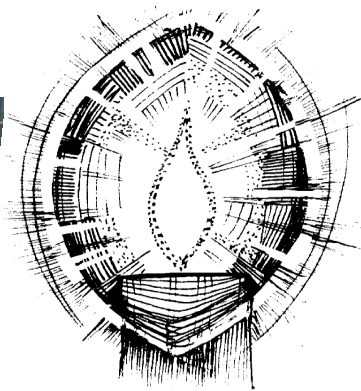
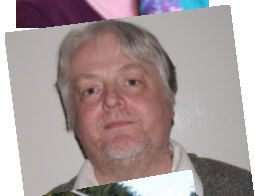


We wish you a very
HAPPY CHRISTMAS



John 1: 5

'Light shines in the darkness'



Thank you for all your support in 2010



Christian action on homelessness

Charity no 1093689



LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!

Routes to Roots Winter Appeal 2010

Please shine a little bit of light and love

AND BUY A GUY A BIG BREAKFAST THIS WINTER!

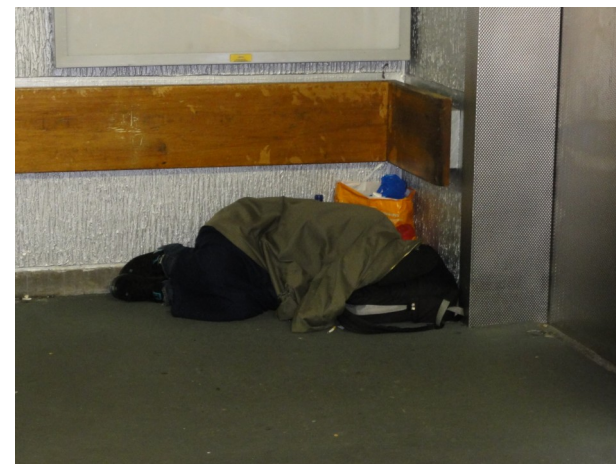
We are concerned about the rough sleepers who despite our best efforts will be sleeping outside in what is looking to be our coldest winter for some years.

The Fisherman's Café near Poole Quay,
are offering to provide a full breakfast and hot drink for £3.
We will be giving out vouchers only to those who we know are genuine rough sleepers.

Please can you help us?

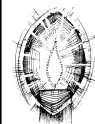
Please donate what you can to help us provide this vital hot food and drink
and also to enable us pay for emergency accommodation
for our most vulnerable rough sleepers.

Thick winter sleeping bags and camping mats, warm clothing
i.e. coats, track suit bottoms and thick jumpers would also be appreciated.



'No room at the INN?'

Rough sleeper found sleeping in car park in December.



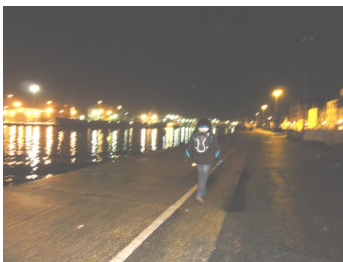
Please mark your donation 'R2R Winter Appeal' and send to
The R2R Office, Skinner street URC, Skinner Street, Poole,

THANK YOU!

Pat Southgate, Chair R2R



R2R OUTREACH AND SUPPORT - *Light shining in the darkness*



Our partnership with BCHA to provide a new Outreach Service for Poole commissioned by Poole Borough Council has been a great success. From early morning till late at night, our Outreach workers are out and about searching for rough sleepers and helping them to access the help they need. Volunteers are still needed to assist with early morning outreach.

SUPPORT AND SOCIAL INCLUSION

Our Support Manager, Rob Fish, works with those who are currently housed to help minimize the risk of repeated homelessness. He seeks out those who are in danger of losing their tenancies for whatever reason and helps them access the support and advice they need.

Our Drop - ins provide a safe place to meet with friends in a non judgmental environment. When funding is available, various creative opportunities are offered, including cooking and conservation work.



R2R Drop - ins. A safe place to eat and meet with friends and outreach and support workers.



R2R BEFRIENDING TEAMS



The aim of this project is to assist those who are placed in accommodation to remain in their tenancy by giving them individual befriending support in order to become more rooted in the local community. Our initial Pilot Project which included eighteen trained volunteers working in six teams with six former rough sleepers was generously funded by Quaker Homeless Action. Now that the pilot has come to an end, R2R are looking to continue providing this valuable befriending service and are looking for more volunteers. If you have a little time to spare and a lot of patience to give, then please get in touch with R2R and help make a real difference in the life of a vulnerable person today.

Please contact our Administrator, tel 07929 877372 or email: office@routestoroots.org

Please see R2R website www.routestoroots.org for up to date news and info

WAYS YOU CAN HELP US

Please consider becoming a member:

Membership costs only £10 for an individual or £25 for a Church.

Please consider making a donation:

£3 will buy a rough sleeper a cooked breakfast

£4 buys a pair of jeans.

£10 buys a sleeping bag

£30 provides food for an evening drop-in.

£200 will help to make an empty flat a home.

Please consider becoming a volunteer:

R2R relies heavily on our small army of volunteers.

Volunteers are needed on Morning Outreach 6-8 am.

Volunteers are needed at Afternoon Drop ins, Mon + Thurs 1-3 pm

Volunteers are needed at evening Drop ins, Tuesday and Friday 7-9pm

Volunteers also needed to become Befrienders

For details of how you might help with any of the above, please ring our administrator on 07929 877372

MEMBERSHIP FORM

I would like to become a member of Routes to Routes, and I enclose a cheque payable to 'Routes to Roots'.

I would like to make a donation to Routes to Roots to the value of £___

Name: _____

Address: _____

Post Code: _____ Tel No.: _____

email Address: _____

I am a UK taxpayer and I would like to gift-aid my donation

Signed: _____ Date: _____

**Please return to Routes to Roots, c/o The Administrator,
The R2R Office. Skinner Street URC, Skinner Street, Poole, BH15 1QR
(Standing Order forms are available from the Office)**

'When you did it to the least of these - you did it to me ' Matt 25:35