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Lambeth 2008

My overall reflection on the Lambeth Conference, which is concluding as I write, is to affirm that the Anglican Communion is a unique global network of Christians serving Jesus Christ in a myriad of contexts.

Nearly 700 Bishops and Spouses gathered at Canterbury from 23rd July for an intensive two and a half weeks of prayer, Bible study and challenging discussions about matters as diverse as global warming, domestic violence, the Millennium Development Goals, Brain MacLaren's inspired practise of evangelism and the Chief Rabbi's analysis of Covenant in scripture and society.

After over 35 years of world wide Christian fellowship I have recognised for some time that significant members of the Anglican family have grown up and are more than ready to take full responsibility for God's Mission in their spheres of influence. As we all know, the structures and rules, such as they are, of the family have been strained to breaking point during the rapid growth of the family and the increasing awareness of radically different theologies and cultural settings.

Over the next few months and years we will need to transform our haphazard and inadequate arrangements into a system which affirms a Communion of relationships and networks under the authority of God, benefitting from our hard-won Anglican tradition, while working with and through our differences. A great weight is being laid at present on the Covenant Design Group and the Windsor Continuation process, of which more in a future article.

Some of you will have heard me say at a recent Diocesan Synod that I approached this Lambeth Conference with limited enthusiasm. I have indeed missed my Ugandan friends yet have enjoyed wonderful fellowship with close colleagues from the Global South, not least from

Singapore and Egypt, with women bishops and with many others who are praying and working in conditions of great poverty and danger.

I have also appreciated frank and respectful conversations with fellow bishops for example from the United States and Ireland many of whom do their theology from a different standpoint to me.

One of the consistent issues from DR Congo to Cuba, from Sri Lanka to Salonika is the challenge of making strong disciples of Jesus Christ. This is not only in clergy formation but especially in developing confident Christians in every walk of life. The joy of the Communion is that, united in the truth of Christ, we have the ability to suffer together, change the world together and proclaim the life-giving Gospel together. Of course, parts of the Anglican family remain poles apart on particular issues and may go on different paths for some time. Such painful disputes are common throughout Church history and will be recognised easily by those who live in extended families.

I believe our diocesan and parish links will go on from strength to strength and that meanwhile many of us will continue to work together for the continuation of a world-wide, generous and orthodox Anglican Communion.

You can read the Lambeth Indaba reflection paper which is a record of some of the conversations held by Bishops in groups designed to enable purposeful conversation in a way that allowed every Bishop to be heard. The link is to the document is <http://www.lambethconference.org/reflections/document.cfm>

*+David
Bishop of Birmingham*

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Topical Comment

Heaven on Earth

Most of you will know the phrase in the Lord's Prayer that says, "Your kingdom come, you will be done on earth as it is in heaven." That prayer is a daily inspiration for millions of followers of Jesus who long for a world that is just, peaceful and full of joy – a refection of heaven here on earth.

While Jesus preached and taught he spoke often of the Kingdom of Heaven promising those who would listen that this rule of love was not far away. We still believe that by coming to know Jesus through prayer and the study of scriptures and by living a life committed to

following him we are given a foretaste of heaven which we are called to share with our neighbours – those on our street and those global neighbours connected by our international politics and economics.

Many Christians will be able to tell you of moments or incidents in their lives when they felt the Kingdom of Heaven mysteriously break through from eternity into their finite and limited life on earth.

Next Friday, on August 8th we, as a church, celebrate such a moment. It is called the Transfiguration and happened in the middle of Jesus' earthly ministry when he took three of his closest friends up a hill and they saw him transformed – literally covered in glory. God spoke to them from a cloud and said: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him."

This encounter with Jesus, the Son of God, must have strengthened those disciples as they saw their Lord and friend crucified, resurrected and then called back to heaven leaving them the Holy Spirit through whom to grow the Church and continue his work on earth.

You will have probably heard that this summer has not been easy for the Church of England or the extended family of Christians across the world known as the Anglican Communion.

