayer Diary.

TANZANIA

# Childhood is a dangerous time

**USPG mission companion Andrew Russell reflects on the fragility of young life**

I'm sure the most vulnerable people in Tanzania are children aged under five years old.

I was talking to a colleague who told me she had five brothers and sisters. When I enquired further I was told that two of them had died when they were children. This was not the first time someone had told me about deceased siblings, but the words hit me in a new way, and set me thinking about the high rate of infant mortality in Tanzania [12.2 per cent of children do

not reach the age of five].

One of my friends is a pastor called Frederic. We often talk about his two-year-old son Kevin, who has had to battle with malaria, coughs, colds, skin fungi and assorted tummy bugs. A few weeks ago he cut his hand badly on chicken wire.

Frederic explained that living conditions create health problems: the homes of most Tanzanians are mud floors, so it is easy for children to pick up and swallow dirty things.

I recently visited the children's ward in Dodoma's government hospital, not knowing what to expect.

Every child was under five years old. Their mothers sat by their children's bedsides caring for them as best as possible. What were the most common ailments? Malaria and burns. Malaria is the most common cause of death among children in Tanzania. Burns are common because the majority of Tanzanians cook on charcoal fires

at ground level, so children fall in or grab hold of hot pans.

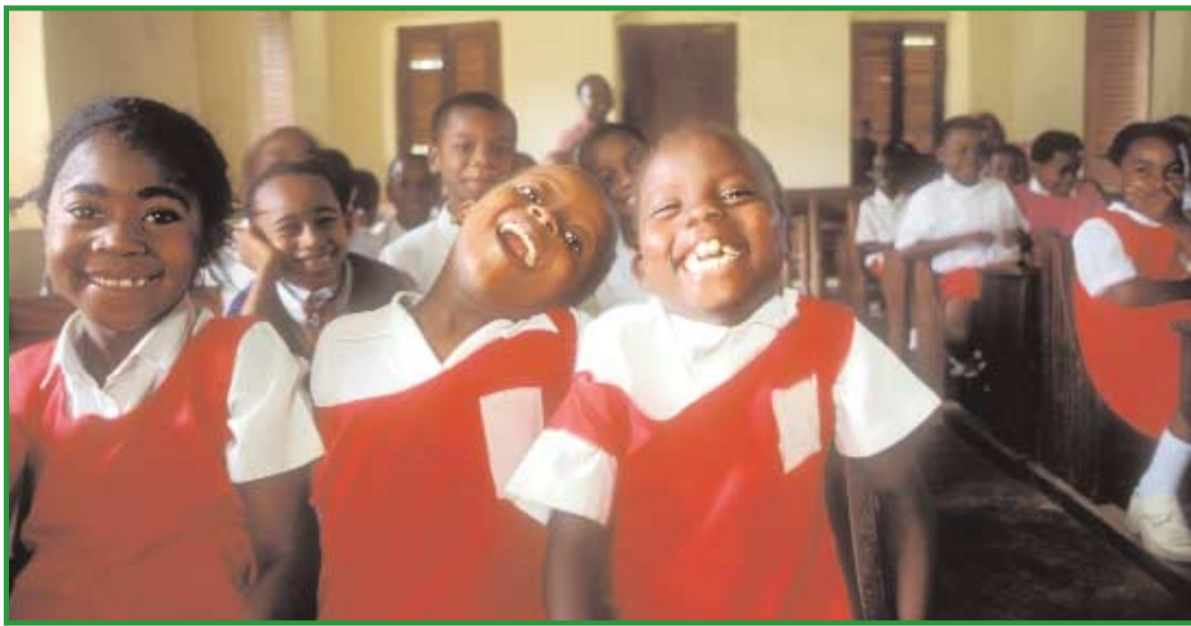
Like my colleague, Frederic told me that two of his siblings had died when they were young. I realised afresh that, though the world might forget them, these

children will never be forgotten by their families.

I hope and pray that Kevin and his future brothers and sisters grow up healthy and strong. We all have a part to play in ensuring this will happen. I

will leave you to ponder how you might help.

■ You can support health care in Tanzania through USPG's Projects Scheme. See page 10 for more details.



Singing class at St Monica's Anglican Nursery School, Zanzibar

USPG/Leah Gordon

ANTIGUA

# Students enraged by mission companion

**Theological education helped to change the perceptions of Bible students**

When USPG mission companion Wendy Lloyd first started teaching biblical interpretation in Antigua, her students were so outraged they thumped their desks in anger.

Wendy explained: 'I would say, "Let's get rid of the theology and just look at what the Bible says."

'It was revolutionary for them to think that not every word in the Bible is necessarily true.

