

THE EASTENDER

THIS WEEK

Today is our annual Missions Contribution, and we will be contributing to spread the Gospel in India and the UK. The money collected will be divided 50:50, with half to support the Hyderabad church in India, and the remainder to help the smaller churches in the UK, at the discretion of the East Leadership Group.

On Friday we welcome Malcolm Cox to Lammas School for a presentation and workshop on re-forming the London Church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BABY SHOWER

A Baby Shower to honour Miriam Neville on the birth of Rachael will take place on Sun 29th November, 2:30pm @ 22 Frating Crescent, Woodford IG8 0DW (Lams). RSVP Gytha Chinweze 07958 113121

TEACHING MINISTRY

Since the Gifts programme in the 2nd quarter we've been talking about kicking off a teaching ministry. Tuka and Simon are eager to start meeting up with those who are interested and gathering ideas. The first meeting is next week, Sunday 6 Dec, 1pm - 1:45pm, to gather initial ideas about the ministry and ask questions.

PARENTS OF TEENS MEETING

The next Parents of Teens evening will be from 6-9pm on Saturday 12th of December 2009. Venue TBC. Please see Steve & Mishelle Sultanti for details.

HOGMANAY CHARITY CEILIDH

The Edinburgh Church is hosting a Hogmanay Charity Ceilidh to raise money for the HOPE Foundation School in Bhuj, India. (Supported by the Scottish Churches) This will take place on Hogmanay (New Years Eve) Thurs 31st Dec 2009 at the Stockbridge House in Edinburgh 8pm till late.

The Ceilidh will be an extravaganza of Scottish dancing with music and much more to celebrate the end of 2009 and the coming of the New Year. It will be a great chance to meet some old friends and to make new ones. Come to Edinburgh and you will know why this is the place to celebrate Hogmanay. Please begin to make plans now! Spaces are limited for this

event and adult tickets cost £15. Further details shortly.

QUESTIONNAIRE

For those who haven't yet completed the questionnaire on the topics of Christmas Meetings, and Fridays at Wanstead, please do so by the end of the service. Questionnaires are available from Paul Rowden.

LONDON UNITY

As part of the process in re-uniting the separate parts of the London church back into one church, Malcolm Cox will be leading our meeting on Friday 4th December to consult with us for our views on this issue. Malcolm will be making a presentation setting out the background and context, and then running a workshop session. The workshop will focus on the following questions:

1. *Where are we?*

i.e. what is great, good and broken in the East, and across London.

2. *What will it take?*

i.e. to make the good great, and the broken at least fixed, in the East, and across London.

3. *What should our priorities be?*

in 2010, and 2011 and beyond.

Please be praying and thinking about these questions now so that you can make the most of your opportunity to contribute to the future of our church. The ICCM website (www.icoc.org.uk) has regular video blog updates on the progress of the London consultation towards our 2010 vision, unity and direction.

Diary Dates

SUN 29 NOV

Worship Service
Barry Lamb)

FRI 4 DEC

Church Meeting'
London Vision'
Malcolm Cox

SUN 6 DEC

Christmas Service
incl. Children's
Presentation

FRI 11 DEC

Guard the Gospel

SUN 13 DEC

London-wide
Service
Friends House,
Euston
10:30am

FRI 18 DEC

East Christmas
Party

SUN 20TH DEC

Carol Service
(Mike Desouza)

SUN 27TH DEC

Meet in Family
Groups

FUNDRAISING MEALS

Abisola & Ayesha are organising a number of meals to raise money for the Village of HOPE and East Sector Benevolence. This is a great way to have food and fellowship and support the needy at the same time. Please see them for details or call Abisola on 07595156560.