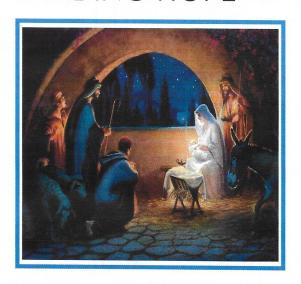


## Present

## FINDING HOPE



## **PERFORMANCES**

SUNDAY, 28 NOVEMBER
ST. PETER'S COMMUNITY CENTRE, BEXHILL - 10.00 A.M

SUNDAY, 5 DECEMBER
NINFIELD METHODIST CHURCH - 10.30 A.M.

SUNDAY, 12 DECEMBER
CHRISTCHURCH METHODIST CHURCH - 10.30 A.M

2022

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, ST. LEONARDS—10.30 A.M.

## **Finding Hope**

## Musicians

Written and Produced by
Directed by Jac Young

Music and Lyrics by
Continuity Josephine Corscadden

Programme Jac Young

Nigel Cox

Design Website

Vocals	Monique Chamberlin
Bass Guitar	Graham Morrow
Vocals, Guitar and Drum Programming	Dave Chamberlin

### Cast

Mark	Chris King
Martha	Meryl Beamont
John	Peter John
Anna	Maria Wheeler
Joanna	Jac Young
The Shepherds	Nick Cearns Alan Young Rhett Thompson

The play is set in Bethlehem at the time of the Census and a group of friends, living in Bethlehem, are unaware that the birth of Jesus is about to happen.

Mark, one of the group, has recently become a widower. He is trying to cope with the loss of his wife. What will give him hope that his life still has meaning?

## Songs

## LYRICS AND MUSIC BY DAVE CHAMBERLIN

### 1. Circle of life

A lonely day for Mark again He'll cope the best he can with the help of friends Oh quite a godsend was Martha when others walk on by

We all can find our own way to grieve
The pain will heal in time we must believe
Oh There's no right way or wrong way
Just do what's right for you

#### Chorus

And so it goes, another life ends
And a new little baby born
A circle of life as the whole world turns
And so along with sadness
Comes the joy too
A little bit of magic
To help us through
To help us through

Their world turned upside down by the census But as a team they all buckled down Oh didn't know though what was coming To their little town

# **Chorus missing last line Chorus**

### 2. Journey to Bethlehem

Oh what a journey for the shepherds to the place where
Christ was born un to the virgin Mary as her son
Word from the angel had inspired them to leave
And they wouldn't rest now til they were done
they were just a little bit apprehensive and maybe worried too

### Chorus

Oh no they wouldn't rest now they wouldn't rest now In the light of it all there would be somehow The Angels words to comfort them Shining down with love

So they
walked on and on, so determined with a
faith they would
See the new born saviour to be born in
Bethlehem
They'd come so far it would all become
achievable
Just a little further for the friends
they were just a little bit apprehensive and
maybe worried too

#### Chorus

### **Bridge**

Just a chance to be there a moment in time a little bit of history and that's the reason why

### Chorus x 2

### 3. Finding hope

Little did they know who they did it for
But their compassion, well it knew no bounds
All they knew was that - they couldn't turn away
The mother needed help right now
Imagine how the mother felt worrying
Knowing that her time was now
She needed any place - with privacy
And she'd have to have what she had found
They offered them to stay in the stable
Couldn't wait any more

#### Chorus

Finding a little bit of hope
Softer feelings
try to cope
when you need it
the Lord will come to you
knocking at your door
When you need a helping hand
But feel there's nothing more

Just a little thing but for Mark it was
The beginning of a brighter day
A little hope was born - deep inside of him
helping hold the grief at bay
Sure enough he didn't see it coming
A relief to all the grief inside
But he welcomed it - with a happiness
For the hope he thought he wouldn't find
That was the turning point just there
With the saviour born

### Chorus x2

Christian Voices was founded in 2008.

"Finding Hope" is our 30th production and we have performed our plays in over 25 churches.

You can find out more about Christian Voices and the plays we have performed, on our website:

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