Every ten years, hundreds of Bishops from across the world meet to pray and study together, but this year some 200 felt unable to join the Lambeth Conference while differences exist on authority and ethics.

But last week this gathering was transfigured. The 670 Bishops that have gathered in Canterbury together with their spouses, joined other faith leaders, diplomats and campaigners to speak up for those whose lives are afflicted by poverty.

Together we walked through the centre of London in what the Prime Minister Gordon Brown described as the greatest show of faith the city had ever seen. Campaigning for the urgent fulfilment of the Millennium Development Goals, justice for the poor, protection for the planet and improved healthcare and education for all, we found a glimpse of heaven on earth. I pray that the politicians were listening.

May God bless you this summer and may you find heaven on earth through Jesus Christ.

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News

How the New Fire Safety Regulations affect your Place of Worship

04 August 2008

The WM Fire Service have held presentations in June, at their Smethwick training centre, on how this affects places of worship specifically. (The Order became effective 1st October 2006 and was advertised in the July 2006 Bulletin).

The 2005 Order applies to churches and parish halls, irrespective of size. It means fire certificates are no longer needed, but a Fire Risk Assessment is, and some precautionary measures. It requires a "responsible person" to be identified, very likely to be either the PCC/incumbent (not necessarily an individual).

The Order also covers houses in multi-occupation, community halls, educational establishments, halls of residence, the self-employed people, and organisations of volunteers. Definitive Guides are available free at www.communities.gov.uk/publications/fire/firesafetyrisk7 (but use the version at <http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/fire/firesafetyrisk> if your building seats over 300). Also, "A short Guide to Making your Premises Safe from Fire" is available at www.communities.gov.uk/publications/fire/regulatoryreformfire.

Remember: churches do not have to introduce alarm systems, fire exit signs, emergency lighting, or outward-opening doors PROVIDED the risk assessment shows they're unnecessary. However, you must arrange to be able to evacuate safely when needed. If insured with EIG, further useful guidance is at http://www.ecclesiastical.com/ourproducts/insurance/churchinsurance/church_fire_gu

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Notification of Appointments

18 July 2008

The Revd Roger Sheppard
Bishop's Permission to Officiate
To be: Assistant Priest SSM, All Saints Four Oaks (September)

The Revd Paul Rattigan

Priest in Charge, St Michael Boldmere
To be: Vicar, St Michael Bolmere (December)

The Revd Jo Johnson
Assistant Curate, St Peter Hall Green
To be: Vicar, St Barnabas Kingshurst (October)

The Revd Petros Nyatsanza
Priest in Charge, St James Rounds Green
To be: Vicar, All Saints Goodmayes (Chelmsford) (October)

The Revd Samuel Ntoyimondo
To have: Bishop's Permission to Officiate (September)

The Revd Dr Mark Cartledge
Senior Lecturer in Pentecostal and Charismatic Theology, University of Birmingham
To have: Bishop's Permission to Officiate (January)

The Revd Richard Wharton
Priest in Charge, St Michael Gospel Lane (LEP)
To be: Assistant Anglican Chaplain, University Hospital NHS Trust (September)

The Revd Catherine Grylls
Priest in Charge, St Paul Balsall Heath and St Mary & St Ambrose Edgbaston
To be: Vicar, The United Benefice of Balsall Heath and Edgbaston (October)

The Revd Ulrike Landmann
Assistant Curate SSM, St Paul Balsall Heath & St Ambrose Edgbaston
To be: Assistant Curate SSM, United Benefice of Balsall Heath and Edgbaston (October)

The Revd David Gould
Team Vicar, Kings Norton Team
To be: Vicar, The Resurrection with Holy Trinity Smethwick (October)

The Revd Richard Tebbs
Incumbent, The Yelverton Team (Exeter)
To be: Priest-in-charge, St Leonard Frankley with St Christopher Holly Hill (September)

Retirement

The Revd Nigel Jones
Vicar, St Margaret Olton
To: Resign this appointment upon retirement (June)

