



JUSTICE & PEACE NEWS

from the Justice & Peace Mission Action Group July 15

One Sheffield Many Cultures

Event at Barkers Pool. SP reported that the event had been a success with 12-13 schools involved and a variety of speakers, and crowds of 40 to 60 fluctuating throughout the day.

Church Action on Poverty AGM

Positive event with a good speaker. RC announced the date for the annual CAP pilgrimage would be 10th October in the *Jordanthorpe /Batemoor /Lowedges* area.

Mission group

This group, whose events are open to anyone and publicised in the circuit newsletter, recently had a speaker from **Aquabox** (<http://www.aquabox.org/>), a charity supplying boxes for clean water and other vital supplies to refugees in emergency situations. CW said that the group are planning a visit to the charity warehouse to see the operation first-hand. Coach hire has been explored and dates of 19th or 26th September 2015 put forward.

Also considered the possibility of a **market place** event to showcase good mission/charities. It was suggested that this could perhaps link with a **circuit service and a suggested date was April 10th 2016**.

Forthcoming Events

All We Can

September 17th – Gleadless MC

7pm for 7.30pm start with tea, coffee, food?
7.30 – 8.15pm Presentation by **Tim Baker** (All We Can). to provide an overview of the charity and its role as a Methodist response to Social Justice. Focus on specific projects and campaign work including **Jubilee Debts and the ethics of being a consumer** and will act as discussion points for a workshop

Climate Change

October 17th – Beacon Broomhill

Event to start with worship and a quiz/questionnaire to look at what people already know and do.

A speaker from Public Health (Magda Boo) will talk about **air pollution and how climate change can affect people locally**.

The event will also include film clips, discussion groups, a seed swap and stalls and will finish with a lunch prepared from locally grown allotment produce.

Divestment and Sanctions

November 14th 2015 – Millhouses MC

9-9.30am for refreshments reading

Speakers: Background to the situation by **Sue Beardon**, a former ecumenical accompanier who has recently visited on a tree planting mission. The diverse Jewish perspective (**John Speyer**, former President of Reform Synagogue) **Concepts of BDS** Conference have asked us to consider this. Look at pros and cons.

The talks will be followed by one hour for discussion followed by prayerful reflection and finish with a light lunch of Palestinian snacks. Stall selling Palestinian goods.

Praying the buses

So far the 83 route and the 52 route have been undertaken covered the following day . The 87 route is to be covered in September.

Katrin H was asking for ideas and information relating to J & P issues – which churches had food banks etc. so that people could donate food . Suggestions included making it wider than Methodist churches and identifying churches from other traditions

**Our next meeting is at 7.30pm
21st September 2015, Banner Cross MC**