CHURCHES TOGETHER IN SUDBURY & DISTRICT

Open Forum

Monday 6th December 2010 at Living Waters - 7.00 for 7.30pm (tea & coffee from 7pm)

All regular churchgoers in the District are welcome!

Agenda

1) Welcome

2) Living Waters update & Prayer (PA)

3) Minutes of the Open Forum of October 7th 2010 and Matters arising from the minutes:

4) Update –Marriage Focus

5) Main Item – The Work of Explore – Karen Nice
Karen Nice, schools worker with 'Explore', will speak about her work in Norfolk. 'Explore' is a charity that enables young people in schools, colleges and prisons to explore the experience of couples and, through this study, to appreciate the skills and emotional literacy that produce healthy and enduring relationships, family life and marriage.

6) Other Updates:
   a. Christmas Hamper Appeal (PS)
   b. I Spy Easter (LS)
   c. Dorcas Fund (JO)
   d. Methodist Art Exhibition – Summer 2011 – (Graeme Garden)
   e. Pentecost Praise & Party in the Park (PRH)

7) Treasurer's report

8) Other future CTiS&D events: See 2011 dates on page 2.

10) AOB:

11) Date of next Forum – Wednesday 2nd March 2011 (changed from Thurs 3rd March), hosted by Springlands Christian Fellowship at Woodhall CP School, Mayflower Way, Sudbury CO10 1ST

12) Closing Prayer

Apologies for absence (from Forum members) to the Secretary please.

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Dates for 2011

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

In Sudbury the dates are Sunday 16th to Sunday 23rd January and the details are:

Monday 17th January, Sudbury Baptist Church, 12.30 pm

Tuesday 18th January, St Gregory's, 12.30 pm

Wednesday 19th January, URC Long Melford, 12.30 pm

Thursday 20th January, St Johns Methodist, 7.30 pm

Friday 21st January, Roman Catholic Church, 12.30 pm

Saturday 22nd January, St Andrews GC, Prayer Breakfast, 8 – 9.30 am.

United Service Sunday 23rd January, 6.30 pm, at Acton Church. Parking & refreshments at the Village Hall.

(CTiS&D are not proceeding with the charity concert planned for 12 February 2011.)

Sunday 13 February, 2.30 pm - Education Sunday Service.

Monday 28 February to Sunday 13 March - Fairtrade Fortnight.

Wednesday 2nd March Open Forum – (changed from Thurs 3rd March), hosted by Springlands Christian Fellowship at Woodhall CP School, Mayflower Way, Sudbury CO10 1ST

Saturday 19 March – Sudbury on Show.

Saturday 19 March - *"Healing from the Inside Out"* with Jennifer Rees-Larcombe. Sudbury (St Peter's). Time tbc.

Lent course, based on the 400th anniversary of the KJV of the Bible:

Thursday 24th March at St Johns 7.30 – sessions 1 & 2

Wednesday 31st March (venue tbc) – session 3

Wednesday 6th April at the URC – session 4

Tuesday 12th April at St Peters – session 5

Sunday 15th May, United Service for Christian Aid Week, at St Andrew's, Great Cornard, 6.30 pm.

Sunday 15 May to Saturday 21 May - Christian Aid Week.

Wednesday 15th June Open Forum

Sunday 17th July Alive on Market Hill (if held)

Friday 17 to Sunday 19 June – "Prayer 48", St Gregory's Church, 48 hours of non-stop prayer for Sudbury.

18 July to 25 August – The Methodist Church Collection of Modern Christian Art, at St Peter's.

Saturday 6 August to Sunday 14 August – Open Churches Week.

Saturday 10 September – Historic Churches Cycle Ride & Heritage Open Day.

Sunday 25 September – Back to Church Sunday.

Wednesday 5th October AGM & Open Forum 7 for 7.30pm at Suffolk Road Church

Sunday 16th October United Service

Christmas Lights Switch On: tba (usually a Friday, early evening, in late November or early December)

Light up a Life Service for Hospice: tba, (usually a Sunday evening in late November or early December in St Peter's)

Thursday 8th December Open Forum 7 for 7.30pm at Cornard Christian Fellowship

Christmas Day - A Time to Remember & Be Thankful, St Peter's (afternoon) – If held in 2011.