

**Fundraising for Northern Lights** at the Drop In Sales Table on Friday 6th and 13th December – we are collecting books and saleable items to raise money for Northern Lights. Also home baked goods, jams, etc. can be donated on the day. Many Thanks. Please see Trish.

Poster in hall for **Christian Aid Bag Pack** on Friday 20th December at Sainsbury's Neston. Helpers needed please see Margaret Heibel.

Poster in hall for **Circuit Service on Haiti** at Lower Bebington. Saturday 18th January at 6.00 p.m.

Church Action on Poverty have asked Christians to pray about **Food Poverty & Malnutrition in Britain** Archbishop of York, John Sentamu, has spoken out saying static salaries & rising food prices have left 9 million people living below the breadline while the chief executives of the UK's 100 biggest companies earn on average £4.3 million (160 times the average national wage) Last year in Leeds 27,000 people were diagnosed as suffering from malnutrition! Food prices are rising 3 times faster than wages & the minimum wage was raised by just 12p last month!

If you are concerned about this please use the following short Prayer of Commitment during Advent: -

Together this Advent we commit ourselves:

To slowing down and taking time to pray;

To becoming more aware of the pressures people face;

To considering what action we may be called to take;

To working to free those imprisoned by poverty and debt

To acting justly and living simply.

Give us grace to live as we pray,

Amen

Churches Together will be **carol singing** on Wednesday 18th December starting at Hinderton Mount at 7 p.m. Followed by Bridge Court at 7.45 p.m. and the Boathouse at 9.00 p.m. You are welcome to join us.

There will also be **carol singing** outside Sainsbury's from 10 - 11 a.m. on Saturday 21st December. The more singers the better even if you can only come for a short time.

**Prayer Concerns:** Nancy Carruthers; Audrey Harford; Sister Gwen Appleton; Heather Higson, Harold Smith is now in Clatterbridge, Ward M2. and making a good recovery.  
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## Neston Methodist Church & Community Centre Notices for 8th December



### Today

10.45 a.m. Deacon Judith Ireland.

**Tuesday 10th December** 10.00 a.m. Prayer Meeting at Little Neston.

**Wednesday 11th December** Poster in hall for **Fairtrade Christmas** from 7 p.m. at Alexander's-Rufus Court, Chester.

7.00 p.m. Poster in hall for **Christmas Carol Sing-a-Long** at Little Sutton, Wednesday Admission £3 including refreshments.

**Friday 13th December** 10.30 am – 11 am: Ecumenical Shopper Service – Held in the Church. Holy Communion second Friday of the month. Friday morning Drop-in from 9.30 a.m.

**Drop In** will be closed Friday 20th and 27th Dec 2013, and 3rd Jan 2014. From Friday 10th January 2014, we will re-open as “The Welcome Cafe” – our new name to reflect more closely our Church's ‘all welcome’ approach to encourage newcomers of all ages and abilities.

7.30 p.m. N.E. Singers Carol Concert at St Winefride's. All welcome.

**Saturday 14th December** Neston Christian Fellowship **Men's Breakfast**. at 8.30 a.m. Cooked Breakfast and listen to the music of Peter Jackson, blind pianist who shares his story of faith.

### Sunday 15th December

10.45 a.m. Mrs Diana Jones.

Neston Methodist **Carol Service** will be held Sunday 22nd December, at 10.45 a.m. led by our Minister, Rev Marcus Torchon.

Neston Methodist Church along with Neston Parish Church filled 179 boxes for the **Shoebbox Appeal**, the amount of money raised was £734.80. Thanks to all concerned.

**The Bible** -a new tv series starts on 30th Nov channel 5, 9pm

