# Community

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Charity Number: 1099813

#### From Mary Hill

So long, farewell, it's time to say goodbye......I am leaving my role as Frontline manager.

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to work with a fantastic staff team over the years that have made such a positive impact on the lives of so many people. I am handing leadership of Frontline over to the very capable

hands of Elaine Fisher who will, be working in partnership with Jo Rayment to take Frontline forward. Thank you to you all for your support over the years and I wish you every success Bye for now Mary



#### Hello Everyone,

I am Elaine Fisher, the newly appointed CEO of Frontline Partnership and I am very honoured to be chosen for the position. Having been a director for Frontline for three years, I am familiar with all our projects, but will now be working on a day to day basis with the Team. Mary Hill will be retiring at the end of April but the Board of Directors insist she stays with Frontline, as a Director. This way she can continue to keep a close eye on us!

As my sister had Down's syndrome and other physical disabilities, so I bring with me a lifetime experience and understanding. As a family, we ventured into new ideas for integration for those with special needs or care, and Helen was a part of many pilot schemes which have contributed to a greater understanding and acceptance for all. Together with this life experience, I bring my skills as a Graphic Designer, marketing, working in retail, food, education and voluntary work with youth. My husband, Nigel and my children Diana and Simon are very supportive, in fact we support each other, as families do. But they can see how pleased and honoured I am to hold this position and I hope you will meet them

at various events in the future. Everyone have given me such a warm welcome and I am looking forward to meeting you all and working in partnership with the Church.

I look forward to meeting you all soon, Elaine *Elaine Fisher* 



#### TUESDAY CLUB CHRISTMAS BOXES

#### UPDATE

Our shoe boxes were sent to Liberia. The children there were delighted to receive them. Here are a few comments from the children.

Hina, age 13: "I like my car and sometimes I allow my little brother to play with it too. I thank God for Samaritan's Purse Liberia. I love the gift they gave me for my Christmas!"

Gabriel, age 7: "I thank God and Samaritan's Purse because my father and mother were not able to do something like this for me. I am using this colouring pencil to colour my drawings at school."

# **'FRONTLINE BULGARIA'**



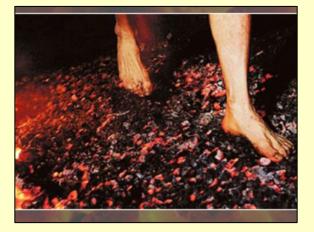
Mary Hill, Gill Soper and Esther Day (OT) spent the last week of March in Bulgaria tying up the ends of Frontline's EU Leonardo project 'New Frontiers in Occupational Therapy'. It was a busy week, including several practical courses for students and staff and an end-of-project Open Day event at Ruse University, both of which attracted much press and TV interest! The remaining items of children's special seating, tricycles etc. were issued to families and therapists, paperwork was sorted and a fun time (mainly featuring tasty Bulgarian food!) was had with friends and colleagues. We have now referred the many children and families with whom we have worked, to the therapy centre run by the Association of Bulgarian Occupational Therapists that is now well established. What will happen next? We are not sure yet, so watch this space!



If you have any news that you would like us to feature on this page, please feel free to email us at...

# enquiries@frontlinepartnership.org.





Mary Hill and Andrew Boreham (son of Mandy Boreham) will be participating in the Brentwood Charity Firewalk at Brentwood Leisure Centre on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2014 to raise funds for Frontline.

Please show you support for Frontline and sponsor these crazy people. This can be done by filling in a sponsor form at Sawyers Church or donating online by searching for Brentwood Charity Firewalk on

## **TUESDAY CLUB**

### COME, CELEBRATE AND SAY A BIG THANK YOU FOR A GREAT NEW LIFE

The Tuesday Club Team and Sawyers Church invite you to come to a dinner during Easter when the Tuesday Club is normally closed for the holiday. The dinner is on Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> of April and it will be held in Sawyers Church at 7pm.
We should love to see you there. There is no charge but we do need to know how many people are coming. Please contact Jo before the 8<sup>th</sup> of April if you would like to join us. Tel No 01277 233889





Tuesday Club dates for your Diary for April 2014 and May 2014

8th April 2014 Tuesday Club is closed for the Easter holidays

**15th April 2014** Tuesday Club is hosting a meal for Holy Week at Sawyers Church 7.30pm

22nd April 2014 Tuesday Club at Sawyers Church 7.30pm

29th April 2014 'On the Town' Treasure Hunt followed by a visit to a Brentwood pub We also have a meal at Izumis this lunchtime. Please speak to Jo if you would like to join us

6th May 2014 Tuesday Club at Sawyers Church 7.30pm

**13th May 2014** Tuesday Club at Sawyers Church 7.30pm

20th May 2014 Tuesday Club at Sawyers Church 7.30pm

27th May 2014 'On the Town' More information to follow

If you require any further information regarding the above please contact the Tuesday Club team on 01277 233889