# July 2011 update from Ken Millwood

Dear All,

Wow! Half way through 2011 already and this is my first update. Two reasons for that – firstly time seems to be going past more quickly (even the window cleaner at work said this last week), and secondly I wanted to wait until I had something to say.

In my last update I mentioned how aware I was that the book was not progressing, mainly because I was still too busy. After taking time to think and pray about this I took the tough decision to resign as secretary of Churches Together in Keynsham & Saltford. My last meeting was the AGM in February, but it took until May before all the outstanding minutes were typed up and paperwork was handed over. I am pleased to hear they have just found a new secretary to replace me.

The other significant change is at KCM where they have introduced flexible working. I am currently doing a pilot of working 10 days in 9. In practice this means working an extra hour each day so I can have every other Friday off. I am getting used to the longer days and using the day off to work on the book (like today). I will need to wait and see whether this can be made permanent, but it is great to have a week day to read, study and write instead of just fitting it all into evenings and weekends.

With these changes I have found time to do little bits on chapters 3, 6, 8, 9 & 12 so the word count is now just over 36,000. One advantage of writing a non-fiction book is that I can work on more than one chapter at the same time as I receive inspiration. I wrote a detailed overview of the whole book several years ago, and apart from the order of a few early chapters the overview has stayed the same, which makes it easy to know which chapter an idea or story should fit into when I get it.

I am looking forward to a week's holiday in early August when I am going to Faith Camp, a Christian camp near Peterborough organised by Kingdom Faith Ministries. This should be a time to 're-charge the spiritual batteries' and spend time listening to God, as well as being with other church members on the same camp site. I think this will be the first time I've slept in a tent in over 10 years, so could be fun!

Finally, thank you for reading this update and taking an interest in what I'm doing.

Kind Regards,

Ken

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