

Working Party to the Jonas Centre Monday 25th – Friday 29th May 2015

Holy Trinity Claygate is organising a working party to the Jonas Centre in Wensleydale, a Christian holiday and retreat centre that alongside regular bookings from organisations and individuals offers subsidised holidays to those in need. During the week we will have the opportunity to help the manager Simon Eastwood (ex HTC member) and the staff at the centre in any way we are able and to enjoy some of the peace and tranquillity of this very special place.

What will we do?

The trip is for 5 days during half term week, from 25th- 29th May. The Monday and Friday will mainly be travel days, leaving us 3 full days at the centre. On Tuesday and Wednesday we will be helping Simon around the centre. Tasks will typically include general ground maintenance and gardening, painting, simple building tasks, cleaning and sorting some of the communal areas. However, if people come with specific skills these will be well used, e.g. in the past we have made curtains. That will leave a day at the end of the week to enjoy the beautiful countryside and attractions of Wensleydale.

Who is welcome?

Absolutely anyone is welcome. Children of all ages will be very well catered for as they can either help out as much as they are able or just enjoy playing in the wide open spaces at the centre. If appropriate we will organise shared childcare between ourselves so that as many people as possible can be available to work.

What is the accommodation?

We will be staying in the log cabins at the centre. These are two-bedroom self-catering cabins with a fully-equipped kitchen, heating and television. We will need to bring our own towels and bed linen. Families will have their own cabin but it would be helpful if couples would be willing to share cabins and people coming on their own could either share rooms and/or cabins.

Catering arrangements will depend on how many people apply but we are likely to be responsible for making our own breakfast but then would probably share the rest of our meals together.

What is the cost?

The cost of the accommodation will be around £240 per cabin for the 4 nights. This works out as £240 per family, £120 for a couple or single person sharing a cabin and £60 for a single person sharing a room.

On top of this there will also be the cost of travel to the centre (although we will try to share lifts wherever possible) and a contribution towards the cost of meals shared together.

For more details have a look at the Jonas Centre website: www.jonascentre.org or speak to Emma Coy (emmacoy@holytrinityclaygate.org.uk tel: 01372 463603) or get an application form from the church office or HTC website to apply.