



Mission & Action Group

Meeting held on Wednesday 1st August 2007

Present:

1. Convoy to Moldova

very good response so far – we will keep collecting until mid August

2. Persecution of Christians in Pakistan

still waiting for the general letter to be composed and signed.

3. Discrimination issues

Decided to look into Inclusive Church more fully and invite speakers to introduce us to the areas of discrimination and exclusion tackled by the organisation. Stephen to get a number of leaflets to circulate again and we can ask the PCC to look further into it. Perhaps invite speakers (Ros Hunt?) to highlight areas of concern etc.

4. Future direction of this group

The idea of following a theme for the year to focus, not only this group and the parish mission giving, but also parish life in general. Two themes suggested were education and children but others may be put forward by the PCC. The Anglican mission partner, USPG, who we have traditionally supported as a parish, have sent details of their projects – mission and action concerns which we can pledge money to over a number of years (4 or 5) and then get regular updates on progress and news from that project. This may tie in well with our theme idea. We will ask the PCC for their support of this and then think about our mission theme for 2008.

5. Christian Aid

...are holding a tea time on 21st September, encouraging a world wide tea party for their fundraising. We could perhaps hold a tea afternoon on the Tuesday in conjunction with Evergreens, or on a Wednesday morning again after Mass, or a special event to which we invited the Makki Mosque as part of our friendship with them. Denzil agreed to find out more information in time for the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 5th September 2007