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Bridge News: March 2015

- **Bridge Prayer Breakfast:** Saturday 7th March – 8am at the Salvation Army citadel with thanks to Majors Antony and Fiona Mugford for hosting this month.
- **FoodStop:** one of our volunteers, Angie Wilson, is acting as representative for a new local group called Shower Me with Love. This group is collecting toiletries for ex-homeless people who go into hostels where they often lack the most basic of provisions. We are happy to help with this so if you would like to donate specifically to Shower Me you can hand in a labelled bag alongside your FS donations: towels, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, shower gel, shaving gel/foam and female sanitary items. Thank you.
- **Costa coffee worship:** Tuesday 17th March from 7pm – come along for some chat, music and talk in a relaxed setting. Bring a friend along!
- **Coffee Morning:** Saturday 21st March at the Methodist church, 9.30 – 11.30am – we need helpers and bakers as usual! Thank you. drivers: intel (unloaded: fbdev,vesa)
- **Messy Church:** our session on 1st Feb was a resounding success with 28 children coming along with their families – in some cases both mums and dads. Our next one will be on Sunday 22nd March at the Methodist church, 3.30-5.30pm, with crafts, stories, games and party tea. As it's the same weekend as the Bridge coffee morning it would be lovely if we could find someone else to do the simple refreshments this month [to avoid some of us having to do both!] – just a question of popping things onto plates if we do the shopping for you in advance. Let us know if you can help.
- **Churches Together Easter cards:** as our trial run was so successful last year we would like to try to produce a few more this year – but printing will be demand-led! Please let us know as soon as possible if you feel you would like to deliver some to your neighbours – then we will know how many to print. Designed along similar lines to the CTiG Christmas cards they will contain details of all our church services in Easter week, including the Good Friday Walk of Witness on 3rd April, starting at the Salvation Army citadel at 10am. We will be putting up posters about the Walk outside all our churches to publicise it in the run up to Easter. Please let us know too if you would like to hand some Easter cards out to passers-by during the Walk – some people are particularly gifted at this form of witness.
- **Ecumenical Lent Groups:** beginning on 26th February at 7pm at St. Paulinus these will take the same pattern as last year – frugal meal then opportunities for table discussion, led by a different house group each week. Weds 4th March (Methodist); Thurs 12th March (St.Paulinus); Weds 18th March (Meth); Thurs 26th March (St.P); Weds 1st April (Methodist). Do come along if you can – these were most enjoyable last year.
- **Beth:** Congratulations to our youth worker Beth Wells who has gained a place to study Midwifery at Greenwich. Sadly we are losing her rather sooner than expected as she is joining the March intake - she will leave a big hole to fill!! I am sure you will join us in saying a big "Thanks" and will keep Beth in your prayers as she starts off on an exciting new journey.

Wishing you every blessing, *Shona, Jenny, Beth and Jamie*