

February 2009

COLLEGE OPEN NIGHT

An opportunity to discover the college and the courses available for yourself.

Tuesday 31st March 2009 6:30pm – 9:30pm



**Come and go as you please
See the premises - meet staff & students
PowerPoint presentations; Course Information
Tea/Coffee and an opportunity to chat
Prospective students, friends, supporters, **ALL welcome****

CONTINUE TO PRAY for our financial situation. The end of year results show an increase on the deficit of £50K to £117K. This is due to the larger staff team and while church giving has increased, it was less than hoped for. Individual giving was down on last year. In addition loan and grant funding is only released to us by the funding bodies in the next few months.

Visit of Dr Derek Tidball
(former principal of
London Bible College)

Monday 9th February 2009
Two open lectures – **all welcome**.
Free of charge – no need to register

11:45am *How can servants lead? Resolving the tension of servant leadership from a Biblical perspective.*

7:30pm *Gospel Ministry: a fresh look at the Gospels and pastoral ministry.*

Venue: Irish Baptist College

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Alison Hogg and Neil Jackson. They were married on 10th January. Alison is in the first year of the 'Preparation for Ministry' course and arrived back from honeymoon in time for the start of the new term on the 26th January. Thank you Neil.



CONTINUING STUDY

While our undergraduate and college students were away from lectures, revising for exams and completing assignments, the college premises were still being well used. Night classes, Ladies' Study Fellowship and the Women's Ministry class all recommenced. In addition the second and third weeks of January saw the teaching block for the MA in theology. Four courses were on offer. The Pastoral Epistles, Study Skills, Theological Reflection & Ministry and Islam. About ten students gathered for each module.

NEW MEMBER OF STAFF

You may have noticed a new name in the staff list, last month. David Haigh joined us recently to work part-time (during term) as an administrative and library assistant. He comes after many years of experience as a teacher of mathematics. His organisational and administrative skills, along with his good humour, have already made a very positive contribution. Welcome David.