The Revd Anupama Kamble
 p/t Chaplain. Assistant Curate, St Martin in the Bull Ring
 To: Resign this appointment but remain p/t Chaplain to Aston
 University (July)

The Revd Christopher Evans
 Vicar, St Peter Harborne
 To: Resign this appointment upon retirement (September)

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Update from the Church of England

18 July 2008

Countdown to Lambeth 2008

Around 650 Anglican bishops from all over the world are arriving in Canterbury this week for the Lambeth Conference 2008: *Equipping Bishops for Mission*. Reports and background on the Conference can be found [here](#)

Reach out on gun crime says Archbishop of York Full details of
 his Presidential address at General Synod [here](#)

Call for end to detention of children seeking Asylum - Archbishop of
 Canterbury speaks out. Full text [here](#)

Summaries of General Synod, July 2008

Summaries of the debates of the recent Group of Sessions are now available on the Church of England website. Full summary [here](#)

Shorter version, without links to papers or audio archive, ideal for use in parish magazines can be found [here](#)

Call Waiting ... it maybe for you

Young people who think they may be being called into ordained ministry are at the centre of a national campaign launched by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Rowan Williams. More details [here](#)

'Tower of Babel' warning over digital broadcasting

Two Bishops today warn of the risk that, without strong and vibrant public service content, broadcasting after digital switchover could sow confusion and mistrust rather than aid public enlightenment and social cohesion. Full details [here](#)

No nonsense guide to churchgoing

A cartoonist and an author have joined forces to create a fresh guide to churchgoing - published by the Church of England this week - which has already won praise for its no-nonsense approach to explaining the Anglican faith. Full details [here](#)

Archbishop of Canterbury responds to Gafcon statement

Read the full text [here](#)

Lambeth Palace welcomes Lord Chief Justice remarks on Sharia law.

Full story [here](#)

Building faith in our future -

latest news from

Cathedrals and Church Buildings at the Church of England. See Newsletter 9

[here](#)

CofE response to Charity Commission draft guidance

The Church of England has expressed a number of concerns about the Charity Commission's latest draft guidance on public benefit and the advancement of religion while welcoming the progress the draft represents in recognising the contribution of religious bodies to the public benefit. Full details [here](#)

Archbishop's statement on blessing service

Joint [statement](#) by the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Archbishop of York regarding St Bartholomew-the-Great.

Renewable energy costs may affect fuel poverty

Bishops have called on government to take the numbers experiencing fuel poverty into account when setting policy on increasing renewable energy generation. Full story [here](#)

Archbishop of Canterbury Dr Rowan Williams

- Welcome for Government announcement on Credit Unions, full story [here](#)
- [Lambeth Degrees](#)
- Visit to Bradford Diocese - full details [here](#)

Archbishop of York Dr John Sentamu

- **Zimbabwe** - [plea](#) from Dr Sentamu plus a [call](#) for civil rights movement to restore the country
- [New Chaplain](#) appointed
- Archbishop's [tribute](#) to Pat Regan

Bright ideas for a greener church, starting this summer - Church House Publishing

Church House Publishing's latest bulletin features news on a range of new titles to help you relax and recharge this summer - and to also resource and re-invigorate your own spiritual life, or those of your congregation or small group.

Details [here](#)

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SPACE ENCOUNTERS AT BIRMINGHAM CATHEDRAL

13 July 2008

Four multi-sensory prayer stations have been placed around the Cathedral based on the themes of Faith, Peace, Direction and Rest. The prayer zones include a scenting machine, water features, candles, meditations and artwork. The zones start in the welcome foyer and continue up to the Sanctuary (by the altar) of the cathedral taking visitors on a prayer pilgrimage around the building.

Assistant Dean at the Cathedral, the Revd Canon Peter Howell-Jones said: "These zones will provide a stimulating environment for people to stop and reflect on life and faith.

"The Cathedral is ideally placed for visitors to the city, members of the business community and shoppers to take a few minutes out of their daily routines to focus on the deeper things of life.

