# LIME TREE HOUSE

SPRING NEWSLETTER 2024

#### We have so much to celebrate!

It's a joy to be available to support those needing Christian Science nursing care and to be providing Christian Science nursing training.

### OPEN MEETING

Our Open meeting will be in person this year. Our speaker will be

## Mrs Gay Bryant Flatt CS

with a talk entitled:

### The Kingdom Within

Date: Saturday 20th July

Time: 2pm

Venue: First Church of Christ, Scientist, Altrincham 55 Ashley Road, Altrincham, Cheshire WA14 2LS

Come and hear about the wonderful work going on and meet some of our Christian Science nurses. The meeting will be recorded and then made available on our website later. Refreshments will be served.

#### LATEST INSPECTION NEWS

We were inspected by the Care Quality Commission last year and just before Christmas we heard that we have been rated as **OUTSTANDING**.

This is a huge achievement and one that we have been working towards for some time.

We held a celebration party recently and awarded training certificates to 5 student Christian Science nurses and another Christian Science nurse who has just been relisted in the Christian Science Journal after completing his level 4 class and mentor training.



A huge well done goes out to everyone at Lime Tree House!



We are so grateful that we currently have **5 student Christian Science nurses.** 

One of our students went to Le Verger in January to complete his Level 4 class and he is now in his mentoring period. This is the final level before applying for Journal listing.

Two more students completed their Level 2 class in December and are now in their mentoring period.

We also have 2 new students who have just completed their Level 1 class and are beginning their mentoring process

This wonderful activity enables Lime Tree House to continue to provide Christian Science nursing care as others have retired.

We continue to receive interest from the UK and abroad for Christian Science nurse training.



We are grateful that Wendy De La Harpe, a Le Verger Instructor, has been providing much of the training.

We have a dedicated team of 6 mentors who provide substantial mentoring. We continue to work with Whitehaven so that students can have time with the VCNS to broaden their training and experience. We have provided mentoring this year for one of Whitehaven's students to support their training.

We have also been supporting some student Christian Science Nurses from South Africa, providing mentoring periods to two level 4 students who are working towards Journal listing. This will hugely support the SA field.

Some lovely comments from those who have received care recently have been:

I felt so nurtured and supported; I felt the love and healing atmosphere as soon as I came in.

I leave Lime Tree with much gratitude and with buoyancy I needed to regain.

A fortnight after arriving in a wheelchair I walked to the car to go home and complete freedom was evidenced soon after - as I resumed all my practical household tasks, shopping, driving and walking the dog.

### **CURRENT PROJECTS**

We are excited that we will finally be having a **new kitchen** later this year. The current kitchen has been in place since we opened in 2003 and, as we have expanded as a team and with more Patient rooms, we have a need for a bigger and new kitchen.

We are also working on the need for more **training facilities** and are listening for the right way forward to provide this. The training facilities need to be close by so instructors, students and mentors can easily access them and also work closely on the Christian Science nursing floor.