

September 2024



Reflection

Dear Friends,

Lord, I will remember what you did. Yes, I will remember your miracles of long ago. Psalm 77:11(NIrV)



For many people, the end of December is a time for reflection and reassessment as they evaluate the year that is drawing to a close and look forward to the new year ahead. For me though, this time of reflection and reassessment often happens at the end of August instead. It probably links with my teaching job at the university, but the start of the academic year feels like a new beginning. And who can resist writing out plans for the next year on the pretty stationery that is on all the shelves in the shops!

As I reflect on the last year, I am amazed and utterly humbled by how God has worked through CEI – at Spring Harvest, LPO and the Keswick Convention; in conversations during Know and Grow workshops and training days; and in meetings with partner organisations. I'm also excited about new opportunities God has sent our way, and I cannot wait to see how these will flourish in the next year.

So, whilst Pete and Christine are enjoying a well-deserved holiday, I want to take this opportunity to thank all our newsletter readers and CEI supporters for your prayers and encouragement this last year. And as you will read below – our diaries for 2024/2025 are filling up nicely. Thank you in advance for your ongoing prayer and support as we step (and sometimes stumble!) into the next CEI season.

God Bless,

Janneke

Thank you

Count Everyone In – so that no one misses out on Jesus but without you, your prayers, interest, time and financial support it would be hard for us to do what God has called us to do. Thank you for whatever part you play in supporting Count Everyone In. No contribution is too small. **Thank you.**

Prayer

Our monthly **Friends with Count Everyone In** Zoom prayer meetings will return this month! Our next prayer meeting is on **Thursday 26th September** – meetings at 12.30pm and 6.30pm. Do let us know if you'd like to come to either of these meetings so we can send you the Zoom link.

* **Email pete@counteveryonein.org.uk** if your group and/or church is interested in becoming **Friends with Count Everyone In**. Pete will send you an information and application form telling you about the scheme. Perhaps you will be Friend no.40!

Prayer points for this month

1. Pete and Christine will be delivering Know and Grow Longing to Belong in Cornwall on Sat 7th September (White River Community Church, St Austell), and join Helston Baptist Church for their Ability Sunday on the 8th September
2. Continued thanks for Pete's response to the treatment for prostate cancer. We should know the results of the treatment mid-September



3. Thanks and prayer for rest for Pete,
Christine and Janneke

Know & Grow workshops

Though our diaries are filling up, we still have space to book in Know and Grow workshops for the autumn/winter 2024/2025. We can send you an outline of the training programme and an information sheet for host churches. These workshops are for everyone, welcomers, teamakers, worship leaders, singers, musicians and preachers as well as team members.



Email bookings@counteveryonein.org.uk

Know & Grow Longing to Belong – an introduction to learning disability, helpful tips to make churches more accessible for people with learning disabilities (and therefore everyone!), how to run a ministry group – and more!

Know & Grow Life Matters – facilitating conversations about big questions that affect adults with learning disabilities, just as they do everyone else: relationships, healing, mental health, loss and bereavement. We end the day with a fun-packed creative activity.

Know & Grow Makaton – a practical, fun day of learning signs and symbols for everyday communication as well as for Christian worship. This is the only workshop accredited by The Makaton Charity to teach signs and symbols for Christian vocabulary and has been developed through our partnership.

It's the most wonderful time of the year!

Why not buy your Christmas cards from CEI this year? Your purchase will benefit the charity and give joy to the recipients of this delightful card which is unique to Count Everyone In with its artwork by Maryanne Stanley who is one of our



trustees.

Packs of 10 cards including envelopes cost just £6, plus £3 postage and packing for up to 3 packs.

Email your order to info@counteveryonein.org.uk and make your payment ideally by BACS to our Metro Bank (business) account, using the reference 'cards':
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COMING SOON – Maryanne has not only created our Christmas card, but she is also putting the final touches to our very first Count Everyone In wall calendar for 2025! The calendar will be available for purchase later this month.

