



Chernobyl 25 years later

we will remember



A floral and candle tribute - photo: © 2011 Stop Nuclear Power Network

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Editorial

Welcome to this latest edition of Ploughshare which comes on the trail of the first year of a coalition government, the May elections and the referendum. This month we also remember **Conscientious Objectors Day on the 15 May.**

On the second of this month we killed Osama Bin Laden, outright murder, a revenge killing. We have several very nasty people in powerful positions, if we can dispose of this one why not another?

There is also a moralistic question here to answer, is murder wrong? What is the definition of murder? We as Christians are called to account as people of the small Book and of the Cross to look at Christ's example and teachings on these matters. One of the many arguments and the reason of CCNDs' existence is to express the view that killing, especially indiscriminate killing, is wrong. Nuclear weapons kill indiscriminately, cause excessive collateral damage and long term health problems to the wider population. You who are reading this are better versed in this and the many other arguments against the possession of these nuclear devices. What more can we do? We are called as Gospellers to highlight this forcefully as the word of God deemed to all who will hear, at church, work and recreation.

Conscientious Objectors throughout the world have normally stood as individuals with a Conscience and an act of defiance against a power that demanded our service to a war machine. The act of the CO demanded many great sacrifices and courage to go against the flow. Man made this act of the CO wrong but God says its right. Niemöller said what we must do is take a stand, for if we do not, then when we need someone to stand for us, there may well be no one else there. We need to be Conscientious Objectors today, now, against Nuclear Weapons. Prayer calls us to action, it is no good praying for something that does not result in an action. Whenever The Christ prayed he was called to take an enabling action so a result could follow.

Further, Jesus shows us that goodness means standing for what is right and standing against what is wrong. If we are committed to the Gospel Life the great commission is not to the ordained only but to every Christian. (Mathew Ch 28 v19 to end) "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

I pray that I may stand up and be counted and you also.

Blessings

CCND at the 'March for the Alternative'

26 March 2011

Over 500,000 people took to the streets on Saturday 26 March to make clear their opposition to the government's ideology-driven cuts agenda. Many of us maintain that there is one cut we'd like the government to make: Cut Trident - and all wars!

A Christian CND group joined the march with our banner alongside the CND contingent. The peace groups were towards the end of the marchers - the colourful Trades Unions banners appearing first - fair enough really as the march was organised by the TUC. Some of our members arrived in Hyde Park just as all the speakers had finished and people had started packing up! Nevertheless, it was worthwhile.

Those who arrived in Hyde Park earlier - by going straight there or joining the front parts of the march perhaps - were lucky enough to hear a very good spokeswoman from the United Reformed Church who seemed to be the sole faith contribution, although there were plenty of other excellent speakers and entertainment from a brass band.



Pictures of CCND members and friends
by Sue Longbottom/CND

Nuclear Abolition Day - 25 June

Once again, thousands of people around the world will take part in coordinated actions for a treaty banning all nuclear weapons. What do you plan to do on this global day of action?

The leaders of the P5 nuclear-weapon states - the US, Russia, Britain, France and China - are meeting in Paris a few days later, and we must send a loud and clear message to them and to other government leaders: Now is the time to begin negotiations on a nuclear abolition treaty.

ICAN has developed a website where you can register your actions. We also offer a number of action ideas,

some taking as little as 10 minutes. Even if you're short of time, there's no reason why you can't take part!

Nuclear weapons are immoral and inhuman. They can and must be outlawed and eliminated - before they are used again.

With your help, we can make this a reality. Please spread the word, and let us know what you're planning!

With hope and determination,

The ICAN team
www.nuclearabolition.org

Ideas for action

Contact the P5 leaders

The leaders of the P5 nations - the US, Russia, Britain, France and China - will meet in Paris from 29 to 30 June 2011 to discuss nuclear security. We must send a loud and clear message to them: a treaty to outlaw and eliminate all nuclear weapons is urgently needed.

President Barack Obama (United States)

President Dmitry Medvedev (Russia)

Prime Minister David Cameron (United Kingdom)

President Nicolas Sarkozy (France)

President Hu Jintao (China)

Sample letter:

Dear President/Prime Minister,

I am writing in relation to the P5 nuclear security meeting to be held in Paris from 29 to 30 June. This is an opportunity for you and the other participants to make meaningful progress towards fulfilling your promise "to achieve the peace and security of a world without nuclear weapons" made at the Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference last year. Your government rightly expressed "deep concern at the catastrophic humanitarian consequences of any use of nuclear weapons".

