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Songs of praise from Nick the Vic

A POOLE minister with a penchant for rock and pop had just released his first album of songs written to help children understand his message of faith.

Nick Wood, or Nick the Vic as he is affectionately known, has launched a CD of eight songs at Upton Methodist Church.

The musical Methodist minister for the Poole and Swanage area wrote the songs over the last seven years to perform for school assemblies and for church groups across his area.

He added: "People had been asking me 'where can I get hold of those songs?' so I thought it would be a good idea to record them properly."

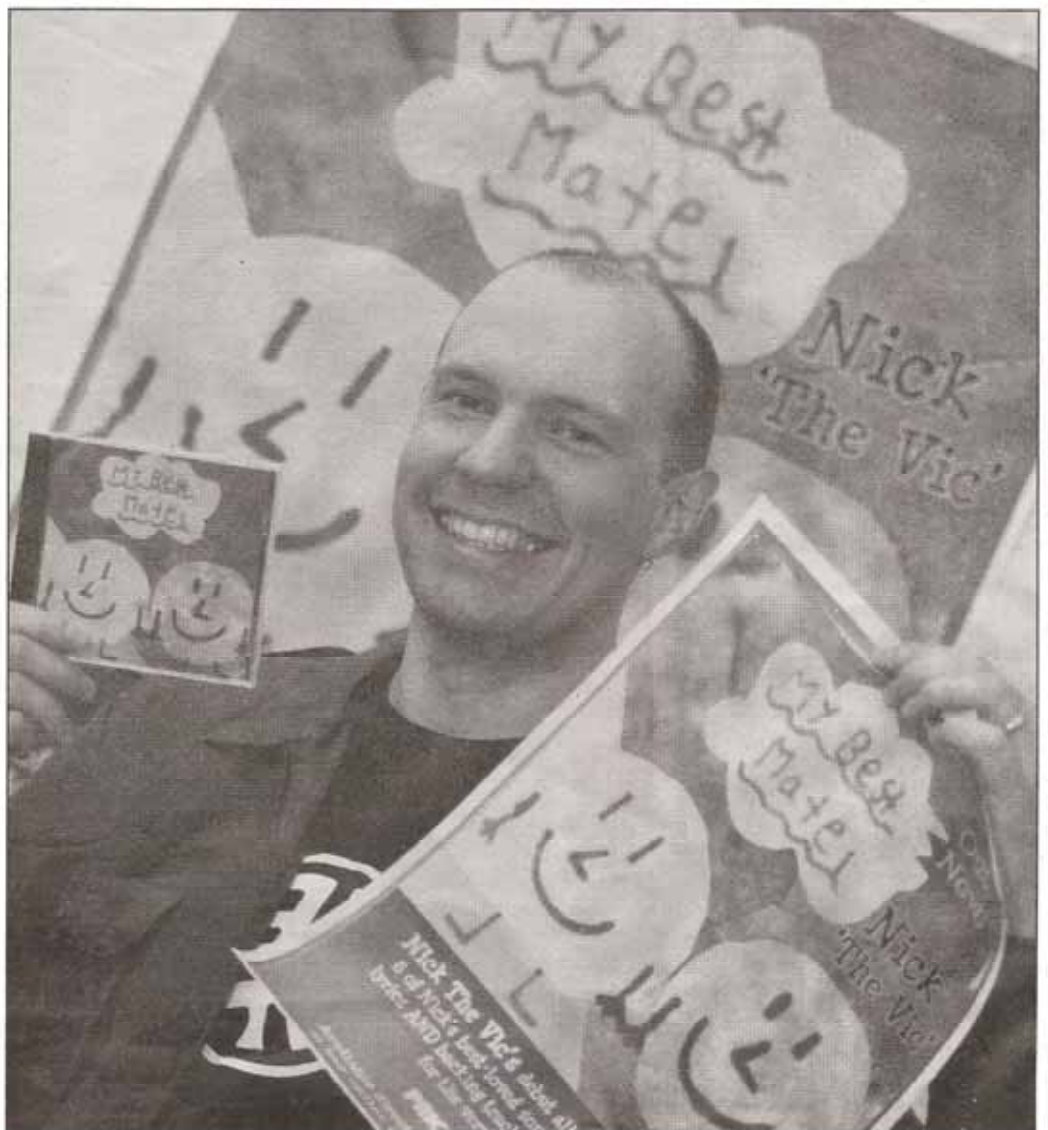
The rocky sounding collection covers subjects from food to elastic bands, with Nick on guitars, and his wife Suzannah helping with keyboard and backing vocals.

He said his aim was to break away from stuffy old-fashioned hymns.

"I've tried to use words and images the children will relate to," he added. "It's the same message, but the packaging is hopefully more relevant to the 21st century."

Nick ran a competition for some of the children he works with to come up with the art work for the CD - entitled My Best Mate. Holly Shannon, 10, from Lytchett Matravers created the winning design.

The CD released on December 7, is available from nickthevic.co.uk.



ON SONG: Nick the Vic at his CD launch in Upton

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