

## Please Pray:

- ◆ Thanking God for the ministry of the shop over the years;
- ◆ For staff and volunteers as we seek what the Lord wants us to do next;
- ◆ For the potential future ministry;
- ◆ For the Lord's blessing on the last few weeks of this ministry.

The Lord bless you,

## **Stuart Arnold (Manager)**



Cardiff Christian Bookshop is at present a ministry of the EMW

**“Partnership in the gospel”**

Evangelical Movement of Wales, Bryntirion, Bridgend, CF31 4DX  
Registered Charity 222407



## Cardiff Christian Bookshop

### Prayer letter— November 2011

*“She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins” Matthew 1:21*

## Dear Friends,

I have really mixed emotions as I write to let you know our latest news.

We have been unable to secure funding to support the shop through the next financial year. We will, therefore, be closing down in January. The staff will be redundant, the stock sold off and the premises returned to the landlord. We have benefited from the financial support of the Evangelical Movement of Wales (EMW) for many years and we reported in our prayer letter last February that this support was coming to an end.

## Closing Down

**Sale Starts Now**

**Clearance Sale 28 Dec to 14 Jan**

[www.CardiffChristianBookshop.org.uk](http://www.CardiffChristianBookshop.org.uk)

## Christian Bookshop



- Books
- Music
- Cards
- Gifts

Wyndham Arcade

029 20 220586

We intend to serve customers as well as possible and to remain a light for the gospel here in the city centre right up until 5.30pm on 14 January 2012. We are fully stocked for Christmas and would encourage you to still use us between now and then.

## **A Christian Centre for Cardiff**

If you read our last prayer letter, you will be aware of our proposed Christian Centre for Cardiff. In support of this, we have prepared a fairly comprehensive Information Pack which was supplied to interested churches in August. We had an encouraging meeting with church leaders in September and there are now several local churches which have joined the team to carry that project forward.

With the closure of the existing bookshop, we will no longer be seeking to maintain a continuous service to the city. The new ministry will be a completely fresh start, under local ownership, hopefully being opened later in 2012.

## **Giving Thanks**

I received an email yesterday from Samuel Knight (Jnr) recounting how the shop was started by his father in April 1962. So for almost 50 years there has been a gospel witness and a supply of Christian literature here in Wyndham Arcade. There is no doubt that, in that time, many people have been pointed towards Christ and many believers have been blessed and encouraged. We thank God for his grace towards us.

I, personally, would like to thank Alan Ashmore and our team of volunteers (Mary, Val, Patricia, Kim and Keith) for their hard work in the service of our Master.

## **Alternative Shops**

The other EMW shops are continuing to trade and, in particular, the shop on the Bryntirion campus, Bridgend CF31 4DX (01656 655886) will deal with returns of faulty product and any other residual matters from this shop.

In Cardiff we would point customers towards:

The Olive Branch, 17 Heol-y-Deri, Rhiwbina,  
Cardiff CF14 6HA (029 2061 4659); and  
Heath Christian Bookshop, 122 Whitchurch Road,  
Cardiff CF14 3LZ (029 2062 1794); and  
Books Plus, Unit 6 The Concourse, Heath Hospital,  
Cardiff CF14 4XW (029 2074 6294).

## **Keeping In Touch**

The new email address [Stuart@CardiffChristianBookshop.org.uk](mailto:Stuart@CardiffChristianBookshop.org.uk) can be used for everything related to the future project both now and into the future. This and the shop website address and facebook page will be left to the future project. The previous email address [CardiffChristianBookshop@emw.org.uk](mailto:CardiffChristianBookshop@emw.org.uk) can be used for existing shop business.