

ICKENHAM CHURCHES' COVENANT REVIEW

APRIL 2010



Bernie

As Minister of Ickenham URC and Rector of St Giles', we are very aware of the many benefits to us personally when the churches work together. But as we begin the Jubilee celebrations of our Covenant – *see page 1 article* - we are keen to know **your** opinions. What do you, the people of Ickenham (and any other readers of *ICN!*) think about this partnership



between our churches, and its value to the community of Ickenham? Please take a few minutes to answer the following questions, then return the questionnaire to us by 30th April. (Details on how to do this are given overleaf on page 6.)



Adrian

Thank you in advance for your help.

The Churches Together

Q1. Before reading this edition of *ICN*, did you know that there was a formal link - a Covenant – between the two churches in Ickenham?

Yes

No

Q2. The two churches jointly arrange a number of activities during the year for the people of Ickenham, some of which are listed below. Please tell us which of these...

- (a) you are **aware** of
- (b) you have **had any involvement** with
(whether helping, using, or attending)
- (c) you think are **beneficial to the community**

| <i>(tick all that apply)</i> | (a) Aware of | (b) Involve- ment | (c) Bene- ficial |
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| Ickenham Church News..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Holiday Club..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Services during Festival Week.. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Churches' tent on Festival Gala Day.... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Carol singing at | | | |
| Festive (Traders') Evening... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Good Friday Walk of Witness... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Midweek services during Lent... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Monthly Choral Evensong..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Bereavement support..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Men's breakfasts..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Women's groups..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| FairTrade Big Brew events..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Christmas Shoebox appeal..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Christian Aid Week collection.... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Christian Aid lunches..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| CLICK Rukiga..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 'Start!' Christian enquirers' course..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Q3. Are there any aspects of community life where you feel the churches could be more involved?
(e.g. on environmental issues, perhaps)

Yes

No

If Yes, please specify below

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Q4. Which **one** statement best summarises your view about the churches working together in Ickenham?

- It is very important for Ickenham.....
- It is good for Ickenham.....
- It is not good for Ickenham.....
- No opinion / not relevant to me.....

Q5. Our two churches are in Covenant because there is much common ground in what we believe. But how effectively do we share our Christian message with the community? Please choose **one** statement that best reflects how you feel.

- I am very clear about the churches' beliefs.....
- I have some idea about the churches' beliefs...
- I am not sure about the churches' beliefs.....
- I am not interested in the churches' beliefs.....

Q6. Do you have any other comments you would like to make about how the churches work together?

Yes

No

If Yes, please specify below

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Now please turn over ...

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A few questions on Ickenham Church News (ICN)

Q1. How **interesting / useful** do you find certain *ICN* features?

(tick once in each row)

| | Very | Quite | Not at all |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Reports on: | | | |
| ...Ickenham Festival..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...Holiday Club..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...Church Services..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...Ickenham people / places..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Dates / details for forthcoming: | | | |
| ...Church Services..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...Musical events..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...General events..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Adverts from local companies.. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Q2. Have you ever contacted a local company after seeing them advertised in *ICN*?

Yes

No

Q3. How regularly do you read *ICN*? Tick **one** box below.

Every issue Most issues Hardly ever

Q4. Any general comments - good or bad! – about *ICN*?

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About You

It helps us to understand your answers if we know a little more about you. Please help by answering the following questions.

Q1. Are you Male? Or Female?

Q2. How old are you?

16 or under..... 30 – 54 yrs.....
 17 – 29 yrs..... 55 or over.....

Q3. Where do you live?

In Ickenham.....
 Elsewhere in Hillingdon.....
 Outside Hillingdon.....

Q4. How often do you attend....

| | Regul- arly | Occasion- ally | Never |
|--|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| <i>(tick once in each row)</i> | | | |
| ...services at St Giles' | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...services at Ickenham URC.... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...services at any other Christian church.... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ...services for other faiths..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Returning your questionnaire

Please return your questionnaire - by 30th April - to any of the following locations:

- **Ickenham URC**
(place in marked box on table outside Hardwick Room)
 - **Winchester Pharmacy**, 79 Swakeleys Road, Ickenham
 - **St Giles' Church**
(post in black letter box, down left side of church building)
 - **SJ Williams (Butchers)**, 3 Swakeleys Road, Ickenham
- or post to *ICN* Editor, **Heather Piper, 20 Breakspear Road South, Ickenham, UB10 8HE**

As a thank you for taking part, questionnaires received by 30th April will, if you wish, be entered into a draw to win a box of FairTrade / Traidcraft goodies! For this we will need your name and a contact telephone number. Any information and opinions you have supplied will, of course, be treated confidentially and will only be used to gain a general understanding of the views of the community.



If you would like to be entered into our prize draw, please provide your name and telephone number below.

Name:

Telephone:

Thank you for taking part!