'I explained how, in the Gospel of Mark, Jesus grows increasingly silent while, in the Gospel of John, Jesus is completely in charge and giving orders. They are totally different pictures of Jesus. Are either of them true? Does it matter?

'One student said, "What am I to believe if we can't know that these are the actual words of

Jesus?" They would thump the table and shout, "But this is what the Bible says!"

'The students started to see that there are many different points of view. One year on, the ones who had banged the table the loudest were the ones who had changed the most.'

Wendy was in Antigua for three-and-a-half years, during which time she guided 30 church workers through a correspondence degree in biblical interpretation at Exeter University. Three of Wendy's students have since gone on to train for the clergy, and all of

the students are involved with their churches and preaching 'learned sermons'.

Wendy recalled how one student preached at her home church for the first time – inspiring the entire congregation to burst into unprecedented applause. 'I think I gave my students the self-confidence to think for themselves, which is a rare commodity in a culture where most people are taught by rote,' said Wendy.

'That said, I also wonder whether this is something that Christians in England also need to take on board.'

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**MALAYSIA:** An emergency grant from USPG is helping the Anglican Church in Malaysia to refurbish St Mary's Cathedral, in Kuala Lumpur, after its interior was wrecked during flash floods in June.

The grant will be used to help replace furniture, computers, an amplification system, Bibles, hymn books and musical instruments.

The Rt Revd Moon Hing, Bishop of West Malaysia, reported: 'St Mary's Cathedral was under five feet of water. It is so sad that the cathedral had been recently renovated and the newly installed furniture was destroyed.'

'Though the church is insured against flooding, an insurance claim is unlikely to enable us to replace new items. The loss is great.'

INDIA

# Newly-wed Asfana beaten by in-laws

**A new support programme will help abused women**

Asfana's dilemma is a shocking, but typical, example of the problems being tackled every day by the Mahila Panchayats [meaning 'women's councils'], a support network set up by the USPG-supported Delhi Brotherhood Society (DBS).

Asfana's marriage to Akbar did not start well. Asfana moved in with her in-laws and, in accordance with Indian culture, took on housekeeping duties. Though Asfana worked hard, her in-laws started criticising and beating her. The source of their irritation became clear when they started telling Asfana that they thought her dowry had been too small [the dowry is an expensive gift paid by the bride's parents to the bridegroom's family].

Matters grew worse. One day, Akbar told Asfana to ask her father for 50,000 rupees. Asfana refused, saying her father had already struggled to raise a dowry.

This made Akbar angry and the daily beatings got worse.

Asfana didn't know where to turn. She didn't want to worry her elderly parents, so she chose instead to suffer in silence.

But then matters came to a head. Asfana's hands were sore so she asked her sister-in-law for help with some cooking. But rather than help, the sister-in-law told Akbar that his wife was refusing to cook. Akbar flew into a rage and started yelling at Asfana and attacking her with a stick.

Asfana finally broke down and went to see a member of the Mahila Panchayat, where she

wept and poured out her story.

The Mahila Panchayat volunteer took Asfana back to her parents home and started legal proceedings that eventually saw Akbar and one of his sisters put in jail.

Monodeep Daniel, of DBS, said: 'Asfana and her family are now very happy.'

The Mahila Panchayat network trains women volunteers to handle disputes. Volunteers are both proactive – teaching women about their legal rights – and reactive – helping to find solutions to family disputes – without resorting to legal action where possible.

**JAMAICA:** Trainee priests at the United Theological College of the West Indies (UTCWI) are to benefit from a course in pastoral counselling that is being partly funded by USPG.

UTCWI President the Revd Dr Leslie Anderson explained that the course was being introduced following a reform of mental health services that anticipates a key role for clergy as frontline providers of counselling and psychological support.

# Babies' home provides vital care for Ghana's vulnerable children

The Mampong Babies' Home, in the Diocese of Kumasi, is saving the lives of abandoned, orphaned and neglected babies

It is a brutal fact that one in 10 children in Ghana die before reaching their fifth birthday.

Young lives are fragile and, in an impoverished part of the world, with the primary care-giver no longer around, the chances of survival are slim.

Ama was just three months old when her mother died from a ruptured ulcer. The child's prospects were bleak. But in this instance there is a happy ending because Ama was taken in by the USPG-supported Mampong Babies' Home, where she was nurtured and loved.

Thanks to the dedication of staff, Ama survived numerous illnesses and grew up to be a healthy and cheerful child.

Ama's father – like many fathers in this region – was mostly absent because he had left in search of work. But he started to visit his daughter regularly, waiting for the time when he was more financially stable and able to take back his daughter.

