

NEWSLETTER

LOVE NEVER FAILS

Tracey, a carer from our Leyland home, attended the “Love Never Fails” international convention in Houston, Texas during the first weekend in July 2019.

Some of our residents have never attended an international convention and will not now have the opportunity, so Tracey, about four months before leaving for the trip, started wondering if she could share the experience and make it meaningful for the residents too. Could they make gifts or send messages and cards for the other delegates? Along with Susan, who holds the knit and natter sessions at Leyland every Monday and Thursday, our residents started creating some lovely gifts.



Tracey told us some of the delegates cried when they were told who had made the gifts for them, many had never heard of Jah-Jireh and were touched by the thoughtfulness and hard work of the residents.

Before Tracey left for Houston, some of the residents had asked for a slideshow when she returned. This gave Tracey another idea, why not try to recreate the international experience and atmosphere of the convention for the residents. Our elderly ones got very excited about this and invited others from the congregation and also their relatives, some of which are not Jehovah’s Witnesses, to this event.

On 31st August, Tracey and her friends welcomed the residents and visitors into the dining room with banners and cheering. Other delegates who had attended in Houston sent gifts for the residents which were all given out and at the end, the residents asked for the banners to be left up so they had a reminder of a lovely, encouraging day.

More photos will be posted on social media of this event. If you have ideas for events or experiences to share, we love to offer hospitality so please contact us to share your ideas.

“Thank you so much for your unfailing love. It was wonderful to receive your gift. Even though you weren’t here your love was felt all the way across the ocean!!!”



Gifts for residents from Houston, Texas



BEST HOME AWARD

The staff at our Wigan home were so happy to receive the Wigan & Leigh Hospice "Home of the Year" award, presented by the Care Quality Commission. The award ceremony was held in Wigan followed up later by an Indian themed evening at the home, where interviews were held with carers relating their own experiences and their experiences in care.

The award was presented to the home by Hayley Moore from Care Quality Commission (CQC) who explained the reason for their choice:

"Jah-Jireh have been given this award for their ongoing commitment to enhancing the care of their residents and those important to them at the end of their lives. This home has shown great collaboration with the hospice, embracing all the training opportunities available to them and demonstrating the impact of this education by implementing innovative ideas. All levels of staff have been consistently enthusiastic and shown high levels of compassion and empathy to their residents and those important to them. The home is well led and it is clear that staff are valued and integral to the decision making process."



INTERGENERATIONAL CARE

Yes its a bit of a mouthful, but every school holidays some of the mums in the local congregation at Blackpool try to organise activities for the children. They thought it would be nice to include the home so as to let the children connect with our elderly brothers and sisters. As you can see, they had great fun together.



"Intergenerational care has great benefits for reducing depression and isolation in the older generation, it can also help with greater mobility and physical skills. For the children it helps them develop empathy and their language and communication skills."
(excerpt from Age UK)

VALUED IN THE COMMUNITY

Our local GP in Leyland approached Jah-Jireh and asked us to be part of a pilot scheme in training medical students. The goal was to help the students create dialogue with the residents (their patients), build trust and communicate well using a holistic approach. The manager was asked to observe the students and then give feedback to the GP.

Over 4 weeks, 7 different students spent time at the home, where they would work off a template from the GP and meet with specific residents getting to know them better and learn about their medical needs.

Our manager Sue, held a health and safety brief before each session and also presented each student with a pack explaining our residents beliefs including their medical wishes and a link to the Medical Information for Clinicians on jw.org.

At lunchtime the students were seated with the residents where they were nervous at first but our residents soon made them feel at home, so much so, we couldn't get them out of the dining room!

After lunch and a feedback session with Sue, the students returned to the doctors surgery where they would have a further feedback session with the GP and practice manager.

As this pilot scheme has been a success, the next program of students will start at the end of January.

STORIES FROM OUR VISITORS



After a recent post on social media, we received this message from Emma, whose grandad (aged 100) recently passed away at our Merthyr home.

"I think the family atmosphere is what makes Jah-Jireh tick, we loved that we were made to feel welcome. My 2 children would still like to visit from time to time, they were planning a puppet show for the residents, we hope to still arrange it."



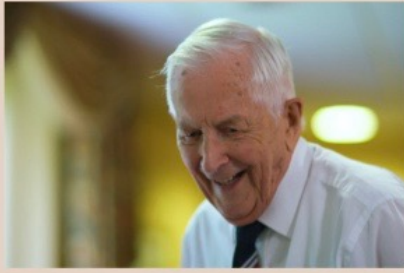
"Every time the students come back to the surgery, they're so enthusiastic and are buzzing from their time at the home."
- Dr C Scales



Emma and family



Welcome to our Home



"I can't say I was particularly good in my teen years"



"He wouldn't tell the doctor... because he was in his 80's... playing football!"

"NOSTALGIC" "TEARS AND LAUGHTER" "COMPELLING"

COMING SOON
TO A CARE HOME NEAR YOU

We are pleased to announce that coming soon, a new video about Jah-Jireh will be available. We will be posting this on our website and social media but if you would like to receive advance notification when "Welcome to our Home" is available to view and download please send confirmation via this link: bit.ly/JahJirehWTOH. If you do not have access to an email address, please feel free to ask a friend or relative to send confirmation on your behalf.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

We have various roles available at all our homes that include great benefits and some even have subsidies towards paying your rent. Please see our website under Join our Team for more information or email: hr@jah-jireh.org



Easyfundraising has been busily working away in the background and so far, just by your usual spending, it had raised **£2364.76 from 218 supporters.**

Thank you so much for your generosity.



Virgin Money Giving is an online platform to safely receive your donations. Thanks to your kind donations we are able to maintain a high standard of equipment, décor and ambience that we would expect in our own homes. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

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It has come to our attention that many brothers and sisters in the UK were upset to have not yet heard about Jah-Jireh and that it could be an option for care for family members. Please help us raise awareness of Jah-Jireh by sharing our latest newsletter and encouraging others to subscribe.

