

Walton-on-Thames **St Mary's and St John's**

Outward Giving

Sharing the love of Jesus with all people

Matthew 28:16-20



God's heartbeat. Reflecting God's love for the lost. Generous.
A blessing. A joy. A pleasure. A challenge. An honour. Our duty.

These are just some of the different responses people may express to the Parish giving 10% of its general income to Christian charities to help them with their mission and ministry. This we have done for many years.

It is a wonderful privilege to be able to actively contribute to what God is doing in the world and to share in the joy of what the organisations we support are achieving in Christ's name.

Tithing, giving 10% of the donations we receive, also reflects the challenge for us all to give generously to God. Giving 10% of all that we earn is a Biblical guideline for followers of Jesus to live out.

This booklet shows the organisations that the parish supports through its outward giving.



www.homeleone.org

Home Leone is a unique, holistic slum solution, currently assisting the poorest of the poor in Sierra Leone.

This landmark, entrepreneurial initiative, enables opportunities for relocation to new communities.

It aims to relocate thousands of people who currently live in slums to a purpose built village, which not only offers decent housing and schools for the Children but also job opportunities for the adults. In this way, the families themselves can be an answer to their own, often devastating, poverty and can earn some self-respect and self-reliance.

This is a remarkable high value-for-money charity. It's delivering a 6-fold strategy providing for businesses, low cost housing, education, healthcare, power and water/sanitation, enabling a new movement of rescued and transformed lives.

In 2019, we hope a small team from Walton-on-Thames will visit Sierra Leone to see at first-hand what is happening and report back. Please speak to one of the Clergy if you are interested.

“We want to see nations free of slum living. As a non-profit enterprise, creating a significant holistic and sustainable movement, our pilot, Destiny Village, enables thousands to exit Sierra Leone’s slums. This community-led relocation plan, enables over 2,000 people to move. Our programmes include skills development, vocational training and social justice initiatives maximising the effective use of vital infrastructure.”

Compassion UK - Releasing children from poverty in Jesus' name

Compassion UK's main emphasis is on the Child Sponsorship Programme, where people can sponsor a child for £25 a month. Compassion links children living in absolute poverty with a sponsor.

This gives a child the chance to attend school and a church-based Compassion project, where they are provided with nutritious food, health check-ups, Biblical teaching and additional life-skills. They are given a safe-haven where they are known, loved and protected.

Compassion also runs Child Survival Programmes that provide antenatal care for vulnerable mothers, ensuring children are vaccinated against diseases and giving mothers the skills they need to earn a living.

Compassion emphasises that they are:

Christ centred: responding to God's call to care for the poor

Child focused: making sure children are known, loved & protected

Church based: working in partnership with local Churches because they understand their communities the best



www.uk.reachacross.net

ReachAcross -

We actively support someone who works in the Horn of Africa to share the love and way of Jesus. Through various means, they seek to share their faith in Jesus with Muslims, support and encourage new followers of Jesus and serve them in practical ways.

For security reasons, we are not able to share openly about this work. However, your prayers are of vital importance, including for safety, good health, language skills and fruitfulness.

Samaritan's Purse UK is an international relief and development organisation that works through local churches to proclaim and demonstrate the love of God amongst communities in need across the world (especially Sub-Saharan Africa, Eastern Europe & Central Asia).

Operation Christmas Child (OCC)

Its mission is to show God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world and, together with the local church worldwide, to share the good news of Jesus Christ.



In 2016, 11,485,662 shoebox gifts were collected! Since 1990, 146 million children in 150 countries have experienced God's love through shoebox gifts.

Disaster Relief

The Parish often supports relief appeals for disasters that occur across the world by giving the money through Tearfund. In 2017, £1,000 was given to the Africa Famine Appeal via Tearfund.



www.tearfund.org

Tearfund - A Christian charity called to follow Jesus wherever the need is greatest

Tearfund cares about:

The Greatest Need:

- *Poor communities, Marginalised groups, Vulnerable adults and Children*

Lasting Local Change:

- *Through the local Church, gender and relationships & education*

Global Issues:

- *Addressing matters of conflict, disasters and climate change*

Life's Essentials

- *Providing food for the hungry, clean water and toilets*

Responding To Disasters:

- *Over 13 million people benefitted from our response*

Developing Communities:

- *Over 32 million people reached through community development work*

Envisioning Churches:

- *Over 154,000 local churches envisioned*

Policies Changed:

- *Over 300 local, national & international policies influenced and changed*



www.waltonhershams.foodbank.org.uk

Walton & Hersham foodbank - working to tackle food poverty and hunger in the local community

Walton & Hersham Foodbank: 1,199 three-day emergency food supplies given to people in crisis in 2016.