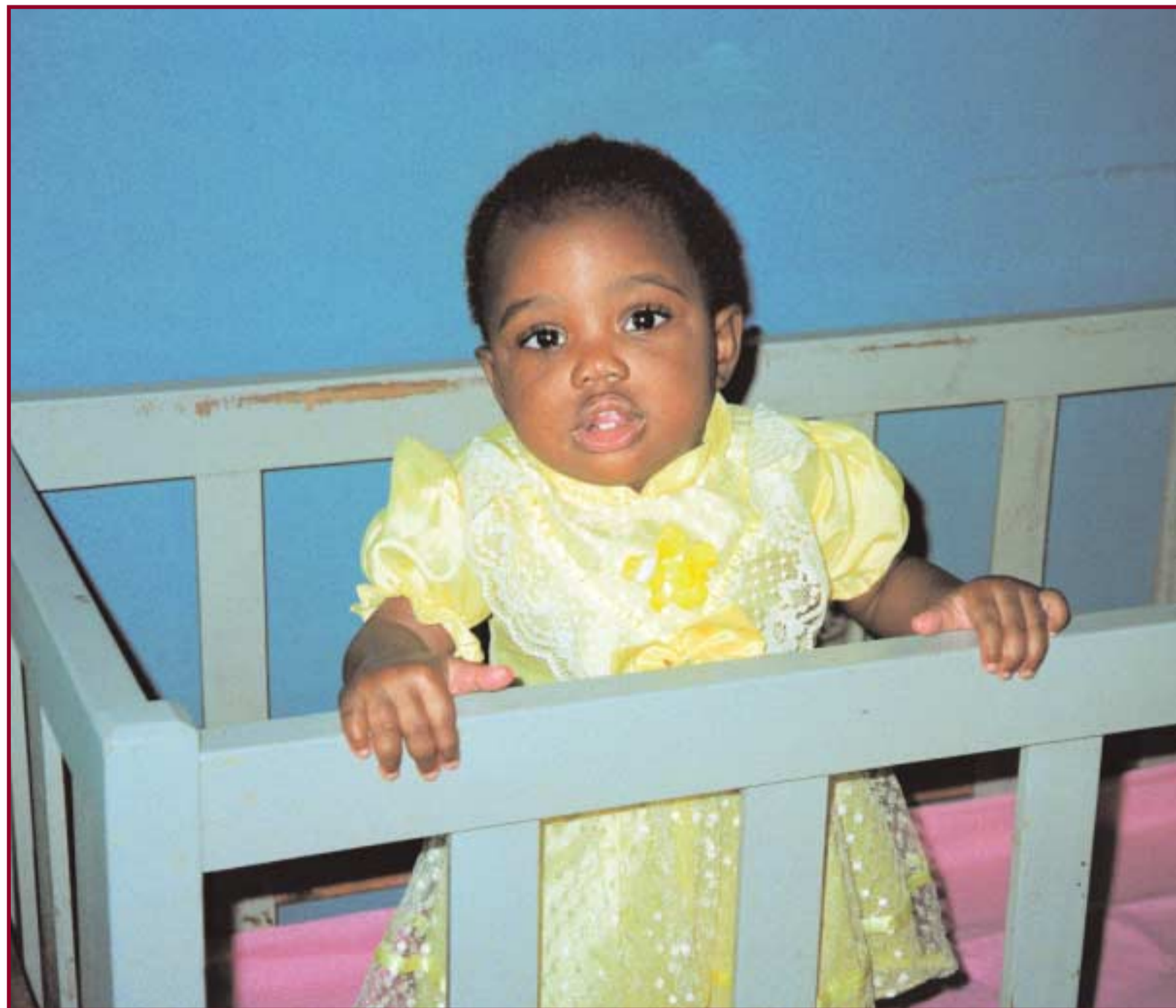
Mampong Babies' Home was founded in 1967 by the Order of the Holy Paraclete (OHP), a religious order of the Anglican Church, with headquarters in Whitby. The nuns opened the home after finding that when mothers died in childbirth the fathers were often unable to look after their children.

The home is able to accommodate up to 40 babies at a time, providing vulnerable children with a caring environment until they are five years old, when they are put into the care of their extended family, often being reunited with their fathers.

The home takes in abandoned and orphan babies, babies whose mothers have been imprisoned, the babies of mothers with mental health problems, and babies with disabilities. Most are brought to the home from poor rural settlements by extended family members who cannot afford to feed an extra child.

The home is very basic, with stone rooms and corrugated iron roofs. It is located at the top of a small hill, about a mile from the centre of Mampong town, and is set in smart grounds, surrounded by banana plants and mango trees.

