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The Bible Society is an international charity and we are particularly partnering with them locally with their Open the Book programme - bringing the bible to life by telling bible stories using costume and drama in schools.

The Bible Society want people to be able to hear and read the Bible, and find out more about God, more about ourselves and more about the world. That's why they want to share it. Through translating the Bible, transporting the bible, and providing bibles worldwide, the Bible Society invites people to discover the Bible's message for themselves, even if they've never thought the Bible was for them. They want them to read it, be excited by it and find their lives changed by it. The Bible Society has missionaries world-wide and support literacy programmes and work with churches, communities and schools to help people access God's word in their lives.

Locally please pray for our teams as they take Open the Book into Southover and South Malling Schools, that children and staff may come to know more of your love, through the presentations. We would love to get Open the Book into other local schools - please pray for this opportunity to open up, and therefore pray for more Open the Book story-tellers!

There are great resources you can sign up for from the Bible Society and receive specific prayer points about their work world-wide. You can also buy books, videos, courses from the Bible Society. At this current time, the leaders of the Holy Land's three Bible Society teams are asking for your prayers.... they say that the situation in Israel and Gaza is heartbreaking. Please pray that they're able to maintain their amazing Christian witness in a time of war, keeping their eyes fixed on Jesus. The Bible Society offices in Israel and Gaza have been damaged during an air strike.

biblesociety.org.uk



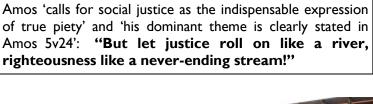


justice and hope for the forgotten

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Amos Trust seeks to address injustice in 3 areas:

I. Palestinian Justice In contrast to the evil acts perpetrated recently by Hamas, their Palestinian partners run community programmes to promote creative, non-violent resistance to the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza - and help to relieve the stress and despair that the occupation causes within these communities. They seek to share the stories of those affected, stand with them in their suffering and support the work they do. (Alaa from Gaza Sunbirds)



As the NIV Study Bible commentary puts it the prophet



2. Street Justice Life for children and young women on the streets is particularly hard and the



support they need is often challenging to provide. Amos Trust aim to help teenage girls and young women on the streets to realise their rights. They have partners working in South Africa, Burundi, Tanzania and India.

(Monisha from Chennai, India (partner Karunalaya))

3. Climate Justice Climate change is a justice issue. Those who have the least political and

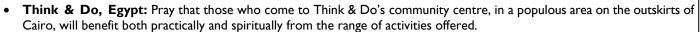
economic power, and the least responsibility for the changing climate (one of the causes of extreme poverty) are affected the most. We have a moral and ethical imperative to respond to their call for immediate action.

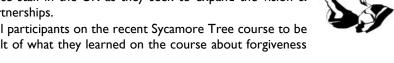


(Rosa from La concepcion, Nicaragua (partner CEPAD))

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR MISSION PARTNERS

- Beachy Head Chaplaincy Team: Pray for safety & protection over our 4 new Volunteer Chaplains as they complete their training and start regular front-line shifts at Beachy Head later this month.
- Life in Abundance: Pray for LIA's support office staff in the UK as they seek to expand the vision & mission of LIA through new church & individual partnerships.
- Prison Fellowship in Lewes: Please pray for all participants on the recent Sycamore Tree course to be motivated to make changes in their lives, as a result of what they learned on the course about forgiveness and restoration.





ECO FRIENDLY CHRISTMAS

1. Reduce 2. Reuse 3. Recycle. Let's put this into practice as much as possible this Christmas. Try also, Re think (Do we need it?) Refuse (We choose not to buy it) Rehome (What can we do with it when we no longer need it?) Repair (by ourselves or ask someone else?)

Charity gifts can be a great way to share the love more widely. For example: https://charity-gifts.christianaid.org.uk/ Balance the excess of Christmas celebrations by offsetting: https://www.climatestewards.org/offset/

You can even offset as a gift if you know someone who would appreciate this sort of giving.

For more ideas, check out A Rocha UK's twelve tips for a greener Christmas: Arocha.org.uk/our-twelve-tips-for-a-greener-Christmas



Consider buying an organic, or at least free-range turkey this Christmas, because God has entrusted all creation into our care so that we might reflect his love and compassion. Cost should not be our only concern; a cheap bird probably means intensively farmed which involves intense suffering. Or why not try a meat free Christmas, which would reduce suffering and be better for the environment.

HOW ABOUT THE 90%?

Many Christians and people of faith give away 10% of their income as a tithe. But how about the other 90%?

How we spend, save and invest our money can have a big impact for better or worse. Many of us want to see change in the world but don't know where to begin. Praying about and auditing how we use money is a good place to start.

Carefully considering where to invest our savings, pensions and bank accounts, checking out the ethical credentials of the companies where we spend money and seeking ways to build God's kingdom through what we buy (and maybe choose not to buy) can bring about real change for the better.

Do you live out your faith through your finances? Check out this 3 minute quiz here: https://justmoney.org.uk/moneymakes-change-hub/

Churchyard Working Party, **TRINITY Southover** Saturday 11th November

Do come along from 9:30am onwards, to help clear and tidy the churchyard at TRINITY Southover

for the autumn. All welcome and drinks will be provided.



RECYCLING OF EMPTY MEDICINE BLISTER PACKS

Aldi has joined Terracycle for recycling of all your tablet blister packs!

Go online to: www.terracycle.com/en-GB/brigades/aldi-uk and register, to get free shipping labels for up to 60 blister packs per month.

Cosmetics, plastic toys, plastic bags etc can be recycled at Tesco's.

SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL FOOD BANKS

TRINITY supports our local food banks and there is now a greater need than ever before, with more families in food poverty. There is an need for: *baked beans *tinned fruit *tinned meat and also empty egg cartons (preferably for 6 eggs, not 12). Thank you!

Ukrainian Fundraising Evening



Ukrainians in Lewes are running an evening of Ukrainian food, culture & fun at the All Saints Centre, 11th Nov from 6-9pm. Proceeds to purchase equipment for a Children's Hospital in Kharki. Contact Belinda <belinda.kirbyte@gmail.com> Kirby for ticket information.

GIVING TO TRINITY

You can give to support the ministry of TRINITY in a variety of ways. If you are a regular member or consider TRINITY your church, the best way to give is through the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) TRINITY's parish code 100610471.

You can make direct internet payments to our bank account. Name: TRINITY

Southover Church Council. Sortcode: 20 49 76. Account Number: 20775894. You can also give using our contactless systems at our sites.

If you are able to gift-aid your donation please email Bill our treasurer, and he will give you the

relevant form:

finance@trinitylewes.org).

Our website has more details: https://trinitylewes.org/about/giving/

TRINITY Southover is normally open for prayer

Monday & Wednesday 12:00 noon - 3:30pm Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 9:30am - 3:30pm Southover High Street, BN7 IJH

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