

'May the Lord of peace
himself give you His peace'

December 2019



*Now may the Lord of peace himself give
you his peace at all times and in every situation.
The Lord be with you all.
2 Thessalonians 3:16 (NLT)*

It's the start of Advent and many are looking forward to Christmas. Let's thank God that because of Jesus we can know not only peace with God but also the peace of God in every circumstance of life.

Christmas may not be peaceful in your home; or maybe it is too peaceful as you remember with nostalgia the excitement of past Christmases.

Whatever our thoughts and feelings,
we can experience God's peace in our hearts.



Holiday in France 2020? We'd love you to join us for the best CEI holiday week yet! Le Pas Opton (affectionately known as LPO) is Spring Harvest's 4-star holiday park, just a few miles from the pretty port of Saint Gilles-Croix-de-Vie and the sandy west coast. 2020 will be the 15th year we've run a holiday at LPO specifically for adults with learning disabilities and their families. Last year we received this feedback: *"X has had a fantastic week, in a great part due to the involvement with Count Everyone In. As a family, it has been wonderful to see X having such a great time, which has therefore made the holiday more enjoyable for us all. It has been great to meet other families, and to get to know the CEI team. Your ministry this week has meant such a lot to us all."* Book before 11 December to save £100 on your booking. Take a look at <https://www.springharvestholidays.com/feature-weeks/everyone/>

Makaton Update

We are making progress towards further developing and extending the reach of the Christian language in Makaton's key word signing and, as you will see in the diary dates, we have a meeting with the Makaton Charity in December. Thank you to those tutors who have registered interest and we look forward to including you in these plans in the not too distant future. Confirmation of the need for training in our churches is evident from the number of enquiries received. Please pass this on to anyone else you know.





Need to develop your skills?

Know and Grow 1 is intended for individuals and churches interested in being more accessible and effective for people with learning disabilities which, in some cases, may include starting a small group. Know and Grow 2 is for those already involved in this ministry; it provides a refresher of basic principles and goes on to explore topics such as learning disability and ... mental health ... relationships ... healing ... death and bereavement. Do get in touch to talk about putting on a training day at your church.

CORRECTION – and apologies for possibly misleading you in last month’s newsletter. Profits from sales of greetings cards by Tua Phelps-Jones support the work of Count Everyone In (and not Pete and Christine, as we stated). Don’t forget to take a look at <https://www.flamingopaperie.co.uk/web/tuaphelps-jones>

GDPR We hold your contact details for the purpose of sending you this newsletter at your own request. We also hold details of people who serve on CEI teams or attend training days. If you have any questions about this, or you wish to be removed from mailing lists etc, please let us know.



If you are thinking of supporting us financially, there are options:

To donate Count Everyone In, please go to www.give.net/20280624 or pay directly into our Metro Bank account (Gift Aid form available on request):

- Count Everyone In - Sort code: 23 05 80 - Account no: 33248601

To support Pete and Christine personally, please go to www.give.net/20043120 or pay directly into our TSB account (Gift Aid not possible by this method):

- Mr P & Mrs C Winmill - Sort code: 77 70 64 - Account no: 01822668

Please keep praying:

- For a restful holiday
- For wisdom as we fill our diary

- For our support group and trustees to continue to guide and advise wisely
- For more 'workers' and for Janneke in particular
- For planning now for people with learning disabilities to be able to attend CEI programmes at events in 2020

December dates - correct at time of publication *:

Our belated 'summer' holiday continues into December

Mon 9th – Meet Monday Christmas Special

Weds 11th – Christmas lunch with Christine's brother

Fri 13th – Meeting with Makaton Charity

Sat 14th – St Nicolas Church open day

Mon 16th – Meet Monday planning meeting

Weds 18th – Mencap carol service, St Nics

*Please note that we try to take Mondays off, especially following weekends when we have been working.

Future dates 2020

Please note, if you would like us to visit your church in 2020, for preaching or training, please get in touch SOON. The calendar is filling up!

Sat 18 January Know & Grow 2, All Saints Church, Crowborough TN6 1ED

Sun 19 January 10:00am Ability Sunday service at Christ Church, Guildford GU1 2AZ

Sat 1 February Know & Grow 1 training, Crownhill Methodist Church, Plymouth PL6 5AG

Sat 1 February Through the Roof - Disability Inclusion In Our Churches, Ashted, KT21 2DA (CEI Exhibiting)

Sat 14 March Through the Roof - Disability Inclusion In Our Churches, Manchester, M20 2GP (CEI Exhibiting)

Sat 21 March Through the Roof - Disability Inclusion In Our Churches, Bristol BS32 0BD (CEI Exhibiting)

Sat 4-Thur 9 April Word Alive, Prestatyn – full CEI programme details on request

Mon 13-17 April Spring Harvest wk 2, Minehead (Pete as Disability Consultant, Janneke & Christine supporting young adults with learning disabilities. You will also find us in the exhibition hall - Come and say hi!

Mon 1-8 June Spring Harvest Holidays (France) - – full CEI programme, details on request

Sat 18-Fri 24 July Keswick Convention - full CEI programme, details on request

Sat 1-Fri 7 Aug Creation Fest, Wadebridge, Cornwall - full CEI programme, details on request

Thurs 27-Mon 31 Aug Connect Festival (formerly Westpoint) , Shepton Mallet, Somerset - full CEI programme, details on request

Thank you for your prayers and support. Please feel free to get in touch and do let us know if we can pray for you.

Social media - See www.counteveryonein.org.uk and you can also keep up with us on Facebook and Twitter. Please follow, like and share so that more people find out what is happening.

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Pete & Christine". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pete & Christine Winmill

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