There are two large dormitories – one for babies, one for toddlers – and communal areas for feeding



USPG/Kate Fyfe

The Mampong Babies' Home is able to accommodate up to 40 children

**“Mampong serves a real need. In very difficult conditions, the babies' physical needs are met very well.”**

and changing. The children are washed outside in the forecourt twice a day. Indeed, most of the life of the home is taken up by a relentless round of cooking, cleaning, washing clothes and feeding. There is a lingering aroma of detergent, excrement, urine, palm oil and shea butter.

The Christian ethos of the home is evident from the morning prayers and singing, which all staff and toddlers attend.

The staff are essentially volunteers because they are

only paid a token salary that is well below the national average wage.

**Found in a bush**

One little girl was just five days old, and had her umbilical cord still attached, when she was brought to the home by a nurse, accompanied by a police officer.

The police officer explained that the baby had been found in a bush in a remote village.

Mabel Asafu-Adjaye, Mampong's superintendent-in-charge, recalled: 'On examination the baby looked

slightly dehydrated due to under-feeding. Her umbilical cord was dry and clean. Her weight on admission was 2.3kg. We named her Marion and were shortly able to return her to relatives in good condition, weighing 3kg.'

Two other children to benefit from the home are twins Asana and Fuseina. Their mother died from complications shortly after giving birth, and the girls were admitted to Mampong one month later.

With his children safe, the father, Alhaji Dauda, was able to

journey south in search of farm work to support his family. But he kept in touch with his children and was a regular visitor to the home.

Three years later, the twins were discharged and went to live with their father. When the girls were 10, Alhaji brought his daughters to visit Mampong, and staff were delighted to see that the girls had grown up into healthy and active children.

But not all children are so fortunate. Abena Njafune was brought to the home in February, aged just two months. Sadly, she died of respiratory failure after a short illness.

Ben and Nicola Davies-Jenkins spent eight months working with the Anglican Church in Kumasi as part of the *Experience Exchange Programme*, a scheme run jointly by USPG and

the Methodist Church that enables volunteers from Britain and Ireland to live and work with the church overseas.

The couple, who stayed at the babies' home while in Ghana, said: 'Mampong serves a real need. In very difficult

conditions, the babies' physical needs are met very well. Mampong is a really worthy cause.'

Superintendent-in-charge Mabel Asafu-Adjaye told USPG: 'We are most grateful for the immense support the

home receives from you, our major sponsors.

'We are thankful to our maker for his abundant care – the home continues to meet the needs of babies and toddlers whose mothers have died or have major health problems.'

For the future, Mampong faces several challenges. In particular, there are frequent power cuts and there is a need for better lighting and more accommodation. But with the support of USPG, the work can continue.

## Send Christmas greetings to Mampong

This Christmas we want the children and staff at the Mampong Babies' Home to know that they are being remembered by their brothers and sisters in Britain and Ireland.

Please write your message of support in a lightweight Christmas card and send it to USPG by 23 November so that we can send it on to the home in time for Christmas.

If you are sending a card on behalf of your church, please don't forget to include the name of your church inside.

Send your Christmas card to USPG: Anglicans in World Mission, 200 Great Dover Street, London SE1 4YB. (In Ireland: USPG Ireland, Inis d'or, Gobadruish, Mohil, Co Leitrim.)

## COUNTRY PROFILE: GHANA



**Population:** 21.8 million (UN, 2005)

**Capital:** Accra

**Major languages:** English, Akan, Ewe, Ga

**Major religions:** Christianity, indigenous beliefs, Islam

**Life expectancy:** 56 years (men), 57 years (women) (UN)

**Main exports:** Gold, cocoa, timber, tuna, bauxite, aluminium, manganese ore, diamonds

**USPG funding:** Health care, theological training, well-drilling, tree-planting, clergy development, diocesan administration.

Ghana was the first country that European traders visited in sub-Saharan Africa. The traders named the country the Gold Coast because of the vast quantities of gold they found there.

The country can claim to be the first African nation in the region to achieve independence from a colonial power, in this instance Britain, in 1957.

Today, Ghana is one of Africa's comparatively stable and prosperous nations, which no doubt contributes towards the country's ongoing appeal

to tourists and investors.

The country has also witnessed impressive church growth, particularly among Pentecostal and charismatic churches. In all denominations, worship services tend to be warm and energetic experiences.

In terms of the economy, Ghana is the world's second largest producer of cocoa. And the country received a major boost in June this year with the news that untapped offshore oil reserves should become accessible in 2010.

USPG/Mary Corish



## Three programmes supported by USPG: Anglicans in World Mission in Ghana

### 1 Training priests

With support from USPG, St Nicholas Seminary, in Cape Coast, is meeting an urgent need for trained Anglican priests in the region.

Since it was founded in 1975, the seminary has trained over 200 priests who are now serving in parishes throughout Ghana and West Africa.

