




Petersfield Area Churches Together

10 Churches - many shades of worship - but only 1 God !

March 2010 Newsletter

Hello , I enclose the latest PACT newsletter.

God bless, **Susanne Irving**

Women's Day of Prayer

Friday, 5th March 2010 (URC) at 1.30pm: PACT churches meet together and this year it is being hosted by the URC and organised by Joyce Perry, telephone: 01730 263502. The service itself has been designed by the women from the Cameroon. Cameroonian women are involved in a struggle for peace, justice and integrity and equal rights. Can we join with them in prayers for their nation and nations worldwide. The wonderful thing about joining on this day is the thought that prayers are going up all day 24/7 right around the world! Please can any two wonderful women of prayer help?

[Read more on the PACT web site.](#)

Tearfund Supporters' Meeting

Tuesday, 9th March at 7:30 pm (St Peter's Hall): Fran Pyatt will be describing the work of Disaster Management Teams from her experience of visits to teams in Africa, and will be updating us with further information on the work in Haiti. Since Haiti is so much in the news, this gives an excellent opportunity to get behind the headlines. Disaster areas quickly disappear from the news, but the work goes on for a long time. Please encourage all those who might be interested to come.

Messy Church

Tuesday, 16th March 2010, from 3.30pm (Methodist Church)

Theme: Jesus in the Desert

Food: Beef Cobbler, vegetables and bread. A vegetarian alternative will be available

Cake: If you can please bring cake - home made or bought, both are most welcome!

[Visit the Messy Church page on the PACT web site](#)

Photography Exhibition

Saturday, 27th March from 10.00am-5.00pm (The Petersfield Community Centre, Love Lane): This has been organised by the Petersfield Photographic Society of which I am a member. On show will be members' prints and digital images. All my prints are for sale, and profits will be equally split between IMC (In Ministry to Children) and The Kings Arms. Light refreshments will be served throughout the day. Free admission and parking.

Coach Holiday to the English Lake District

19th – 26th June 2010: Once again, friends from the Methodist Church are organising a holiday to one of the Christian Guild Hotels and would like other Christians in the Petersfield area to join with them. This year they are making a return visit to the popular Abbot Hall Hotel at Kents Bank, near Grange-over-Sands. The coach leaves the church in Station Road at 9.00am picking up at Liss, Alton, and Basingstoke. Half board en-suite accommodation cost from £516 per person which includes return travel and five full day excursions. Please call Gordon Churchill on 01730 260454 for more information or visit Abbot Hall's website at <http://www.christianguild.co.uk/abbothall>

Volunteers needed

The biggest need expressed by all the PACT organisations is for more volunteers. Just a reminder of the groups affiliated or associated with PACT (You can learn more about them on the [PACT website...](#)): Voluntary Care Group, Money Matters, Holiday Club, Petersfield Housing Association, Christian Aid, Christian Ecology Group, Society of Special Needs, Causeway Prospects, Petersfield Counselling Services, Homestart Butser, The Kings Arms, Social Concerns Group, Tearfund, Unity Bookshop, IMC (In Ministry to Children), Prayer Impact, Alpha, Youthwork Support Team, Messy Church and Positive Parenting. Two examples of how you can help: The Social Concerns Group needs people who will be willing to organise the popular Christmas lunch in future. Volunteer at the Holiday Club, which runs from 26th-30th July this year.

Support the Unity Bookshop

Continue to get your books, bibles, cards and worship CDs at 15 Folly Lane GU31 4AU. If an item is not in stock, they are more than happy to order it for you. Telephone: 01730 262572. Thanks for your support so far – it has kept the bookshop going when bigger chains like Wesley Owen had to close shops.

[Visit the Unity Bookshop page on the PACT web site.](#)

Spiritual food for thought

"It is no advantage to be near the light if the eyes are closed." (Augustine)

Any items for inclusion in the **APRIL** PACT Newsletter to reach me by
Monday, 29th March

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