



HEREFORDSHIRE NEWS

*Churches Together in Herefordshire exists as a voice for Christians working together in the county. Please come and have your say at our Open Meeting and meet the General Secretary of Churches Together in England.*

*Deadline for copy for the next newsletter – 25<sup>th</sup> November.*

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**Churches Together in Herefordshire – Open Meeting**

Churches Together in Herefordshire is excited to



welcome Rev Paul Goodliff to Hereford. He is the recently appointed General Secretary of Churches Together in England, and will be speaking on 'Ecumenism Today'. Anyone is welcome to join us on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 10am, at the Bishop's Palace, Hereford. The meeting starts with a short time of worship, led by the Dean of Hereford Cathedral. If you want

more information, please contact [herefordshireceo@gmail.com](mailto:herefordshireceo@gmail.com)

**Churches Together in Hereford - AGM**



Churches Together in Hereford city will be holding their AGM on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November in St John's Methodist Hall, starting with refreshments at 7.15pm. This is an important meeting at which future plans for the year will be made, including an outreach event before Christmas; the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity and the Good Friday Walk of Witness amongst others. All are welcome to attend and get involved.

**Christians Together in Orleton – Quiet Day**



Fifteen members of Christians Together in Orleton took part in a Quiet Day at Hennor House, Leominster last month. They

enjoyed the shared experience of songs of praise, reflection, prayer and quiet meditation. For more information about Hennor:

<https://www.hereford.anglican.org/quietplaces>

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**Christians Together in Orleton – Joint Services**

The joint service in Orleton this month will be held on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 11am at the Chapel, led by Methodists. There will be a Joint Advent Service at St George's Church at 11am on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December.

**Churches Together in Ewyas Harold – Advent**

Churches in Ewyas Harold will be holding an All-age Advent Encounter at 5pm on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December at St Michael's Church. Details from any of the churches in Ewyas Harold.

**Churches Together in Ross – Light up a Life Service**



Churches Together in Ross are holding this service in conjunction with St Michael's Hospice on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December

at St Frances of Rome RC Church, Ross HR9 5AL at 6.30pm.

## Herefordshire Interfaith Forum – Interfaith Spiritual Day



As part of Interfaith Week, this group are holding a Spiritual Day at Green Lane Methodist Church, Leominster 10am to 4.30pm on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November. This will be a combination of workshops, spiritual song and dance. They aim to share as a spiritual community, seeking to find wholeness and healing, including practical ways in which to help each other in challenging times.

All are welcome – cost £15 (concessions £8). Bookings / enquiries to Karim Hadden - 01981 500764 [mikejhadden@gmail.com](mailto:mikejhadden@gmail.com)

## Hereford Churches - Houses of Prayer



Churches in Hereford are halfway through 7 weeks of prayer for county transformation. Each week is themed – this month includes prayer for Business, Education, Government, Media and the Arts. In addition, there will be prayer events in churches across the county and a finale whole-church gathering on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 6.30pm at Freedom Church (in the old cinema, Commercial Road, Hereford). To

find details of prayer meetings and other prayer events please see the website: [www.hhop.org.uk](http://www.hhop.org.uk)

## Bodenham Christian Fellowship – Men's Breakfasts



Bodenham Chapel are inviting speakers from different denominations to their Men's Breakfasts. Last month, Rev Phillip Brown, vicar of Burghill spoke to the group. This month, Kristian Dimond (Pastor at Wellington Chapel, Herefordshire) will be sharing his faith 'From Footballer to Faith' on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 9am at Bodenham Chapel HR1 3HR. For more info contact Len Day 01432 880657 or Dave Hill 01568 797531

## Herefordshire City of Sanctuary – Open Meeting



This organisation, set up to create a culture of welcome and belonging in Herefordshire for refugees, is holding an Open Meeting with their Board on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm at the Friend's Meeting House, Hereford HR4 9BX.

They run weekly Drop-In sessions on Friday mornings for help with learning English, local information and craft activities. Some volunteers are matched with refugees who have a specific need.

They are using the opportunity of the Open Meeting to brief attendees about the current

work of the charity and plans for the new year. There will be an opportunity for questions.

<https://herefordshire.cityofsanctuary.org/>

## Care for the Family – Kitchen Table Project



This Christian organisation that aims to strengthen family life and provides support for marriage, parents, and bereavement through courses, resources and publications have launched the Kitchen Table Project. With the research saying that just 50% of children growing up in Christian homes, will keep their faith as adults, the Project aims to equip churches and parents in really straightforward ways. If you would like to find out more, check the website or follow them on social media.

<https://kitchentable.org.uk>

## Churches Together in England – CT Groups insurance



CTE have recently reminded us that Churches Together or any other ecumenical events are not covered by the insurance of the host church. They offer a summary page of advice and links to more detailed advice on the CTE website [here](#).