

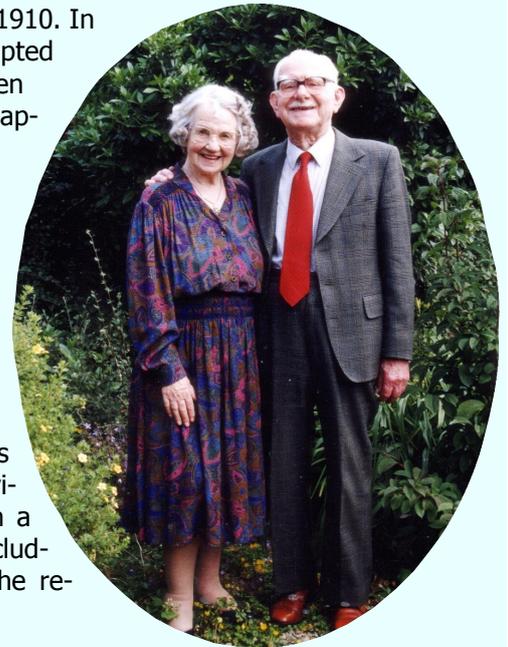
Special Feature

Stanley Reynolds, who is in our Leyland Home, was born in London in 1910. In his early 20's Stanley started reading the Society's literature. This prompted him to give up smoking and in 1936 he went by train to Carlisle and then cycled the rest of the way to Glasgow for a convention where he was baptised.

In 1940 he was assigned to the Bristol pioneer home and later served as the presiding overseer in the Bristol congregation. Although he received his papers for national service, he was granted complete exemption from military service by the local Bristol Tribunal. Living in Bristol during the war was not easy as bombs fell regularly on the city. On returning to the city centre one morning, they found it completely obliterated by the bombs.

Stanley served as a travelling overseer in Yorkshire from 1941 and was then called to the London Bethel. Later, in 1946, Stanley had the privilege of attending the 8th class of Gilead. He travelled to America on a cargo ship from Fowey in Cornwall along with a number of brothers including Stanley Jones, Harold King and Stanley Woodburn. Afterwards he returned to the London Bethel.

In 1952 Stanley married Joan Webb who was a special pioneer in Watford. He then served as a circuit overseer in Sussex, and Hampshire where they travelled to the congregations by bus, bicycle and on foot.



Then they were back in the London Bethel in 1957 helping with the travel arrangements for the 1958 Divine Will International Assembly in New York. They also had the privilege of attending the assembly and helping to care for the delegates as they arrived in the city from 123 lands.

After the assembly, Stanley and Joan served as special pioneers and also on temporary circuit work. Then they went back to Bristol as pioneers. Over the years they have helped about 40 persons come to know the Truth.

Sadly, Joan died some time before Stanley came into our Leyland Home. Stanley is now nearly blind but mentally active and attends meetings at the local Kingdom Hall when he is able. His life story is in The Watchtower 1 May 2000.



UPDATE ON THE NEW HOME IN MERTHYR TYDFIL

By late Spring/early Summer 2007, phase 1 will have been completed and 33 bedrooms will be ready to be occupied. All the bedrooms are being re-decorated with new carpets, curtains and furniture.

Phase 2 will see the construction of a new 18 bedroom block to be built across the two existing wings, to create a quadrangle.

The kitchen is being completely replaced with all new equipment. A new conservatory style entrance porch has been built. The existing lounge area has been transformed by replacing all the windows with new much larger ones, enabling the residents to have a view of the outside whilst seated. A rear lounge has also been altered to give views through large windows to the quadrangle area, making the room much lighter and sunnier. The quadrangle garden is being landscaped with seating and decorative walkways.

If you would like to volunteer your help in any way, or apply to work at the home, please contact the home manager, Mr Andrew Baines, on 01685 384444. We can also offer some live-in accommodation for workers.



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