

## CTNA Christmas day celebration.

The time has come again where we as Christians begin to look forward to celebrating the birth of our saviour Jesus. This is a time when we come together as families and share in the festivities, thanking God for his gifts and the care he has shown to ourselves and loved ones.

There are however people who are less fortunate and have no loved ones to share this joyful time with. This is the need that we address each Christmas day with the help of the churches of the town and the wider community who feel called to this social need.

This year the organisation of this event has been taken on solely by a handful of Christians on behalf of the whole of Gods wider church in the town of Newbury and we need your help in the run up to the event and on the day itself.

We are, on behalf of the CTNA, in the process of organizing another Christmas meal for the elderly in the town who would otherwise be alone on Christmas day.

This day consists of transport to St. Georges hall where coffees will be served followed by a christmas message and a carol service. Then an entertainment slot brings the local musical talent to regale us with various musical delights. The three course christmas lunch is then served followed by coffee and tea while hrh the queen delivers her christmas message. Then the guests are returned to their homes with a Christmas goody bags.

The blessing of taking part in this event is great when the feedback from the guests is seen. One lady last year described it as 'the best christmas I have ever had'.

You can help us in the following ways;

We need to raise enough money to fund the event which would be covered if each church could raise around £200. We would like you to sell raffle tickets at £2 each; there will be festive prizes for the winning tickets.

Volunteers to participate in the various roles required on the day:

- Kitchen team
- Companion team
- Hall set up (christmas eve)
- Transport team
- Entertainment team

Or assist in the organisations in the run up to the event.

If you feel you can help in any way please contact the CTNA secretary by email

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