Resources

Top sellers at the Keswick Convention last month were our CEI branded t-shirts (£10.50), especially in the new colours of Sunshine Yellow and Fuchsia Pink. We also stock them, and polos (£16) and full-zip hoodies (£25) in our original colours of sapphire blue, burgundy red and charcoal grey. They come in unisex sizes Small through to 2XL (also 3XL for t-shirts).

To purchase any of our resources just drop an email to info@counteveryonein.org.uk. We add £3 for postage and packing and ask for payment by BACS transfer or cheque. If your order is outside of our normal weight/size we reserve the right to pass on actual delivery costs.

Apart from clothing we have undated Bible notes, based on the New International Readers Version – number of readings in brackets

What is the Gospel? (31) £4.50
Prayer (30) £4.50
Psalms (20) £4.50
Christmas is coming (25) £4.50
Easter (9) £2.50
Jesus returned to Heaven & what happened next (14) £2.50

Who is Jesus? (14) £2.50
The Holy Spirit (7) £2.50
Hope (5) £2.00

Other items are:

- A choice of two guides to Holy Communion priced at £2.00
- Two teaching plans, Joseph (7 sessions - £8) and Ruth (4 sessions - £4)
- ‘Prospects’ albums of easy to sing worship songs, available on CD or MP3: Jesus the Start of it All, No god is greater and Say the Word
- CEI branded mugs, notebooks, pens, badges and car stickers

We hold some New Testaments in the New International Readers Version (NirV Accessible Edition), with large, clear print, plenty of ‘white’ space (actually, light grey) and line drawings. Hardback costs £9.99 and softback is £7.99. These can also be ordered from Bible Society at <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/product-search/NirV%20accessible/>

Looking ahead – please note that Janneke, Pete & Christine meet on Thursdays

2024 – correct as at 20 August

Thu 22 - Mon 26 Aug - Commission Festival, Shepton Mallet

Sat 7 Sept Know & Grow Longing to Belong - St Austell, Cornwall

Sun 8 Sept - Morning Service, Helston Baptist Church

Sat 28 Sept - Beds, Cambs & Herts Regional Celebration, Cambridge

Tues 8 - Weds 9 Oct - Christian Resources Exhibition, Milton Keynes

Sat 19 Oct - K&G Makaton Taster with Through the Roof, Solent Evangelical Church, Gosport

Sat 26 Oct - Oswestry Deanery Mission Day

Sat 26 Oct - Know & Grow Makaton, Skipton Baptist Church BD23 1ET

Sun 17 Nov - Morning service, High Street Baptist Church, Tring HP23 4AB

Sat 23 Nov - Know & Grow Makaton, Thornhill Church, Cardiff CF14 9GA

Sun 1 Dec - Christmas Celebration, St Nic’s Newbury and livestreamed

2025

Sat 18 Jan - Know & Grow Longing to Belong, Stanley Rd Baptist Church, Morecambe

Sun 19 Jan - Morning service at Stanley Rd Baptist Church, Morecambe

Sat 1 Feb - Know and Grow Makaton, Fishponds Baptist Church Bristol, BS16 5AS

Sat 8 Feb - Know & Grow Longing to Belong' Letchworth Free Church URC (Church Hall)

SG6 1NX on behalf of Christchurch, Baldock

Mon 7 – Fri 11 Apr - Spring Harvest, Skegness

Mon 14 – Fri 18 Apr - Spring Harvest, Minehead

***Please note that the best times to contact the main office is Tuesday to Friday 9:30 – 5:30pm**



If you are thinking of supporting financially, thank you.

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- **Give as You Live** is one way to donate to CEI at no extra cost to you – see link for your online shopping at the foot of this letter.
- **CCLI** Don't forget to include 'Prospects' songs in your Church Copyright Licence (CCLI) reporting.

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.

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

Every blessing,

Pete, Christine & Janneke