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### **FOOD, FELLOWSHIP & FUTURE**

**WEDNESDAY 12 JUNE, 6.30pm**

**St Mary's Church Hall, Killigrew Street  
(nb revised venue and time)**

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

**Please bring some food to share**

*Jan Winslade writes:*

At the final prayer and planning meeting held at the Salvation Army on Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> May, our monthly prayers for guidance were answered.

We have a new plan for FPCT to bring us up into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. We propose:

- 1) To **emphasize the role of individual Christians** in working together effectively by adopting a revised strapline "Christians working together to share the love of God" alongside the existing Falmouth and Penryn Churches Together logo, which is widely respected (and used on the new polo shirts bought last year for the Tall Ships outreach!).
- 2) To re-imagine FPCT as **a network rather than an organization**, helping to co-ordinate support for mission initiatives developed by the churches, including:
  - a. Penryn and Falmouth Foodbank and Dwell café (Highway)
  - b. Christians Against Poverty (CAP) (Budock and EBC)
  - c. Care Home Ministry (multiple churches)
  - d. Fairtrade Falmouth (St Mary's, University and others)

- e. Justice and Peace Action Group (multiple churches)
- f. School Chaplaincy (Light and Life)
- g. University Chaplaincy (multiple churches)
- h. Footsteps Community Café (Methodist and multiple churches)
- i. Healing Clinic (Stirring of the Water)
- j. Christmas events/Christmas card (multiple churches)
- k. Good Friday/Easter witness (multiple churches)
- l. Outreach to special events (e.g Tall Ships)
- m. Also encouraging efforts to re-introduce Street Pastors, Open the Book and other initiatives.
- n. Developing new opportunities to meet people where they are and raise awareness of how our churches are working together.

As this list (and our Annual Report, available on 12 June) shows, the range of ecumenical work in our area is already extensive, involving many churches and individuals, and FPCT will work to promote, encourage and support all such initiatives, managed by local churches and groups. We know that even so, need outstrips demand and leaders and volunteers are overstretched. Our 'prayer and planning' meetings over the past year as we have sought direction for FPCT have borne much fruit and we will continue to **gather regularly for prayer** for our area and all ministering to its needs.

3) To replace the existing structure of officers/Executive/Forum with a **Co-ordination Team** representing as many denominations as possible, which will share tasks as needed to avoid overburdening individuals. Nominations for this team are now open, details below. The Team will review the existing FPCT constitution and propose changes for ratification by the churches as desired. It will meet regularly and arrange open topic-based or social gatherings to allow everyone to share news and ideas.

**These proposals will be taken to our AGM 'Food, Fellowship and the Future' on Wednesday 12 June at 6.30pm at St Mary's Church Hall, Killigrew St (please note change of time and location). This will begin with a bring and share meal so please bring some food to share - many thanks! Some assistance to set up tables and chairs beforehand would also be welcome. (Please note there is a service in the church at 6pm so car parking space may be limited)**

**WHO WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE ON THE CO-ORDINATION TEAM?**

*Please make your nominations now at [bit.ly/FPCTnominations](http://bit.ly/FPCTnominations) or email [fpctcontact@gmail.com](mailto:fpctcontact@gmail.com) - please ask permission of your nominee first and include the name of a seconder. You are welcome to nominate yourself!*

**Read the full minutes of the last Prayer and Planning meeting, including Ali Durkin's vision for FPCT, at [bit.ly/FPCT240522](http://bit.ly/FPCT240522).**



# Pop-up Book Sale

The final tally for the **Christian Aid Book Sale, held 16-18 MAY 2024 at King Charles Church is £435.82**. Whilst that is down on last year's takings of £670, I think in these cash-strapped times it was not too bad.

Of the leftover books, 2 bags of Christian books were donated to the appeal for Christian books for Africa. Two large boxes of pre-school children's books were gratefully received by the Daisy May Nursery on the Tregonigge Industrial Estate. And all the other boxes of books (around 20 - a campervan-full!) were taken by Sue Ryder, British Red Cross and Cancer UK in Falmouth. So in the end, lots of charities have benefited!

Once again, my thanks to all the faithful volunteers who gave their time to help make the book sale a success. *Euan McPhee*

**Due to practical considerations including the state of the tide, the proposed FPCT MIDSUMMER PARTY/BARBECUE on Swanpool Beach on 20 Jun has been postponed until a later date – watch for further announcements!**

**FPCT JUSTICE & PEACE ACTION GROUP :**

**TUES 11 Jun, 2pm St Mary's Church Hall**

Everyone welcome. For more information contact Mary Bradley, 01326 312 768



Street Pastors or similar

## REVIVAL

If you have ever been involved or would like to know more about the revival of the Street Pastors in Falmouth.

