

ACROSS

Sharing Faith Across Cultures



 <p><i>JOIN millions of Christians Worldwide to Pray for the Muslim World this Ramadan</i></p>	<p>Ramadan, the holy month of fasting in the Muslim calendar starts 15th May til 14th June with the celebration of Eid. We want to pray for our Muslim neighbours to know Jesus as their personal saviour. Each year a new illustrated prayer guide is published in a number of languages around the world. The booklet contains daily readings that focus on various people groups in the Islamic world; followed by prayer points. It also features informative background articles and resources for involvement. We have free copies of this wonderful prayer booklet to give away so do contact acrossworkingoffice@gmail.com for your copy.</p>
<p>#LoveFast</p> <p>#PRAYER & ACTION</p> 	<p>At the same time during the #30days of Ramadan, Mahabba is running a Prayer&Action campaign called #LoveFast. You can receive a daily email or follow on Facebook and focus your prayer on UK Register https://www.mahabbanetwork.com/lovefast</p>
	<p>Christian Agencies Supporting Community</p> <p>Local councillors were among the attendees for a lunch held by the Christian Agencies of Woking, providing a wonderful opportunity for the great work being done amongst the various Christian agencies: such as Besom, CAP, Street Angels and Food Bank. All 27 agencies were given a minute each to inform the audience of councillors and other guests of the work that is taking place. The event was celebrated with a fabulous cake depicting the variety of approaches and 'flavours'.</p>
 <p>Sufism in Islam</p> <p>Next Mahabba Meal – Richard Cook June 22nd @ St Andrews</p>	<p>Wandering4LoveofGod was the theme of the Mahabba Meal held at St Andrew's in March. John Wardill spoke about his recent trip to Pakistan & Phil Simpson, shared stories of his wanderings, over the years in Middle East and Asia. Even as this newsletter is being produced they are both off again, wandering for the love of God.</p> <p>Our next Mahabba Meal will be featuring Rev Richard Cook who will share stories of how the Lord has led him to the Sufi's of Pakistan as well as Sufi's nearer to home, living in UK. Do come along and share a curry supper with us as Richard shares his Sufi stories.</p>

	<p>Training opportunity Training is very much an important aspect of what Across was set up to do. Equipping ordinary, everyday Christians from our local churches to share faith with their Muslim neighbours is often overwhelming as we want to avoid causing offence in what we say and do. Phil will be running a three day course entitled 'Head, Heart and Hands; reaching Muslims with the Love of Christ' - Guildford Baptist Church Millmead on Friday May18, June15 & July06 from 1.30 to 3pm. Register with karen.casegreen@guildfordbaptist.org</p>
	<p>Last summer, we launched the Across Adult Craft Tent as a way of gathering together with the Muslim women of Woking, who bring their children and grandchildren along to the various summer community events that take place. Across will be present at Hope on June 23, Lark in the Square from 30May- 2Jun and South Woking Fun Day on 30 June. A time of conversation and laughter, shared over a simple craft. Ladies, if you would like to join in and volunteer please contact acrosswokingoffice@gmail.com and share Christ's love with our neighbours.</p>
<p>Second Pilgrimage of Understanding</p> 	<p>Woking People Of Faith's 2nd Pilgrimage - 28 April from 9.45am Starting from Christchurch Woking, via Al Asr (Shia Mosque, St Mary's Horsell and ending at Trinity Methodist Church for curry. A unique opportunity for 'pilgrims' to look around and learn more from each place of worship. The curry lunch is the final community building activity for hungry 'pilgrims'. It's sure to be a hit after the success of the earlier WPOF pilgrimage. Sign up through: secretary@wpof.org.uk</p>
	<p>Across Calendar – what's happening: Regular Monthly Prayer Meeting 1st Friday at 8pm held at the Hills in Woking 4thMay, 1stJune, 6thJuly. ALL WELCOME Mahabba Meal – 22ndJune @ St Andrews Richard on Sufis The Mahabba Regional Day is happening on Sat 12th May in Gloucester Cathedral. Contact Across if interested</p>

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‘Cross Cultural Ministry in Woking’ (Across) is a registered Charity (1106905) and exists ‘to see people of all backgrounds become disciples of Jesus Christ’ Across is formed by 10 churches working together and is based at St Andrews Church, Goldsworth Park, GU21 3LG.

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