"Birmingham Cathedral is at the heart of the city and hundreds of people walk past the building on their way to the city centre. In the summer months, the churchyard is full of people meeting friends, having lunch and relaxing. The Cathedral is exploring ways of connecting with these people who enjoy spending time in the churchyard but do not yet come inside the church building."

Space Encounters is a partnership between several Christian organisations including the Church Pastoral Aid Society, SGM Lifewords and the Church of England. Visitors are welcome to the Cathedral from 7.30am to 7pm every day. Space Encounters opens today, Monday July 13th, for two weeks.

PIC CAP _ Assistant Dean of Birmingham Cathedral, The Revd Canon Peter Howell-Jones at the Rest Prayer Station

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Churches launch 'Hope for Creation' resources

11 July 2008

Hope for Creation! That's what British and Irish Churches have at a time when many scientists and campaigners are painting an apocalyptic image of a future dominated by climate change, and some find it difficult to have any hope at all.

The Churches are not burying their heads in the sand, and they recognise the need to deal with and pray about the ecological problems that face humankind. To help people to do this, Churches Together in Britain and Ireland (CTBI) has put together a programme of resources for use in what is being called 'Creation Time', which runs from the beginning of September until the feast day of St Francis on 4 October.

There are also a wide variety of additional resources for inclusion in worship services and liturgies, together with group study ideas, children and all-age resources, and action ideas. All these will help churches, groups and individuals to focus on Creation Time, either for one week or the whole month.

The Creation Time materials are available as free downloads from www.ctbi.org.uk/creationtime.

The Revd Bob Fyffe, General Secretary of Churches Together in Britain and Ireland, says, "We encourage churches to begin planning now for Creation Time, and we hope that what we are offering will help them to do so. There is here a rich resource to meet the needs of clergy and congregations looking for ideas for harvest, as well as more in-depth material for worship and study use throughout Creation Time and beyond."

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Small Advertisements

10 July 2008

Songs of Praise celebrating 25 years since Billy Graham visited the UK

I am working on a Songs of Praise celebrating 25 years since Billy Graham visited the UK as part of Mission England. For the programme I am trying to find someone who was profoundly affected by his speeches and who's life changed as a result. This may be someone who began talking about their faith for the first time as a counsellor or a person who was not a practising Christian but since going forward at an event in 1984 has found Christianity to be a central part of their life.

They can be anyone from anywhere - as long as they are happy to tell me their story - with a view to being featured on a TV programme next year. I'm hoping to film with sometime in the next few months so would be looking to hear from people at the end of August at the latest.

Please call me with any questions - I can be contacted at
Jennie.Bateson@bbc.co.uk and 0161 244 3230

Self catering christian conference centre

St Swithin's House, Barston, nr Solihull, which is owned by the Diocese, sleeps upto 24 folk in bunk beds in six bedrooms, and has a meeting room which can accommodate upto 60 people.

There is a discount for UPA Churches.

Full details: www.stswithinshouse.co.uk

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Do you know someone about to become a University student?

04 July 2008

This can be an exciting but also intimidating prospect, one which some members of your congregation may well be facing soon. Some of them may be wondering where they will find Christian friends in their place of study. Others may be looking forward to the freedom to explore spirituality, or even just want to know where they will find a listening ear. Whatever the case, chaplains can help.

There are chaplaincies at virtually every university, and many Further Education colleges. Many of them work closely with Christian groups based in their institutions, and all will have details of local churches. Do put a plug in for chaplaincies, please, with anybody you know who is about to start a course.

You can also help by letting the relevant chaplain know details of people from your parish or church who are going to their institution. You should make sure (please don't assume!) that the person concerned is happy for you to pass on their details, and give the chaplain as much contact information as you can, including term-time address and e-mail once it becomes available. Better still get the new student to contact the chaplain themselves.

Finally, please remember in your prayers students and chaplains, especially in the crucial start-of-year period between September and October. Thank you.

