



JOURNEY INTO WHOLENESS

JIW IS 19!

In 1999, a number of Christians in the Colchester area began to meet regularly to pray and plan some kind of relevant Christian witness at the large Colchester Mind, Body Spirit exhibition. They were concerned at the growing number of people drawn to the large variety of alternative therapies and occult activities on offer.

Since those early days, many teams of local Christians have run JIW stalls at events in Essex and further afield and have worked to share with and encourage similar groups in the UK.

Our list of Officers, Trustees and Advisors is at the end of this Newsletter.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Jesus Deck Training Event at Christ Church URC,
164 New London Road, Chelmsford CM2 0AW.

Wed, 23 May 7.3pm
and Thurs 24 May 7.45pm.

Life Arts Mind, Body, Spirit Festival,
Chelmsford City Racecourse
9-10 June 2018, 10am – 5 pm



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JIW is planning to run a stall at this major event.

Aim: to bring the love, light and truth of the Lord Jesus Christ to people who are spiritually hungry.

How: A team of 3-4 people cover one or two hour slots on our stall. Two will be ready at two small tables to read the Jesus Deck with those interested. The other one or two people will have leaflets and information about the Jesus Deck, JIW leaflets and/or access to selected Gospels and Christian literature to use, if appropriate, as they engage with passers-by. People wanting a Jesus Deck reading can book a timed slot if there are no immediate vacancies at the tables. Other JIW volunteers will be prayer walking the event while still others will be at a prayer room in a nearby church.

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presents a
Jesus Deck Training Event

at
Christ Church URC,
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Wed 23 May 2018, 7.30pm refreshments, 7.45 to 9.30pm programme
Thurs 24 May 2018, 7.45pm refreshments, 8pm to 9.45pm programme
Same programme - attend the one that suits your diary

£6 donation requested.

- Share Jesus with New Age spiritual seekers
- One-to-one, friendship evangelism
- Free refreshments, Training Manual, leaflets, our *Maze of Deception* book
- Practical hands-on workshop, resources to take away
- Help with our stall at the Lifearts event at Chelmsford City Racecourse
- free on-site parking via New London Road

To ensure your place, and for more information, please email Clare Rushmer, Trustee, Journey into Wholeness: clare.rushmer@hotmail.co.uk

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Bradwell Gathering, 7 July, 2018,
Pilgrimage from 10.30am,
Gathering from noon

The Tewkesbury Mediaeval Festival, 14-15
July, 2018

Life Arts Mind, Body & Spirit Event at Marks
Tey, Colchester 20 – 21 October, 2018
(to be confirmed)

Tewkesbury training event

On Saturday 5 May, two Trustees of Journey into Wholeness visited Tewkesbury, at the invitation of the Revd Ed Sauven. He had heard of the Jesus Deck, tried it, and found it absolutely amazing in drawing people closer to Jesus! On that Saturday over 25 clergy and lay people from all over the Diocese of Gloucester gathered to get a better understanding of post-modern society, how people visit Mind Body Spirit events (rather than try "regular" Church) and learn how the Jesus Deck is an ideal evangelistic tool to come alongside such people.

Feedback afterwards showed how excited everyone was, and wanting to use the Jesus Deck in other settings. This may include attending the Tewkesbury Festival as well as other events, as opportunities present themselves.

Let us pray for these friends who are finding the Jesus Deck so effective.

Exciting Opportunities

Jesus said, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few," Matt 9: 37. Tens of thousands of spiritual seekers flock annually to Mind, Body and Spirit type events. JIW have found amazing opportunities to present the Gospel to many who are spiritually hungry.

Ways of supporting JIW's work:
Attend a training Session;

Pray at home for JIW and volunteers

Take one or more 2-hour slots at a prayer room for an event to pray for the team, the people, the prayer requests and for the Lord's revelation

Prayer walk in pairs at an event;



Help set up or pack up a stall.

Finance ~ We are a small charity dependent on God's provision through the generosity and commitment of team members and other donors. Our Treasurer tells us that it is more useful to have regular - even small - donations throughout the year. This also enables him to Gift Aid these donations.

In The Front Line, Fighting in the Trenches

In the centenary commemorations of the First World War, we've been reminded of the cost of fighting a war. Journey Into Wholeness teams, committee and supporters are also in the front line ~ against a greater enemy, "for Satan, himself, masquerades as an angel of light," 2 Corinthians 11:14. How ever ancient paths ~ clairvoyance, Indian chakras or Yoga, to modern "therapies" or "dolphins from space have a message for you" may be packaged as helpful and harmless but are rooted in the occult and are not "the true light." John 1:9.

Presenting the Good News of the Lord Jesus Christ is spiritual warfare. Thus prayer cover and our own close walk with the Lord are essential for all involved with JIW, to see others saved from darkness and for our protection. Another essential is the preparation provided by JIW training events and the Training Manual supplied. If you want to find out more, training sessions are an excellent background to this kind of outreach and do not commit you to a JIW team or support (those wishing to join a team will need to attend a training session).

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Jesus Decks available

If you would to buy a Jesus Deck, they are available from us, at £20 including packing & postage. Please contact Howard Gardner at indexprint@btinternet.com

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