The Revd Charles Osei-Pok, a recent graduate, said: 'The training has strengthened my faith and helped to deepen my spirituality and commitment to worship. I can now talk more confidently about God and present him to others so that they may also find him and know him.'

### 2 Caring for the environment

A USPG grant of £4,000 is funding two tree-planting projects in the Diocese of Kumasi.

At Ejuraman Anglican Secondary School, mango and cashew trees have been planted so that the school can sell fruit and nuts to help fund church work in the diocese. The school has also planted teak trees to help restore land ravaged by bush fires.

Teak trees have also been planted next to Kumasi Retreat Centre, where they will make the site more attractive and act as a windbreak to protect the building from violent storms.

### 3 Tackling human trafficking

The Centre for Initiative Against Human Trafficking (CIAHT), with the help of USPG, has set up 'Stop Child Trafficking: It is a Crime' – a project to alert rural families to the dangers of trafficking and help rehabilitate children who have escaped from abusive employers.

Bishop Emmanuel Arongo, of Tamale Diocese, said: 'Human trafficking is now a common practice in northern Ghana. This is due to poor education, a lack of employment and the annual cycle of hunger. These factors force the youth to migrate to unknown places looking for non-existent jobs. In doing so, some fall into the wrong hands.'

## Make a donation

USPG needs your donations to continue supporting the Mampong Babies' Home and other vital work of Anglican Churches around the world.

You can make a donation using the response form attached to these pages.

## Keep in touch with Mampong

You can keep in touch with the work of the Mampong Babies' Home by signing up to *Children First*, which is part of USPG's Projects Scheme.

The *Children First* Project enables supporters of USPG to target their giving and prayer support for Mampong, as well as the work of the Anglican Church among vulnerable children in India and Malaysia.

Churches and individuals who sign up to support a Project will receive an information pack, newsletters by post or email, and publicity materials, including posters and bookmarks.

To find out more, phone 0845 273 1701 (in Ireland: 071 965 1998) or email [projects@uspg.org.uk](mailto:projects@uspg.org.uk)

# USPG Lent course 2008

'People need to realise that God loves them, and that all of their problems and issues are a result of broken relationships. Restoring those relationships is essential.'

These words – spoken by USPG mission companion David Hall – are taken from USPG's Lent Bible study course for 2008.

Entitled 'Love one another', the five-week course explores relationships by looking at the Gospel of Matthew and drawing upon real life examples from the Church of Bangladesh.

The course aims to provide Christians in Britain and Ireland with a global perspective while examining relationships in five key areas of life: family, church, community, the environment and God.

In commending the course, USPG General Secretary

Bishop Michael Doe said: 'What struck me most as I read through these studies is the fact that relationships are at the heart of mission. Certainly, we see that it is through nurturing relationships, rather than dispensing financial handouts, that the Church of Bangladesh is enabling people to work together to improve their lives.'

Bishop Michael added: 'Lent is always a time to deepen our relationship with God. This Lent we hope you will also feel freshly inspired to invest in our human relationships, both within your own families, churches and communities, and with your sisters and brothers around the world.'

■ Use the form on page 11 to order free copies of our Lent study booklet and other Lent resources.



Thanking God: Kanto Moi Biswas, a member of the church-run Golden Age Project, which supports the elderly

USPG/Leah Gordon

## Business boost for hospital

Property consultant Paul Sharman (pictured) helped to raise over £7,500 for Anglican-run Teule Hospital, which works among impoverished communities in Muheza, Tanzania.

Paul first heard about the hospital nine years ago when he joined Holy Trinity Church, in Sunningdale, Berkshire, which supports the hospital through USPG's Projects Scheme.

Having caught the vision, Paul decided to take his family – wife Anne and children Jo and Pippa – to visit the hospital, and asked construction companies he works with to make donations.

Paul said: 'We were surprised and delighted by the amazing generosity of my colleagues.'

'To actually see Teule itself was



incredible. We were particularly inspired to see the sacrifice being made by USPG mission companions Ben and Sally Amos

who work at the hospital. 'Our motivation is simply a desire to give thanks for what our Lord has done for us.'

## Stamps wanted

Please continue sending your used postage stamps so that we can sell them to collectors to raise money for world mission. Over £1,200 was raised in this way during 2006.

You do not need to send the whole envelope – just cut out around the stamp, leaving a margin of about one inch. Also, please do not send standard issue stamps, ie those which only depict the Queen's head.

Don't forget to mention that you would like all proceeds to go to USPG.

Send stamps to Mr Wallis at 30 Lish Avenue, Whitley Bay NE26 2EG.

