

## **The Living Well**

The newsletter of The Well Asian Information & Advice Centre  
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Dear Friend,

In our summer newsletter Ghauri told the story of a young man who came to The Well for help, following the death of his wife and abduction of his son Ghauri finished by saying:

*“We are hopeful that it will come to a satisfactory conclusion.”*

Well just about two weeks before Ghauri retired, he got a phone call from Mr Y, asking if Ghauri could go to the airport with him to meet his son! The judge in the other country, as soon as he heard the case, was most annoyed that the son was still separate from his dad, and ordered that they be reunited immediately, and that the in-laws would be liable for all the expenses. Thank you for your prayers regarding this matter.

Mr Y. brought us in the biggest box of sweets I have ever seen! We continue to support him, and have introduced him to another Christian man, who has also been a tremendous support to him. The son has started nursery and is very happy there. Mr Y. needs to find new accommodation before the 15<sup>th</sup> September, and he is continuing to try and resolve his immigration status. Please pray that both of these issues would be resolved quickly. It's been a privilege to have been involved with him over these months, and again highlights not just the value of The Well's work, but also our working relationship with Strathclyde Police.

We fully expected that when Ghauri retired, The Well would become very quiet – at least for a while – we are still waiting for that to happen! Perhaps people have realised that their English is fine, that they just lacked confidence, or it was obviously easier to see Ghauri, but now they have no choice! That is not necessarily a bad thing☺

In August once again, along with one of our volunteers – Chrissy, I had the privilege of helping Govanhill Free Church run a 2-day Holiday Club called Kitab Klub. Over 40 children and 25 mothers/carers enjoyed the theme of “The Upside Down Kingdom”. One mother commented after hearing the story of Zacchaeus that “he didn't do anything to earn God's forgiveness, that he just loved Jesus and was forgiven.” If people were disappointed in the club, it was purely that it was only for two days and not for more!

## Charity Update News

We are on course to submit our application to OSCR by the end of September. A few weeks ago we had a 'development day' for the committee and volunteers. This was a good opportunity to look at every aspect of The Well's work and consider the future direction. We recognise that The Well now serves a much wider community than the Asian communities of Glasgow that it was set up for. Just today we have not just had Pakistani & Indian clients, but also folks from Afghanistan, Slovakia, Europe and Africa. In the light of this the committee will have to decide what the name of the new charity is going to be! I'm sure they would appreciate your prayers for all the decisions they have to make.

Thank you so much to all who have responded to the suggestion in the newsletter for 100 people to give £10 per month. Your support has been a tremendous encouragement to us. We also have recently had enquiries from people wanting to volunteer with us. Both of these things give us the confidence that God has good plans for The Well!

“ . . . pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all He has done.”

Phil 4:6

- \* Give thanks that Mr Y and his son have been reunited.
- \* Pray that he soon find a new home and get his immigration status resolved.
- \* Give thanks for the Kitab Klub and all the parents and children who came.
- \* Pray for the 'seeds' will have been sown in people's hearts.
- \* Pray for the committee as they make decisions for the future of The Well.
- \* Give thanks for those who pray for and for those who support The Well financially.

Thank you!

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