Fr Nicholas Io Polito is the Anglican Chaplain at the University of Birmingham, and has access to contact information for most chaplaincies in the UK. He can be contacted on 0121 414 8151, or by

e-mail: n.lopolito@bham.ac.uk

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Courses

Leading your Church into Growth 2008

A 4 day course for clergy & lay leaders from across different traditions and denominations who are looking for help and encouragement in leading their church into growth.

Venue: Swanwick - 3 - 6 November

Cost: £225 per person inc full board with all course resources.

Organised by:

For more information, contact: Tracie Hunt

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Learning for Discipleship 2008 - 2009

Autumn 2008

1: INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY

Starting 23 September 2008, 10 Tuesday afternoons 1.45-3.00.

Tutor: Peter Kevern. This module consists of an introductory approach to Christian Theology through the questions contemporary people ask about Christian faith.

2: INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY

Starting 23 September 2008, 10 Tuesday evenings 8.15-9.30.

Tutor: Peter Kevern. This module consists of an introductory approach to Christian Theology through the questions contemporary people ask about Christian faith.

3: BASIC GREEK

Starting 24 September 2008, 10 Wednesday afternoons 1.45-4.45 - with coffee break

Tutor: David Allen. A course for complete beginners, to introduce you to the very basics of New Testament Greek.

4: BASIC HEBREW

Starting 24 September 2008, 10 Wednesday afternoons 1.45–4.45 -
with coffee break

Tutor: Knut Heim. Enjoy a dip into the language that lies behind the
Old Testament. A course designed for complete beginners.

5: BIBLE AND LIBERATION (This module is level 2/3. Diocesan
students are very welcome to enrol, however it will not be possible to
do assessed work for this module.

Starting 24 September 2008, 7 Wednesday afternoons 2.00 – 5.00
(including coffee break 3.00 - .3.30pm)

Tutor: Mukti Barton. The module consists of a basic introduction to
hermeneutical principles for reading the Bible from the perspective of
oppressed peoples in history and society.

SPRING 2009

6: THE SOUL IN PARAPHRASE: POETRY AS THE LANGUAGE OF FAITH,
BELIEF AND SPIRITUAL TURMOIL

Starting 12 January 2009, 10 Monday evenings 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Tutor: Mark Pryce. This course will explore poetry as an expression of
Christian believing.

7: THE CREED : WHAT DO CHRISTIANS BELIEVE?

Starting 12 January 2009, 10 Monday evenings 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Tutor: Crispin Pailing. We are used to saying the creeds in our
worship, but rarely do we explore in detail what it is we say we
believe.

8: BLACK AND ASIAN THEOLOGY

Starting 14 January 2009, 10 Wednesday afternoons 2.00 – 3.30
including coffee plus 5 seminars 3.30 – 5.00

Tutor: Mukti Barton. This course offers a chance for all people (not
only Black and Asian) to see how race, gender and class affect our
knowledge and interpretation of the Bible.

9: STUDIES IN A GOSPEL: MARK

Starting 15 January 2009, 10 Thursday evenings 7.30 – 9.30.

Tutor: Liz Howlett. Mark is the gospel followed in the lectionary this
year. What are the main themes in Mark's Gospel?

SUMMER 2009

10: GOD'S SAVING GRACE: PAST UNDERSTANDINGS AND PRESENT
HOPES

Starting 20 April 2009, 10 Monday evenings 7.30 – 9.30

Tutor: Brian Russell

We will look at a range of understandings of God's Saving Grace and

their implications for understanding the nature of God, the person and work of Jesus, the purposes of the Church in God's mission, and discipleship as an expression of this mission.

11: READING PAUL'S LETTERS

Starting 21 April 2009, 10 Tuesday mornings 10.30 – 12.30

Tutor: Caroline Wickens. This course will seek to explore Paul's theological thinking in the context of the social and economic situation of his time, and to consider what we can learn from him about methods of applying the Gospel in our own situation.

12: ORTHODOXY AND HERESY: THE BIRTHPANGS OF CHRISTIANITY

Starting 22 April 2009, 10 Wednesday evenings 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Tutor: Rowena Pailing. This course aims to trace the development of Christian thought from the earliest recorded teachings through figures such as Origen, Arius, the Cappadocian Fathers and Augustine.