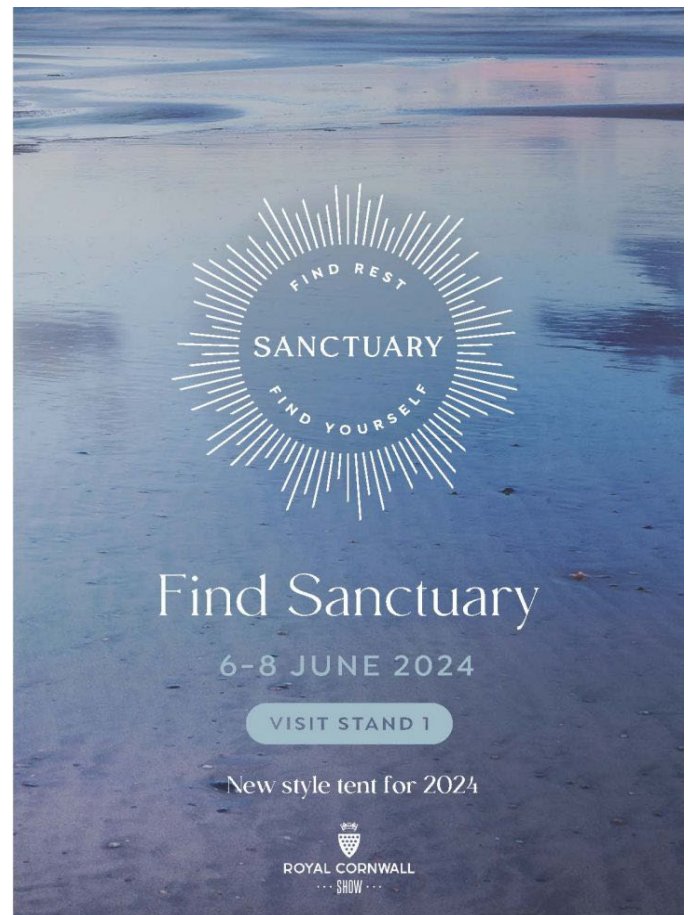
Please join us at 7pm on Monday the 3rd of June at Emanuel Baptist church on Western Terrace.

We would be looking for advocates and people to be on the committee not just those who want to be on the streets.

Debbie from Piran's Angels Newquay will be attending to offer her advice.

### ROYAL CORNWALL SHOW 6-8 Jun, Wadebridge

If attending the Show do drop in at the Churches Together tent 'Sanctuary' on Stand 1. Everyone is also welcome to the pre-show service on Wed 5 Jun at 6.30pm in the main ring, followed by a pasty reception – no tickets required.



**SOUTH WEST AWAKE Sat 29 Jun 10.30am**  
**Have you signed up to South West West Awake?**  
It's less than a month until thousands of Christians all over the South West will gather on the Coast Path to pray Thy Kingdom Come. Christians from across Devon, Cornwall, Dorset and Somerset will stand in unity seeking Jesus



for all those who live across the region. This could be the biggest ever prayer gathering that has taken place here! There's still many places on the map available, so please do spread the word with family, friends and church connections. Spots available at one mile intervals around Falmouth – sign up as individuals or church groups. Prayer materials available on the website.

**[SIGN UP AT WWW.SOUTHWESTAWAKE.COM](http://www.southwestawake.com)**

## LATEST FOODBANK NEEDS

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Dear Friends,

We hope this message finds you well. As always, we deeply appreciate your unwavering support for our community.

**Challenging Times:** Due to the economic situation, we have a lot more clients, many of whom are working and still finding it hard to make ends meet and at the same time we are not receiving as many food donations as we did in recent times.

**Our Response:** To address this urgent need, we have had to purchase essential items ourselves. While this is unprecedented for us, it is not a sustainable solution. We rely on the generosity of our community to keep our food bank operational, therefore we would ask that you can spread the word on our behalf, which we would really appreciate.

**How You Can Help:** Every small contribution makes a significant difference. If you can spare a little extra, it will go a long way in supporting those who rely on our services. Here is a list of the non-perishable food items in high demand:

- Fruit Juice (long life carton)
- Jam
- Tinned Potatoes
- Fruit Squash
- Self Raising Flour, Plain Flour
- Tea Bags / Instant Coffee
- Tinned Custard or Rice Pudding
- Tinned Tuna
- Tinned Fruit
- Breakfast Cereals
- Tinned Soup - Meat or Vegetable
- Toiletries

**Local Drop-Off Points:** If you'd like to donate in person, please visit any of the following drop-off locations:

- Penryn & Falmouth Foodbank (Mondays: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM or Thursdays: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM)
- Asda (In-Store Purchases Only)
- Tesco Metro (In-Store Purchases Only)
- Natural Store
- Co-op Boslowick
- Poundland

**Online Shopping:** For those who prefer online shopping or are able to contribute a little more, we can also accept food deliveries directly. If you place an order please do notify us, that way we can ensure we have volunteers on hand to accept the delivery at Penryn & Falmouth Foodbank:

- Mondays: 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
- Thursdays: 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

**Our address:** Highway Community Centre, Church Road, Penryn TR10 8DA

Please select a delivery during these hours only and let us know if an order is placed to ensure we are in to accept the delivery.

**Financial Donations:** Visit our website at Penryn and Falmouth Foodbank to make a secure online donation.

**Spread the Word:** Share our mission with friends and family. Every voice counts!

Your kindness and compassion make a real impact in the lives of our clients. Thank you for being part of our community's support network.

Warm regards,

Penryn & Falmouth Foodbank - Administrator

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