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Welcome to
Wake Up Call

Your weekly email support from WorkNet



New Beginnings

Work, as life, is full of endings and beginnings. Even in a stable working environment, tasks, projects, relationships or careers come to an end resulting in a new beginning for those involved. Worklife goes through its phases of preparation and training, qualification and development, and then times of progressive withdrawal or retirement - all with beginnings and endings. In a more volatile situation, change produces sometimes unwelcome endings and forced beginnings.

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Whilst some temperaments thrive on change and challenge, even the most adventurous of souls can find endings and beginnings daunting. The challenge of the change will be related to the nature of the step. A step from one good situation to another, whilst a challenge, is not as daunting as going from good to bad. Whatever the relationship between the past and future which wraps around the new beginning, it is interesting to observe that these times change are always made a lot easier if there are positive, welcoming and affirming people around. A child starting school needs friendly teachers and classmates. A retiring worker benefits from a warm send off. And at all steps in between the care, encouragement and support of others create the energy needed to deal with the endings and beginnings of whatever type.

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In this sense we all live by the compassions of others who enable us to take the step on our path. Sadly, sometimes people fail us or let us down and the step becomes painful, discouraging or lonely.

Happily there is a supply of compassion that never fails. The compassions of God, according to Jeremiah - who needed a great deal, never fail; in fact there is a new supply every morning. This covers weekdays and weekends as well holidays. It also covers endings and beginnings. Each new day brings a fresh supply of compassions from the Lord Himself to enable us to cope. Every day, then, is a new beginning with the One who never changes but makes all things new.....

-This wake Up Call is dedicated to my daughter Suzy who leaves home this week-

WORK WELL

Geoff Shattock, National Director

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WAKE UP NEWS

WorkNet is looking for a PA to Geoff Shattock to work particularly on the exciting new Worktalk project. If you are interested in this role (flexible hours) please email your CV to geoff@worknetuk.org .

Please note we had a temporary IT problem during August. We believe we are resolving all the outstanding matters. If you have not received a reply to an enquiry of any kind please accept our apologies and be so kind as to contact us on info@worknetuk.org. We will be answering all enquiries this week. Don't you just love computers!

Thank you for your prayers and good wishes for the WorkTalk project it has now been launched at the New Wine conference and details will be sent to you in a wake update this week.

Here is some biblical background for this week's Wake Up Call.

Lamentations 3:21-24

21 Yet this I call to mind
and therefore I have hope:

22 Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed,
for his compassions never fail.

23 They are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.

24 I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion;
therefore I will wait for him."

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