13: NEGLECTED BIBLICAL WISDOM

Starting 23 April 2009, 10 Thursday evenings 7.30 – 9.30

Tutor: Peter Hatton. This module will begin with two sessions of general discussion on what is meant by Wisdom. Three sessions will cover the Book of Proverbs. Two sessions on Ecclesiastes follow and then a session on the relatively popular Book of Job. The final two sessions will look at Wisdom both in other Jewish writings including at Qumran and in the New Testament.

Venue: Queen's Theological College is in Somerset Road, Edgbaston

Cost: Each 10-week module is £70 + £10 if you take the assessed work.

Organised by: The Queen's Foundation, Methodist Church and Anglican Diocese of Birmingham

For more information, contact: Liz Howlett

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Want to know the truth behind the tabloids?

Please join us for information sessions on ASYLUM ISSUES and training for BEFRIENDING asylum seekers and refugees.

On Mondays 6th, 13th & 20th October 2008, 7.30-9.30pm.

The training is offered to all those interested in becoming befrienders of asylum seekers and refugees. Anyone wishing to gather further information on asylum and refugee issues is also welcome.

Sessions focus on:

- the current situation and needs relating to asylum seekers and refugees
- the asylum application process
- how individuals and churches across the city are responding to the needs of asylum seekers and refugees
- befriending matters including motivation behind our action, boundaries, and cultural and religious sensitivity.

Befrienders and asylum seekers will share their stories.

WEBSITE: <http://www.restore-uk.org>

Venue: All Saints Church, 172 Herbert Road, Small Heath, Birmingham, B10 0PR

Cost:

Organised by: Restore

For more information, contact: Jeremy Thompson

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E-mail: restore-uk.org

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Events

Hiroshima Exhibition

04/08/2008

Date: 04 August 2008

Venue: South Aisle, Birmingham Cathedral

Cost:

Organised by: Birmingham Cathedral

For more information, contact:

Name: Carol Currier

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E-mail: carol.currier@birminghamcathedral.com

Asylum Seekers Vigil in the Churchyard

04/08/2008

Date: 04 August 2008

Venue: Birmingham Cathedral

Start: 5.00 pm.

Cost:

Organised by: Birmingham Cathedral

For more information, contact:

Name: Carol Currier

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Hope Soars - An exhibition by Sheona Beaumont

04/08/2008

Date: 04 August 2008

Venue: St Martin in the Bull Ring, Birmingham

Time: 10am - 5pm. A series of digital prints by the artist Sheona Beaumont exploring expressions of Christian hope with the imagery of birds. www.shospace.co.uk www.christianartstrust.org.uk

Cost:

Organised by: Saint Martin's Arts

For more information, contact:

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E-mail:

Holy Communion Service

06/08/2008

Date: 06 August 2008

Venue: Birmingham Cathedral

Start: 1.10 pm.

Cost:

Organised by: Birmingham Cathedral

For more information, contact:

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**West Midlands CND Commemoration of the bombing of
Hiroshima and Nagasaki**

09/08/2008

Date: 09 August 2008

Venue: The Churchyard, Birmingham Cathedral

Start: 11.30 am.

Cost:

Organised by: Birmingham Cathedral

For more information, contact:

Name: Carol Currier

Telephone: 0121 262 1840

E-mail: carol.currier@birminghamcathedral.com

Holy Communion Service

13/08/2008

Date: 13 August 2008

Venue: Birmingham Cathedral

Start: 1.10 pm.

Cost:

Organised by: Birmingham Cathedral

For more information, contact:

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Wholeness and Healing Service

14/08/2008

Date: 14 August 2008

Venue: Birmingham Cathedral

Start: 1.10 pm. With Revd Canon Henry Burgess

Cost:

Organised by: Birmingham Cathedral

For more information, contact:

Name: Carol Currier

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Asylum Seekers Vigil in the Churchyard

18/08/2008

Date: 18 August 2008
Venue: Birmingham Cathedral

Start: 5.00 pm.

