

## **Report to Elders on Glossop Worshipping Group**

Since March 2024 a Meeting for Worship has been held at Bradbury Community House in Glossop on the first Wednesday of each month. I am grateful to Area Meeting Elders for their support in this. We have three or four regular attenders now and a number of Friends who have been to one or two Meetings. In addition to these established Friends we have had three Enquirers, some of whom I hope will become regular attenders. It's my belief that this confirms the existence of a genuine opportunity for Friends to again share our particular charism with the people of Glossop and that some of them have a desire to share it.

The room is booked and paid for until 7 August and provisionally booked for the following six months. I hope that Elders can continue to support the Group. I feel that it is very important that we have the spiritual guidance of the Area Elders. I thank all the Elders who have attended thus far for their valuable support and hope that it can continue. If this support continues it would be helpful to me to know in advance which Elder will attend a given meeting.

The Enquirers learned of the Group from two sources: our page on the ECAM website and from posters placed in and around Glossop in April. If we continue with the Group beyond August I intend a second round of posting and to explore paid-for advertising in the Glossop Chronicle and other local print media. There is also a low-traffic Facebook page and Instagram account.

I welcome Elders' feedback on the Group, whether we should continue, and whether Elders can continue to support.

Keith Braithwaite, June 2024

*Subsequently, Keith sent the following information on 4 July.*

The worshipping Group in Glossop will continue to meet on the first Wednesday in each month until at least February 2025. I am very grateful to AM Elders for their continuing support. Next weekend I will mount a second poster campaign in and around Glossop to raise awareness of the group.