



October 2011

Greetings from CE

This is the first of what we hope will be a regular newsletter sent to those of you who are students or out working. We're also sending this to 'Friends of CE' – folks who were involved at one time, and would like to keep in touch. If you know any ex-CE members who would appreciate an update every few weeks, please let us know (e-mail rosemarymccavery@gmail.com)

Many of you have been with us over the past month since CE started back again. It has been wonderful to see you all again!

For any who have been away, we started CE on 4th September with Gilly speaking from Ephesians Ch2 on God's grace, mercy and kindness. Saturday 11th was the start of Portadown Christian Convention and Craig Dyer (from Scotland) was our speaker. He spoke from Ezra Ch 9 on 'A significant day' and challenged us each to respond to God's call on our lives. The following week (18th) was Wayne Sutton. He reminded us of the hope we have in Jesus, and encouraged all to have a personal relationship with Him, and that brings us up to the present.

I think we'll all remember Jean Louis Kassis from London City Mission, who spoke on Saturday past (24th). The stories he told about his work in Webber Street Centre, London, working with homeless people, were amazing and extremely challenging. He showed us all how God's love can be made real in practical ways — giving showers, clean clothes, food... all in the name of Jesus Christ and for His glory. Jean Louis emphasised that each of us is special to God, whatever our background and God cares for us just as we are.



London



Romania



Dominican
Republic



Guinea
Bissau

We had five mission teams away with CE this summer, and we are looking forward to them taking part in CE over the next few weeks. On Friday 23rd September, we had a de-brief night, when they had the opportunity to talk through their experiences, any challenges they faced, and what they have learned. It was a very special evening for us all.

We were also delighted to welcome Neale back from Guinea Bissau and Sarah back from her year with Youth For Christ.

Megan Lyttle, from CE, will be going to Goa, India for 2 months, leaving mid-October, to work with children. Please pray for her.



Many of you receiving this letter will be going back to familiar situations at work or Uni, with friendships already established. But some of you are starting Uni or work for the first time...in a new town, new home, making new friends. You might be having a great time, or you might be struggling. Whatever your situation, and however you're feeling right now, God loves you. You are special to Him. You are important to Him, and He cares about you.

We in CE care about you, and we want to keep in touch with you, even if you're not able to be with us on Saturday evenings.

This is what's happening over the next few weeks...

Saturday 1st October	Gilly, starting our series on Ephesians.
Saturday 8th October	Robbie Chambers, on Ephesians.
Saturday 15th October	London City Mission team taking part and continuing our series on Ephesians.
Saturday 22nd October	George Osborne, from Avanti Ministries.
Saturday 29 th October	Steve and Lynsey Auld

Please pray for us, and we'll be praying for you. As Gilly often says —'We're in this together'.

We'll be in touch soon. God bless,

All your friends at CE xo

Ephesians Ch 2, verses 4-7...

'Because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ, even when we were dead in transgressions, it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ, and seated us with Him in the heavenly realms, in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages, He might show the incomparable riches of His grace, expressed in His kindness to us in Christ Jesus.'