Cost:
Organised by: Birmingham Cathedral

For more information, contact:

Name: Carol Currier
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Holy Communion Service

20/08/2008

Date: 20 August 2008
Venue: Birmingham Cathedral

Start: 1.10 pm.

Cost:
Organised by: Birmingham Cathedral

For more information, contact:

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The Evangelical Movement in the Church of England. Past and Present.

26/08/2008

Date: 26 August 2008
Venue: Regent's Park College, Oxford

A three-day conference. Sessions include: The Evangelical Awakening - Whitefield and Wesley. The Evangelical Awakening - Consolidation in

Parochial Ministry. Evangelical Outreach - Wilberforce and the Clapham Sect. The Challenges of the Nineteenth Century - Tractarianism, the Holiness Movement, and Popular Evangelism. For more details contact: Dr D A Scales, General Secretary, Pretestant Reformation Society, P O Box 47, Ramsgate, Kent CT11 9XB

Cost: £110.00. Full-time students: £55.00

Organised by: Reformation Society

For more information, contact:

Name:

Telephone:

E-mail:

Holy Communion Service

27/08/2008

Date: 27 August 2008

Venue: Birmingham Cathedral

Start: 1.10 pm.

Cost:

Organised by: Birmingham Cathedral

For more information, contact:

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E-mail: carol.currier@birminghamcathedral.com

Ecumenical Council for Corporate Responsibility

04/09/2008

Date: 04 September 2008

Venue: ECCR West Midlands Meeting, Carrs Lane, Birmingham City Centre

A meeting from 3.30pm to 5pm for people interested in setting up a West Midlands Ecumenical Council for Corporate Responsibility

Cost:

Organised by:

For more information, contact:

Name: Barbara Hayes

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Working Life in a City of faith - CHRISM summer conference

05/09/2008

Date: 05 September 2008

Venue: The John Foster Conference Suite of Leicester University, Oadby

Explore the working and cultural life of Leicester – a city where people of many faiths live and work together. The conference will include distinguished speakers from the different faith traditions and leaders in the community, and opportunities to explore the working life of Leicester on visits to places of interest. For more details, visit www.chrism.org

Cost: £ 190 (£ 210 non-members)

Organised by: CHRISM (CHRistians in Secular Ministry)

For more information, contact:

Name:

Telephone:

E-mail:

Reunited

13/09/2008

Date: 13 September 2008

Venue: St Martin in the Bull Ring Church Bull Ring Birmingham City Centre

A time for young people to come together to pray, worship, reflect and get to know each other. This month Reunited goes green

Cost:

Organised by: Helen Tomblin

For more information, contact:

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Faithful Youthwork in a City of Faiths

08/10/2008

Date: 08 October 2008

Venue: Youth Encounter Centre. 172 Woodlands Road Moseley. B13 9NY

Time: 10:30 – 3:30. Two days training for Christian youth workers to gain a basic understanding of different faith communities in Birmingham. Wednesday 8th October: 'Same City Different Faiths' This day will include some basic teaching on Islam, Sikhism and Hinduism. It will also involve visits to a Mosque, a Gurdwara and a Temple. Wednesday 19th November: 'Same City Different Cultures'. This day will include the chance to visit and explore a predominantly Asian area of the city and to reflect on what people have seen and experienced. There will also be a session on 'Mission and Ministry amongst people of Different Faiths'. The days will be led by Dr Andrew Smith, leader of Youth Encounter for Scripture Union. Please book.

Cost: Cost £10 per day or £15 in total if both days are booked in advance

Organised by: Helen Tomblin

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Vacancies

P/t Youth Worker - St Andrew's, Barnt Green

Salary: JNC scale depending on experience and qualifications.

Closing date for applications:08/08/2008

For further information

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Salary: £14,500 / annum
Closing date for applications: 13/08/2008

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Salary: Stipend for clergy, or URC package for lay people

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