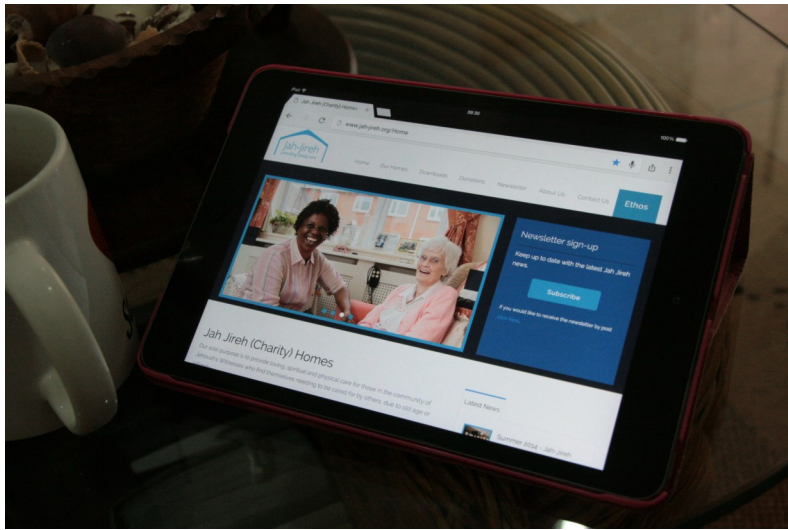


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WELCOME TO OUR NEW WEBSITE

Our new website went live on 1st November 2014 and we hope you will find this useful, as information is now available for download. Our brochure can be downloaded in PDF format and other forms such as Residents Application, Staff Application and Gift Aid are now easily and quickly available to print at home.

Along with information about Jah-Jireh's background you will also find an archive of our newsletters and our DVD: "Jah-Jireh—Where Next" released in October 2012.

LIVE IN WORKERS

We currently have two positions available for care staff at our Blackpool home and two positions for care staff and one nursing position available at our Wigan home with the opportunity of live in accommodation. As a charity we are registered to care for Jehovah's Witnesses only by those who are dedicated and baptised. This is paid employment. For more details please contact:



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THANK YOU

We try our best to thank everyone who sends us donations, but sometimes this is not possible because many people like to give anonymously. We would like you to know that we very much appreciate your support in this way and thank you for your thoughtfulness.

The extent of government cuts to health care for the elderly is financially painful. Jah-Jireh is a UK registered charity and in Britain cares for approximately 180 elderly brothers and sisters, in various stages of old age including end of life care. Approximately 200 brothers and sisters are employed with us and are outstanding in their hard work in caring for these fragile, elderly ones.

According to statistics, people are now living longer, therefore the potential for incapacity in old age grows accordingly.

We wish you to know how important your kindness is to enable us to continue caring for our brothers and sisters.—Matt 25:40.



The South East Project

We are continuing with our plans to build a new Nursing/Care home in The Medway Towns. The plans have been submitted. Planning issues are being addressed. Brothers and sisters are offering their homes for awareness meetings. Some donations are being offered and we are striving to raise the balance of the funds. Progress is being made and we are anticipating Jehovah's blessing for a positive outcome. May we ask you to pray for Jehovah's blessing for success.

An Inside Look: Blackpool Management Team

Our home in Blackpool has been open since 1985. Initially, a semi detached Victorian town house was renovated to care for two elderly sisters and one brother. After expanding to three properties and maintaining the original style, we are registered to care for 34 elderly brothers and sisters.



Our Business Manager, Manna has been working with us for 12 years along with his wife, Tracey.

“I really love being involved in taking care of the spirituality of the residents, just last week we had 26 residents join in family worship where we prepare the Watchtower, four of whom were equipped with iPads and make use of our Wi-Fi.

We recently had an unannounced inspection where four inspectors spent a total of 44 hours examining every aspect of the home, which is the new approach for inspections by CQC. One of the inspectors asked to join family worship to see how this would benefit the elderly and was very impressed by the participation of the residents which confirmed to her that they are maintaining the lifestyle they are accustomed to. I was thrilled at this opportunity to give a good witness.”

Tracey, our registered Care Manager has been working in the care industry since she was 16 years old.

“I love all the staff and residents. We train and organise the staff into teams so that they can work independently. Small teams are best as they are easy to manage and they each meet the needs of every avenue of care needed for the home to function and it also means that

the load is lighter for everyone.

An example of this is with administering medication. It was a big challenge to train all the staff to be qualified to administer medication, but the result has definitely been worth it. This has saved a great deal of time, and means the staff can focus on person centred care which is our priority.

Training is so important, not just from a legal point of view, but so that the staff can also be confident in their tasks and this is in the best interest of the residents and helps them to feel safe and well cared for.”

Chantelle is a Senior Supervisor and also a “Champion”* in Infection Control and has worked with us for 12 years.

“I love doing research and finding the most up to date information that we can use. I like to keep our filing systems as up to date as possible so all the staff teams have access to the latest information and this in turn means we can give the best care possible to vulnerable, elderly residents.”

Lisa is a Senior Supervisor and has been with us for more than 10 years.

“There is such a nice atmosphere and homely feel here, the staff and residents are all so friendly. I love caring for people and I wouldn’t want to work anywhere else. Despite challenges, I don’t think there is any job better than working with your brothers and sisters for your brothers and sisters.

I always go home satisfied and know that I have done my best, along with my team, in caring for the residents to the very best of our ability. We receive a lot of training and the elderly ones benefit from this because we are able to care for them with a more holistic approach.”

*More to come in our next newsletter about “Champions”.



L to R: Lisa, Chantelle, Manna & Tracey