



Churches Together in Cornwall

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2014 (with parts of) 2015 Annual Report

David H Smith
July 2015

Charity Number - 1053899

TRUSTEES REPORT 2014 – 2015
CTC Charity No 1053899
AGM – WEDNESDAY 8th JULY 2015
CHURCHES TOGETHER IN CORNWALL

MEETINGS UNDERTAKEN DURING THE YEAR

DEOs MEETING MONDAY 22 nd SEP 2014	EXECUTIVE	FRIDAY 10 TH OCTOBER 2014
DEOs MEETING MONDAY 12 th JAN 2015	EXECUTIVE	TUESDAY 20 TH JANUARY 2015
DEOs MEETING MONDAY 09 th MAR 2015	EXECUTIVE	TUESDAY 17 TH MARCH 2015
DEOs MEETING MONDAY 29 th JUNE 2015	EXECUTIVE	WEDNESDAY 8 TH JULY 2015

YEAR ON YEAR CHANGES

The website CTC Directory (contact us) was regularly updated throughout the year as changes were made to Group membership i.e. Executive members, Co-options, DEOs, LEPs, CT Group contacts - all are available on the CTC website. The Insurance premium increased over the twelve month period.

AS AT MARCH 2015

	TYPE	STARTED	REVIEWED	RECENT REVIEW	NEXT REVIEW	MINISTERS INVOLVED	TEAM
TREGADELLITT LEP (Cof E - Methodist - Village Hall)	1&3	1986	16-Jun-02	27-Sep-2011	2016	Malcolm Jones (M) David Michaels (CofE)	EF - MB - DHS
HELLAND (C of E - Methodist) NOW CLOSED	1	2004	4-Jan-04	11-May-2011	2016	Peter Smith (M) Sherry Byrant (CofE)	EF - MB - DHS
ROCHE (C of E - Methodist)	3	2003	20-Apr-03	27-Sep-2011	2016	Derek Balsdon (M) John Coombs (CofE)	EF - MB - DHS
WALL & GWINEAR (C of E - Methodist)	1&2	2007	6-May-07	22-Sep-2011	2016	David Bagwell (M) Martyn Trebath (CofE)	EF - MB - DHS
LOOE (URC - Methodist)	1&3	1989	2004-05	22-Jun-2012	2017	Ruth Goodland (M)	MB - CB
MEVAGISSEY (URC - Methodist)	1&3	1992	1-Feb-05	8-May-2012	2017	John Kendall (M)	MB - CB
GRAMPOUND ROAD (Cof E - Methodist) revived	1&3		8-Jan-13	14-Jul-2013	2018	Rev Andrew Wade (CofE) Jane Willcock (M)	MB - EF
DOBWALLS UNITED CHURCH (C of E - Methodist)	1&3		28-Jul-04		2015	Ruth Goodland (M) Anthony Ingleby (CofE)	
PORTSCATHO (URC - Methodist)	1&3	1988	10-Jan-11		2016	Rev Jill Edwards M/Colin Biggs URC	
PORTLEO (C of E - Methodist)	1&3	1992	20-Sep-07			Mark D-W (M) Doug Robbins (CofE)	
LEWANNICK		2013					
NEWQUAY & ST COLUMB MINOR CofE - Methodist		2014					MB - EF - DHS
FOUR LANES/PENCOYS							
UPTON CROSS/RILLA MILL	1&3	2015	24-May-15				MB - EF - DHS
WORK ON THE ROSELAND		2015					
REDRUTH	2	2015					
TORPOINT LEP (URC - Methodist)	1&3	1987	27-Jun-09	to Devon CT		Sabrina Groechel EO Devon	

TYPES of Local Ecumenical Partnerships

single congregation	1
congregations in Covenant	2
A shared Building Partnership	3
A Chaplaincy Partnership	4
A Mission Partnership	5
An Education Partnership	6

Baptist
Anglican
Greek Orthodox
Methodist
Quaker
Roman Catholic
Russian Orthodox
Salvation Army
URC
County Missioner

DEOs

Rev David Pountain	DP
Rev Elizabeth Foot	EF
Rev Fr Nikitas Lantsbery	NL
Rev Margaret Barnes	MB
Mrs Lesley Chandler	LC
Rev Andrew Shute	BC
Rev Deacon Peter Willis	PW
Captain Bernard Stevenson	BS
Rev Colin Biggs	CB
David H Smith	DHS

LEP REVIEWS

The DEOs have completed the LEP Reviews for the period up to end of 2014 as required. Thanks must go to Rev Margaret Barnes, Rev Colin Biggs and Rev Elizabeth Foot along with the Ecumenical Missioner David Smith for their time and effort in keeping this important schedule up to date.

LOCAL CHURCHES TOGETHER GROUPS

The CTC Executive continues to oversee and offer guidance to the thirty-eight CT Groups operating within the county of Cornwall. Within the last 12 months the Culdrose Chaplaincy Group and Christians Together in Redruth joined CTC. Four CTC's continue to have charity style shops attached to their mission work.

The Executive also continues to provide a link with what is going on locally, regionally, nationally and internationally, through its affiliation with CT in England. The County Ecumenical Missioner has taken an active role in this. However, the CTE Field Officer for the South, Jenny Bond, is now also the Field Officer for the whole country, after the retirement of Rev John Bradley. The work of the Executive is also guided by the DEO's (Denominational Ecumenical Officers) who have met quarterly during the year.

