



Petersfield Area Churches Together

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

June 2009 Newsletter

A prayer to be said when the world has gotten you down and you feel rotten,
and you're too doggone tired to pray,
and you're in a big hurry,
and besides, you're mad at everybody...

“Help!”

(Author unknown)

Hello , the above made me smile and also cringe. How easily it is to forget to connect with God properly on a daily basis because “life” gets in the way... God bless,
Susanne Irving

Launch of Tearfund's new “Make it flow” water and sanitation campaign

Monday 15 June (Southampton) – 19:45-21:30: Tearfund regional managers, Wim Mauritz and Ruth Sadler, will be speaking at these events. If you have missed the other two meetings, there is still one you can go to in order to catch up... There's no need to RSVP – please come along and bring your friends and family.

IMC Funday

Saturday, 13th June, 9am-12.30pm (Rams walk): Any contributions of cakes or gifts for Tombola or Raffle prizes would be gratefully received. There will be a hand knit stall & good paperback books stall as well. Please bring to PCF Office. Cakes you can bring on the day, just let us know what you are bringing. Don't forget to bring your pennies for the penny trail!!! If you would like to help with a collection tin in the town. Contact Sandra Coombes at PCF office 01730 231400 or email: admin@pcfoffice.freemove.co.uk

Taster Course in Spirituality “God in all things”

Tuesday, 2nd+9th+16th June from 7.15pm-9.15pm (St. Peter's): Week 1 "God around us", 9th June "God in everyday", 16th June "God in darkness". Cost is £7.50 per evening or £20 for all 3 weeks. Further details from Mrs. Kay Lancaster on 023 9289 9656 or email kay.lancaster@portsmouth.anglican.org.

Advance notice: Lord of the rings Part 3 (“The return of the king”)

Saturday, 18th July at 3pm (TPS Studio): Last of 3 plays put on to raise money for IMC (In Ministry to Children). Tickets now on sale (adults £ 2, children, £ 1). Contact Amy Thomas on 01730 301 173.

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. Tel 01730 262572.

Advance notice: Help float the ARC

Wednesday, 22nd July (The Thames in London): The ARK event is part of a [campaign](#) aimed at influencing the "make or break" international climate change negotiations in December, 2009. It is about encouraging Christians to follow the example of Noah, who was a virtuous man and conservationist. He stood out from others, exercised bold leadership and helped protect God's creation on the Ark. Thanks to his fearlessness, his lack of complacency and his foresight, humans and animals survived the flood intact. Operation Noah is mobilising people to emulate Noah - by making sure negotiators and politicians decide on meaningful cuts in pollution. They need your help to raise £25,000 by May. The plan is to dress up boats as Arks on the River Thames. They'll bring a gaggle of geese and other animals; hundreds of schoolchildren and supporters. They'll arrange hymns and prayers; a brass band and choir; and petitions. And they'll involve journalists and photographers. £10k would help pay staffing costs and related expenses for five months up to the event. £3k would fund the hire of an 'Ark' on the Thames to carry the Bishop of London, and supporters to the House of Commons. £1k would help fund a smaller boat for journalists. £500 would help decorate the boat to resemble the Ark. £300 would help cover the cost of bringing animals on board the 'Ark'. Any donation - no matter how small - is appreciated. You can donate online at www.operationnoah.org Or post a cheque made out to Operation Noah to, The Grayston Centre, 28 Charles Square, London N1 6HT.

Launch of PACT website

Sunday, 31st May from 3-5pm (The Square): The PACT web site will be launched at the Pentecost Songs of Praise.

Spiritual food for thought

"An inactive faith, entombed in an intellectually approved creed, is of no more value than a corpse. A saving faith is an active faith." (Edmond D. Hiebert)

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

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