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EVENTS

'Facing Up to Globalization' Visions

• Alternatives • Strategies

28 February-2 March 2005 Visiting Programme 2-6 March Consultation

The Work and Economy Research Network and the Ecumenical Academy – Prague invite you to participate in the upcoming pan-European consultation 'Facing up to Globalization' to be held in Prague next spring. The consultation is being organised in conjunction with the Church and Society Commission of the Conference of European Churches. It is hoped that you will be able to participate and that you would spread the information about the consultation widely in your networks.

Contact: European Contact Group, Tony Addy, or Jiri Silny (who will also give you information about the practical arrangements). [p\(ekumakad@volny.cz\)](mailto:p(ekumakad@volny.cz))

CARE European Supporters' Conference, Brussels, February 14-18 2005.

Do you want to visit Brussels, meet key Christian Politicians and learn first-hand how the European Parliament & European Commission work?

Contact: CARE

Walking the Waves: Heading for Excellence in School Leadership 3 -5 February, 2005.

An event supported by the Independent Schools Christian Alliance, Stapleford Centre, and CARE. Contact: Conferences@stapleford-centre.org or Tel: 0115 939 6270

Roger Dowley Day. 'Social justice: the biblical mandate' on Saturday, 16 April, at Brandon Baptist Church, London. This will be a day to reflect on the remarkable contribution of a little-known theologian and urban worker. Prof. Christopher Rowland, specialist in liberation theology, will assess Roger Dowley's 'Towards the Recovery of a Lost Bequest'. We will also look at an urban project and reflect on progress made from social action to social justice. The sponsored day will include a hot lunch.
Contact: Roger Dowley Day

RESOURCES

Christian Child Care Forum – Caring for Children and Young People. This non-denominational forum was formed to be a resource within the UK and seeks to identify gaps in existing provision and to encourage new developments where appropriate.
Contact: Christian Child Care Forum

Wired Up: A joint initiative from the Shaftesbury Society & Tear Fund Information, resources, contacts, funding, seminars and training events to inspire you and your group for community development.
Contact: Wired Up

Resources for Estate Ministry.

- **The Challenge of the Estates:** Strategies and Theology for Housing Estate Ministry by Laurie Green.
- **Mind Body and Estates:** Outer Estate Ministry and Working Class Culture by Joe Hasler
- **The DIY Kit for Estates Ministry and Outreach** by Benny Hazlehurst and Chris Chapman
- **Worship for Housing Estate Ministry:** Singing the Lord's Song in a Strange Land? For these resources and much more more!
Contact: National Estate Churches Network (NECN) or visit www.nationalestatechurches.org

RESOURCES FROM THE SHAFTESBURY SOCIETY

The Shaftesbury Society produces a range of resources about Church involvement in the community.

- **The Cephas Story** – God with skin on. Cephas is an advice, IT training, youth work and drop-in centre based on a Huddersfield estate. The project's experiences raise issues around church involvement in the community such as 'Where does project stop and church start?'
- **The Life Centre** – Salford so far. The Life Centre is a Salford youth centre and this book explores some of the challenges and rewards of working with non-churched young people in an urban context.
- **The Concentric Church.** Does the local church really work? How relevant are church activities to people's day-to-day lives? Have you ever wondered how far your church ministries overlap with other local churches? This booklet suggests an alternative model of church, based on people communicating and networking together across their locality. For these and much, much more
Contact: The Shaftesbury Society

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION.

A Better Place to Live – A guide for community groups to local action on sustainable development by Chris Church
This booklet is about ways to improve the place where you live, using a 'sustainable development' approach to environmental, social or economic projects which benefit local people and the environment locally and globally. But what does 'sustainable development' mean? This simple guide gets to the point by placing it in the context of integrated local action and better local services, showing people how they can improve their environment, economy and their whole quality of life. ISBN: 1 901974 47 2 £4.95

Changing Where We Live – A guide to working with communities to create green and sustainable communities by Chris Church & Charlie Garratt.

This guide draws on successful projects and examples of good practice developed over 20 years. The guide shows how to get a project started and getting people involved and working with diversity; monitoring and evaluation; marketing community work;