## Who baked the tallest cake?



Prize-winner Linda Prickett (left) with USPG's Valerie Bradfield

A 39cm-tall chocolate cake won a tallest cake competition at a 'Big Tea Party' fundraising event for USPG, held in Warlingham, Surrey.

The cake – made with chocolate brownies, chocolate rolls and chocolate biscuits – was made by Linda Prickett, of All Saints' Church, Warlingham.

The event raised nearly £100 for USPG's work with the Church of Myanmar.

■ More Cake, Vicar? is a fun way to raise funds for USPG by hosting a cake sale at your church. For posters, ideas and recipes, visit [www.uspg.org.uk](http://www.uspg.org.uk), phone 0845 273 1701 or email [morecakevicar@uspg.org.uk](mailto:morecakevicar@uspg.org.uk)

## Fundraising in brief

■ Guests fled indoors to avoid rain during an open-air Big Curry Party, organised by Hilary and Francis Newenham in Witney, Oxfordshire. The event raised £170 for USPG. For a free Big Curry Party event pack phone 0845 273 1701.

■ Raynsford VC Lower School, in Henlow, Bedfordshire, held a charity day that raised £313 for USPG. Pupils had fun baking and selling cakes.

■ A concert at St Mary's Church, in Cilcain, Flintshire, raised £312 for health projects supported by USPG in Masasi Diocese,

Tanzania. Performers included the Llwynegrin Singers and the children of Ysgol-y-Foel Primary.

■ Actor Adrian Palmer presented a dramatic reading of The Gospel According to Mark, at St John the Baptist, in Ermine, Lincolnshire, raising £120 for USPG. The Revd Stephen Hoy said: 'It was brilliant. Adrian is a wonderful actor.' To book Adrian phone 07863 551223.

■ Jazz fans enjoyed the Sunset Café Stompers at a concert in Wells Palace Garden. The event raised £660 for USPG's Set All Free Fund.

## Are you excited about mission?

USPG is looking for enthusiastic volunteers to become Associate Mission Advisers (AMAs), willing to promote the work of USPG within their dioceses.

In particular, we are looking for AMAs in the Dioceses of Chester, Coventry, Derby, Gloucester, London, Nottingham, Portsmouth, Ripon and Leeds, York (Cleveland Archdeaconry only), St Albans, Salisbury, Southwell and Truro.

USPG Church Relations Manager Elfed Hughes said: 'AMAs are incredibly important for publicising the work of

USPG in parishes, deaneries and dioceses.

'Typically, we ask AMAs to devote a couple of hours a week to visiting parish priests, local church volunteers, mission committees, PCCs, deanery synods and diocesan synods.

'AMAs enjoy meeting people and talking about mission. Training, resource materials and support from our full-time regional co-ordinators will be provided.'

■ To apply to become an AMA, contact Elfed Hughes on 020 7378 5696 or email [elfedh@uspg.org.uk](mailto:elfedh@uspg.org.uk)

## Run the London Marathon

You could run the London Marathon for USPG on Sunday 13 April 2008. For more information, call Bola Sofela on 020 7378 5692 or email [bolas@uspg.org.uk](mailto:bolas@uspg.org.uk)

SPEAKING OUT

# Stones were forced into boy's mouth

**Paul Mukerji, of the USPG-supported EAPPI (Ecumenical Accompaniment Programme in Palestine and Israel) reports from Hebron**

Hashem Al-Azzeh and his family live in a stone house with fantastic views of the old city of Hebron in the West Bank, one of the Israeli-occupied Palestinian territories.

Hashem's nine-year-old daughter and her friends need to be escorted to school in order to protect them from the hardline Israeli settlers, who live in a nearby row of houses.

The settlers have thrown stones, rubbish and even bottles of urine at Hashem's house. Hashem said the settlers once

