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Dear Friends

By now you may have heard the news that our youth worker Loyd Harp and his family are returning to the United States. For a time, they have been thinking and praying about where the Lord is calling them and if the time has come for them to return to the USA.

Loyd is going to be the Youth Coordinator at Brookside Community Church (www.bccindy.org) in Indianapolis, Indiana. Like his role here in Rudgwick, it involves working with young people in the Church and also with young people in the community, but rather than a rural Sussex village it is in the heart of a city similar in size to Leeds. Loyd will be finishing at the end of May and taking up his new post in the summer.

I am immensely grateful to Loyd for all he has done in his nearly 13 years with us. He has made a huge difference in the Church and in the community; he has been influential in the lives of many young people in the Village. Not only has he run Rudgwick Youth Centre and led trips both in the UK and abroad, he has also had a wider role in the Diocese and beyond, speaking at events such as Diocesan May Camp and The Youth Work Summit as well as writing for publications on Youth Work. I'm sure you will join me in wishing him and the family well in this exciting new chapter of their lives.

Every blessing

Martin King

PS. Rest assured this is not the end of youth work in the Village – I will be talking with the PCC about appointing a successor, and I hope we might will have someone in post by the autumn.