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Dear Friends

As you may remember from my letter in the April edition of the magazine, Loyd Harp, our Youth Worker, and his family return to the United States this month to take up a new job as Youth Coordinator at Brookside Community Church in Indianapolis. I am sure you will join me in wishing him and the family well in this new chapter of their lives.

Whilst we say goodbye to Loyd, thanks to his planning and a fantastic team of volunteers, Rudgwick Youth Centre will continue to be open for all the usual sessions (see later on in the magazine). As with so many things, the last year has been rather up and down for youth work with it swinging between being online and then in person, back to online and, since Easter, back in person. I hope that with step 4 of the government's roadmap out of lockdown later this month, the final restrictions will end and things such as the tuck shop will be able to return, and the young people will be able to do more inside Rudgwick Youth Centre as well as outside as they are currently.

Last month we placed adverts for Loyd's successor and later this month we will be interviewing candidates – I hope that we will have someone in place in the early Autumn, so watch this space! Until then, should a young person – or their parents – need help for which they would usually go to Loyd, they are welcome to contact me instead.

Every blessing

Martin King