The Missioner was delighted that Tracy Docktree of Kingdom Vision and Rev Derek Collins of Epiphany Works agreed to join the CTC Executive during the year.

DECLARATION OF INTENT: one year on.

The Executive have been working during the year towards the setting up of five Working Groups which reported back through workshops held in St John's Church, St Austell, 16th November 2014.

The agreed workshops at that gathering were as follows:-

CTC Executive - David H Smith

Mission Events Together - Lead - Rev Roger Greene and David H Smith

Work Strategically Together - Lead - Bishop Tim Thornton

Ecumenical Ventures Together - Lead - Rev Steve Wild

Theological Issues Together - Lead Rev Jez Brown

Main recommendations from the workshops were as follows:-

ALL WE DO MUST BE IMMersed IN PRAYER

- Get communication right with all platforms and with contact/secretaries of CT Groups
- **Distribution emails and Newsletters from one central point**
- An East and West Day Conference where training, knowledge and inspiration can be shared
- **Suggested title change – from Churches Together to Christians Together**
- A need to grow a healthy inclusive relationship with the Pentecostal independent churches
- **To plan events that would encourage families**
- Change (denominational) structures; make it easier for groups to work “together” and expand
- **Identify and appoint lead Officers for certain specific CT related topics/jobs**
- Help expand our Christian mission work wherever the future needs arise
- **Look geographically where Churches Together Groups might be formed or merged**
- Respect the covenants in place which represent lasting agreements between various churches
- **Sharing of lay and ordained ministry across denominations**
- To promote and encourage joint events - Ideas exchange, prayer, sharing problems as well as successes
- **A strong need for CT Leadership to conduct quarterly large united services around Cornwall**

CTC EXECUTIVE - BUDGET

The Financial Accounts for the year were audited and will be presented at the AGM 2015. The Chairman, Bishop Tim Thornton was elected Chairman for three years beginning April 2014, the Deputy Chairman and Treasurer are re-elected annually with both positions presently being held by Reverend Steve Wild and Mike Cullen respectfully.

EDUCATION GROUP

The Education Group, represented through David Hampshire under the umbrella of the CTC, has met during the year and among other issues they have continued to support the future of Chaplaincies in Further Education Colleges and Institutions. The Barnabas 2014 displays and CTC banners were again sited in the Cathedral

THE ROYAL CORNWALL SHOW

The theme last year re-used the Olympic Circles depicting the churches expressing all that they had done within various Cornish Communities - adopting the slogan “We can do better than that!!” Church activities in pictures over the last 100 years were shown.

The Eve of Show service (Wed 5th June 6.30pm) was well attended, the preacher being Bishop Chris Goldsmith. Many of the attendees enjoyed a beer and a pasty whilst admiring the much improved new wooden flooring in the Church Tent. The Chaplaincy work had increased and Bishop Chris had suggested the need for the Chaplains to make themselves more visible. High Vis tabards were used to great affect. A vote of thanks was also offered to Rev Roger Greene and for all his teams efforts over the three day event and all the planning undertaken leading up to the Show.

DOR KEMMYN - CORNWALL INTERFAITH FORUM

CTC representative Laura Wild stood down as representative and John Keast OBE kindly agreed to represent CTC on this forum. The faiths involved in CFF are Bahai, Buddhist, Hindu, Pagan, Muslim, Jewish and Christian.

COMMUNICATIONS

It is essential to retain good communications with the contact person of each Churches Together Group, for it is through that person that information of events, activities and services can be shared. This is achieved through:-

CTC NEWSLETTERS

The use of e-mailing a bi-monthly newsletter introduced in November 2010 has proved to be a great success with CTC Groups sharing information on their events and activities. To date 30 issues have now been published which are all included under the "info" heading as part of the website. It reinforces the fact that there is a tremendous amount of Christian mission work going on continuously. All those involved in Ecumenical work within Cornwall are very much encouraged to send in material for inclusion in this e newsletter.

CTC WEBSITE

Website hits have been 2012 = 187000 2013 = 698,000 2014 = 923000

showing continued growth. The Directory of CTC Executive members and at CTC Group contacts, with all updated contact information has been placed on the CTC Website. Any changes notified are uploaded within hours - changes or corrections please to the CTC Missioner ses.dhs@hotmail.co.uk website www.churchestogetherincornwall.org.uk

GWENNAP PIT – Pentecost Ecumenical Service – Sunday 19th May 2014

Major Jean Harris, was the preacher in 2014 with Reverend Steve Wild preaching 2015. Much of the music was played by "The Salvation Army Band (Cornwall Corps)"

CHURCH LEADERS PILGRIMAGE TO LANDEVENNEC

Pilgrimage to Landevennec took place from Sunday 3rd May to Thursday 7th May 2015 by coach with 32 pilgrims. The highlights - the four interpretations of the Road to Emmaus - and the quiet silence of the monastery and the chanting of the Brothers.

CTC MISSION WEEK'S

Chairman Steve and Bishop Tim covered mission weekends in Helston, Saltash and The Isles of Scilly.

Visiting Speakers at CTC meetings:- members of the Chemin Neuf Community from Sclerder Abbey
CTC Executive members and the Chairman of 'One Cornwall' John Pollard at the Shire Hall, Bodmin
Dementia Awareness Action Day – Saturday 20th June - very successful day organized by an excellent team
Reverend Steve Wild - President of Methodist Conference "laying on of hands" from Methodist circuit Superintendents at Gwennap Pit