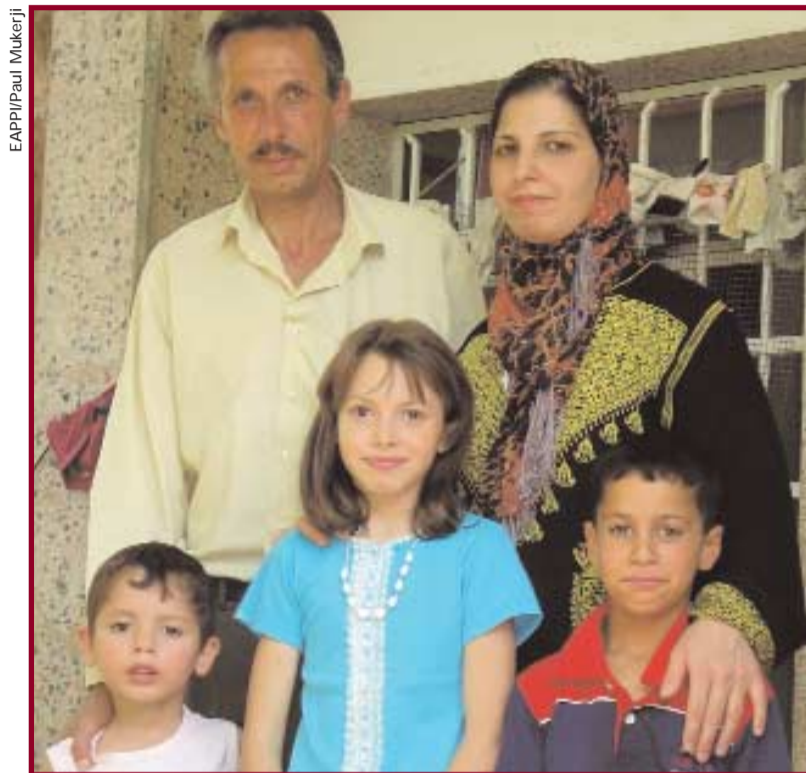
came into his property and threatened to 'rape his wife and kill him and his children'. He also said they have damaged olive trees in his garden, punched a friend of his, and spray-painted the Star of David on one of his doors.

Last year, Hashem's 10-year-old nephew Yusef had stones forced into his mouth by one of the settler women, severely damaging his teeth.

The attacks are being carried out by one of the most extreme factions of the Israeli settler movement. One of Hashem's settler neighbours is Baruch Marzel, a former spokesman for the now-outlawed extremist movement Kach, which is regarded as a terrorist organisation by both the US and Israel.

Nevertheless, these Israeli settlers are well-funded and supported by Jewish groups from many parts of the world.

The settlers also bring in busloads of tourists to visit Hebron each week, but you will not hear their guides explain that the settlements are illegal under international law, nor that,



Showing patience: members of the Al-Azzeh, in front of their home in Hebron

according to most opinion polls, around 65 per cent of Israelis think the settlements should be disbanded. And, of course, the guides do not point out the offensive graffiti, such as 'Gas

the Arabs'.

Hebron is a town of over 130,000 Palestinians, with just 400 Israeli settlers in its midst, and yet it is these settlers who rule the roost. The Israeli

government has stationed 2,000 soldiers in Hebron to protect the settlers.

Hashem shows an amazing resilience and lack of bitterness. He is against terrorism and violence – whether from Palestinians or Israelis. He said: 'We welcome people of any religion to come and visit the religious sites in Hebron. They can even live here under the Palestinian Authority, but not as occupiers'.

Israel has not implemented UN resolutions calling for its withdrawal from territories occupied in 1967.

Settlement construction has increased since the signing of the Oslo Accords between Israel and the Palestinian Liberation Organisation in 1993.

■ EAPPI supports non-violent efforts to end Israel's occupation of Palestinian territories: [www.quaker.org.uk/eappi/](http://www.quaker.org.uk/eappi/)

■ USPG is working alongside the Diocese of Jerusalem in seeking a just and peaceful settlement of the conflict in Israel-Palestine. We oppose all violence.

WHAT IS MISSION?

# 'We don't want just another church'

**The Revd Bruno Almeida, of the Anglican Church in Periperi, Brazil, explains why mission is about more than conversion**

A recent magazine article revealed that domestic violence in Rio de Janeiro's favelas is more prevalent within church communities than outside the church. (One reason for this is the misuse of biblical passages concerning the disciplining of children and the submission of wives to husbands.)

This alarming observation highlights why we should not think of mission as simply being an attempt to convert people to Christ. Clearly, mission is something broader, involving a comprehension of the values of the kingdom of God. The priority is to make known these values and to implement them in our lives and society.

According to the national



At home in Rio das Pedra favela, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

census, Brazil is more than 90 per cent Christian. How can this be so, with all the intractable social problems and profound economic divisions that afflict so many Brazilian people? The solution lies in mission.

Mission is an attempt to discover and express the fullness of God through living a life of love, mercy and justice. Implicit in this definition is the fact that our lives are lived out in community.

When I think of mission I think of the Christian commitment to see a fairer society in which education, health care, employment opportunities and leisure facilities are available to many

more of our people.

Looking at Periperi – part of the vast suburb of Salvador, where I live – one of my hopes is for our Anglican community to have its own building (at present we meet in houses). Yes, it will be a space for worship, but it must also be a space that is in service of the wider community.

I would not want to merely establish another church for the masses. More than a quarter of Salvador's population – three million people – live in Periperi, a place where there is no theatre, cinema or library. So we can see that while it is important for churches to dispense food and clothing to those who need it, we must also see our role being greater than merely providing hand-outs for the poor. We must also challenge a culture of 'haves' and 'have-nots'. Mission must seek to promote dignity, self-esteem and respect for all people.

