

**Pat and Marion thank you for remembering them at Christmas.**

Pat is now 93 and Marion 88. They spent, a happy Christmas in Belgium with Ruth and Yves and their family. Jane kindly drove us over with her daughter Beth. Jane and Andrew celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> birthdays this January. Lois and Ken are moving to Cornwall. Ken will be licensed on the 16<sup>th</sup> June to the Parish of St Just in Roseland and St Mawes, also acting as the lead minister for the cluster of churches on the Roseland.

Pat had a fall, which saw him in hospital for 3 months a year ago. It is wonderful to see family whenever they can come to see us. John, who lives nearest, is first to be called out in an emergency! David and his family have just been over from Australia, and then a visit from Robert and Aam in February from Jarkarta and their home in Lombok. Andrew has bought a new house in Maidenhead to fit the family.

With our love and blessings for 2008.

### **Pat and Marion Ashe**

These words written by Robert Pickering Ashe (Pat's father) in 1926 are still appropriate:

*All loving thoughts to kind and friendly faces  
Around our hearth upon this Christmas day;  
And love to those we love in far off places,  
And to the loved for ever passed away,  
Who earthward gaze as we their love remember.  
But he above all others wins our thought  
Who came to earth upon that first December,  
And by his coming God's best blessing brought;  
Silent He came as some soft snow- flake falling,  
Men of goodwill alone may hear Him calling  
And come to Him as one who claims His own.*