The Foodbank Network was founded in 2004. Since then, The Trussell Trust has helped churches and communities work together to launch foodbanks nationwide in a wide range of towns and cities.

In 2016/17, the Trussell Trust's Foodbank Network provided 1,182,954 three-day emergency food supplies and support to UK people in crisis. Of these, over 430,000 went to children.

As a network, Foodbank wants to see more people helped out of crisis and fewer people needing foodbanks in the future. They are working with others and looking at new ways to help people out of crisis through programmes like More Than Food.

CPAS - Making Mission Possible

www.cpas.org.uk

CPAS enables churches to help every person hear and discover the good news of Jesus.

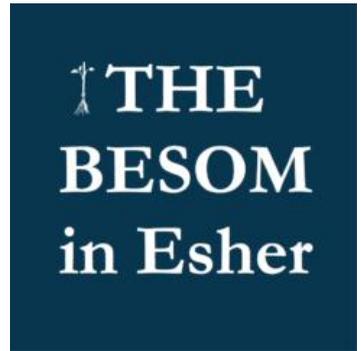
It is an Anglican evangelical mission agency working with churches, mainly in the UK and Republic of Ireland.



Besom – Sweep away suffering

www.besominesher.com

Besom was started to address the ever widening gap that exists between those of us who have and can give and those who are in need.



The aim is to provide a bridge between those who want to give money, time, skills or things, and those who are in need and ensuring that what is given is used effectively. Besom work closely with social workers and healthcare professionals.

Rooms are decorated, DIY is done, people are given white goods, beds and furniture as they start out from a base of significant need and few, if any, resources.

Bellringers – The Surrey Association and the Guildford Diocesan Guild of Church Bellringers

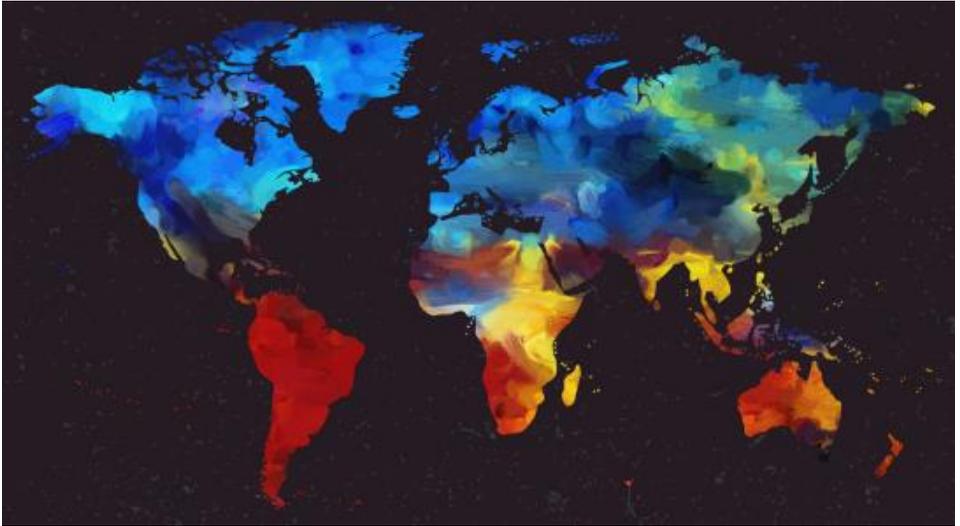
The Guildford Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers was founded in 1927 and is dedicated

to supporting and encouraging traditional bell ringing in the churches of the Guildford Diocese. They have 64 ringing towers divided amongst four Districts and currently have over 600 members.



The Surrey Association of Church Bellringers, seeks to provide:

- Training; facilitating & supporting the training of ringers of all abilities.
- Belfry Repair; providing grants to maintain church bells and their fittings.
- Fellowship; being a friendly association of members providing mutual support.



**Go into all the world and preach the Gospel
to all creation.**

Mark 16:15

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