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Baroness Paisley attends an ecumenical Church of Ireland service

'Hymns of Faith and Hope' at St Mark's

BARONESS Paisley and Mike Nesbitt are among the guests to be interviewed by BBC presenter William Crawley on Sunday, November 16 at 7pm in St Mark's Parish Church in Armagh.

This will be the third Hymns of Faith and Hope event to take place in the parish, which is run along the same lines as Songs of Praise.

Other guests include Melanie Higgins, whose fascinating story of being burned whilst in a car with her sister when she was just two years old will no doubt inspire everyone.

Deborah Doherty will explain the work of Christian Aid, and local men Cathal Doyle, who is the manger of Mullinure Hospital, and Ronnie Watt, a parish reader in St Mark's, also have wonderful stories to tell.

Killylea Silver Band,



William Crawley.

under the baton of Raymond Clarke and Theo Saunders, director of music, and St Mark' Choir will lead the congregation in the hymn singing.

All the hymns, which have been chosen by the guests, are all well known and popular, which will make this event a memorable occasion for all who attend. The collection will be divided between three charities - Changing Faces, Mullinure Patients Comfort Fund and Christian Aid. Refreshments are being provided by the Armagh Christian Aid Committee after the event in the Crozier Hall and everyone is invited to attend.

Baroness Eileen Paisley, wife of Dr Ian R K Paisley, former moderator of the Free Presbyterian Church of Ulster, was one of the principal guests at a Church of Ireland ecumenical service in St Mark's Parish Church in Armagh on November 16th at 7.00 pm.

Other guests included Mr Cathal Doyle, manager of Mullinure Hospital. Mr Doyle, a Roman Catholic, told Rev Ivan Foster in a brief interview that he had chosen the hymn "Be Thou my vision".

The chairman of the gathering was William Crawley.

There is a very interesting article on him on the wikipedia website in which, among other things, he describes himself as a "a lapsed Protestant"!

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/William_Crawley]

Reproduced on the left is a report of the service which appeared in the "Ulster Gazette".



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It is sad to read of Baroness Paisley taking part in a service, the nature of which is quite contrary to the stand and witness of the Free Presbyterian Church, a service indeed which the Free Presbyterian Church had been brought into existence under God by her husband, to oppose and expose as being contrary to the whole message of the gospel.

The modern Church of Ireland is dedicated to reunion with Roman Catholicism and the promotion of the idea that there is a commonality between Biblical Protestantism and the errors of Rome.

The meeting in St Mark's furthered that falsehood and Baroness Paisley, by being there, gave her sanction to that lie.

"How are the mighty fallen, and the weapons of war perished!" 2 Samuel 1:27.