

Hello to LSM Members and all those who have visited our church this year.

It's been my first year as President of the London Spiritual Mission (LSM) and I cannot believe how time has flown by. Being so welcomed by everyone has been heartfelt and much appreciated. It has been a very busy year for me and re-establishing my connections with the LSM has been important whilst interweaving my commitments abroad and here in the UK. We've had a great year with some significant events, new developments and a growing congregation and membership. All in all, a time of encouraging growth for our church. I'd like to let you know of some notable examples below.

Early on we had the annual animal service where I joined fellow mediums Marie Lang and Peter Geekie and we helped to raise £3,843 for several animal charities. We had a great raffle beautifully wrapped prizes by Marie herself and thank you both. So the two animal Sunday services were a huge success and a big thank you to all those who came to support the charities and our cause.

An evening of clairvoyance with Lynn Probert and James Van Praag where I also joined the platform was another successful and fun event. We three joined in our love of spirit and we gave evidence to many who were present in the congregation. A very uplifting evening.

The two Christmas carol services were also joyous occasions to finish the year. Both services had church members performing with their instruments and their singing with the congregation joining in. Our candlelit church itself looked beautiful decorated with donated plants and flowers plus a wonderful Christmas tree too.

I am particularly pleased to report the start of new LSM development groups in January. These have proven to be very successful. The groups span over an eight week term and then continue in further eight week terms as we as individuals learn from spirit whilst sitting in the silence and feeling the peace. We have two groups one on Monday (new) and one on Tuesday, and have around 50 focused and spiritually minded people in our development groups with requests to join still coming in. Led with the help and dedication of committee members, Steven Levett and myself these evenings are progressing very well and have my overall supervision.

The fabric of the church is also getting attention which is important as it allows our work to progress. The completion of the new disabled toilet is very near and another sign of a little more LSM progress. Thank you to all those who have help behind the scenes. The new chairs and coffee tables placed in the church and library have been generally well accepted and, I must say, really do help with the development groups taken in the church, library and healing chapel. It also means that workshops of different forms can now also be held in the church.

New heaters have been installed along with a new central heating system and general repairs to our church are ongoing. The gardens are well stocked throughout the year with spring in the air our daffodils and tulips are very welcoming. A BIG thank you to those once again on the committee who tirelessly help and keep our church clean, warm and

welcoming for all who attend. It is indeed a hidden gem! but hopefully destined to become well known once again.

If you have come to our Wednesday and Sunday services, our development groups, received healing, attended any of the many workshops offered or simply enjoyed the church and garden then please know we try to maintain a spiritual environment for you all to feel welcome and inspired by God's love and spirit.

Thank you ALL for being part of the LSM.

Gordon Smith
President of the LSM