Only when we adopt a vision of mission that encompasses these kingdom values will we begin to experience what it means to live in union with Christ and our brothers and sisters.

■ The Revd Bruno Almeida's wife, the Revd Bianca Daébs gives another view of mission at [www.uspg.org.uk](http://www.uspg.org.uk)

# PROJECTS SCHEME TARGET YOUR GIVING AND SEE IT WORK

## PROJECT 334: REACHING OUT TO ETHIOPIA

# The Anglican Church is growing in Ethiopia

## New Anglican churches are being opened in western Ethiopia

Gordon Rock belongs to the Nuer tribe, in the western region of Gambella, in

Ethiopia. Feeling challenged during a Bible study to put his faith into practice, Gordon decided to become an evangelist, and was sent out by the Anglican Church.

So began Gordon's extraordinary ministry to the shy Opo people.

Not knowing a word of the Opo language, Gordon started

by simply sitting under a tree and recounting Bible stories in his own language of Nuer. There was one Opo who knew a little Nuer and he started giving rough translations.

The Bible stories had a huge impact. Two years later, there are two Opo churches – one with 60 members, the other with 80 – and a string of fledgling congregations.

Now a theological trainer, Gordon regularly visits the Opo churches. The journey can sometimes take hours, with Gordon holding books above his head while crossing rivers that come up to his neck.

USPG mission companion Andrew Proud, who was recently appointed as the first Bishop of the Horn of Africa, is encouraging Gordon in his

ministry. He said: 'Faith shines out of Gordon. Like St Peter, he is a rock on which God is building his church among these indigenous people of western Ethiopia.'

■ You can support the life-changing work of the Anglican Church in Ethiopia by making a donation to Project 334: *Reaching out to Ethiopia* – just use the form below.



The maternity ward at Bollobpur Hospital, Bangladesh

## PROJECT 140: BANGLADESH IN FOCUS

# Hospital saved baby's life

## Church funds vital healthcare

With many hospital treatments not available, medicines in short supply and hospitals short-staffed, it is not surprising that mission companion

Dr Helen Brannam finds working in Bangladesh to be a challenge.

But, she says, it is also very rewarding.

Helen, who is based at Bollobpur Hospital and part-funded by USPG, explained: 'Simple treatments can make a big difference. One baby was born weighing just 800 grammes (about 1lb 14oz).

'With the help of simple antibiotics, warmth and regular feeding, within four weeks the baby grew to 1.3kg (about 2lb 13oz). We were eventually able to discharge a small but chubby baby.'

■ You can support the work of Helen Brannam and other health care work in Bangladesh through Project 140: *Bangladesh in Focus*.



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**600 Life on the Edge**  
Supporting marginalised people in India, Pakistan and Myanmar.

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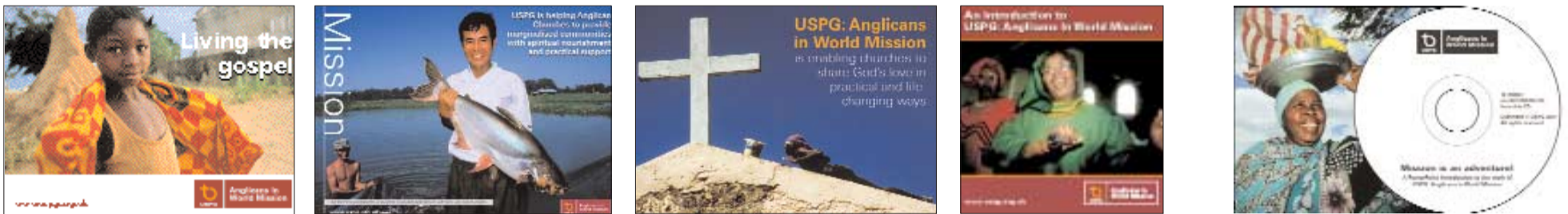


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### USPG Lent Appeal 2008

'*Love one another*' is the title of USPG's Lent Appeal for 2008. In particular, we are re-examining our understanding of relationships, while drawing inspiration from the Church of Bangladesh and the Gospel of Matthew. A range of free resources are available, including:

- USPG Lent Bible Study 2008 booklet and poster
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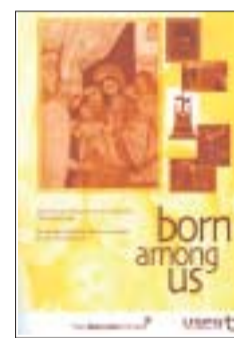
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