As the leader of a nation with nuclear weapons, you have a special responsibility to lead efforts towards a nuclear-weapon-free world. The complete elimination of these immoral, illegal and inhuman devices is the only guarantee against their future use. I encourage you to join other governments in commencing negotiations on a comprehensive treaty banning all nuclear weapons - a nuclear weapons convention. This should be pursued as a matter of urgency.

The abolition of nuclear weapons is a duty you owe not only to your own citizens, but to all citizens of this planet. It is a duty you owe not only to present generations, but to all succeeding generations. You must do everything in your power now to address this fundamental threat to our future.

Yours sincerely,

Host a film screening

June 25 is a perfect occasion for holding an anti-nuclear film screening. There are a number of great new films available, such as *Beating the Bomb*, which can be screened free of charge. You could even use the event as your own fundraiser.

Fold paper cranes

Japanese paper cranes symbolise the will of the world's people to achieve nuclear disarmament. On 25 June, people of all ages will fold paper cranes and send them to political leaders urging them to commence negotiations on a treaty to outlaw and eliminate all nuclear weapons.

Write to your politicians

On 25 June, write to your elected representatives urging them to join the global network of Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Disarmament and to take concrete steps to advance a nuclear weapons convention. Help put disarmament on the political agenda.

Rabble-Rousing For Peace

Highlights of a talk given by Rev. Keith Plaister to Essex Christian CND, April 16th 2011

Full talk available on request, from the CCND office

I am not name-dropping, but am immensely privileged to have been at King's College, London, at the same time and in the same class as Desmond in the '60s, and we have kept in touch - loosely at times - ever since.

One of Desmond Tutu's famous aphorisms is: 'I am puzzled', he says, 'about which Bible people are reading when they suggest that religion and politics don't mix'. That is a puzzle with which we can identify.

It is also interesting for members of CND to reflect on the fact that one of the only countries in the world (if not the only one) to have possessed and later renounced nuclear weapons is Desmond's homeland of South Africa. So...it can be achieved!

But what of the man himself? At the heart of his rabble-rousing for peace is an intense regard for the importance of spirituality in his life. Humorously, this was expressed in a prayer of his used during the struggle against apartheid: 'God, we know you are in control. But do you think you could make it a bit more obvious?'

Like Gandhi, Tutu realised that engaging in socio-political problems is best done from a strong and firm spiritual motivation - something that Christian CND needs to keep in focus itself.

It was while he was at King's College that he found his eyes were being opened to new ways of looking at problems. One of our lecturers, Prof Peter Ackroyd, was often heard using the phrase 'It is not unreasonable to suppose that' - suggesting that everything was not necessarily cut and dried, but that there could be other ways of seeing things. This, for Desmond, was mind-blowing, since, in S Africa, he had been used to a dogmatic, authoritarian (as opposed to authoritative) model of education.

There is much here that we can learn about how to laugh at ourselves and not take ourselves too seriously. When at a restaurant with him last year, we looked across the bay towards the magnificent Table Mountain, he said, 'Didn't God do a fine day's work, making that?'

I asked about his present involvement with the organisation called *The Elders*, and how did it all begin? Desmond told us that Richard Branson (whom he described as a very humble man) and Peter Gabriel had discussed the formation of a group of luminaries (my word, not his) who were now retired from public life, had no axe to grind and yet still, through their experience, had much to offer. Under Tutu's chairmanship, people like Nelson Mandela, his wife Graca Machel, Kofi Annan, Gro Bruntland (ex-Norwegian PM), Fernando Cardoso (ex-president of Brazil), Jimmy Carter and Mary Robinson meet together regularly to consider, discuss and publish their views on certain global problem areas. Sudan, Cyprus, the Middle-East, Zimbabwe and Burma were on their agenda as were issues such as women's rights and the elimination of nuclear weapons. (Interest in the progress of The Elders can be discovered more on [www. The Elders.com](http://www.TheElders.com), which details a response to the Libyan crisis in March where Desmond and others call for Gaddafi to step down.)

Remember how, still in the apartheid era, Desmond led a march, thousands strong, from Cape Town Cathedral to challenge the authorities in the government. But also remember the man's warmth and compassion as he wept during testimonies while chair of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission - a post to which he was appointed by Mandela.

Rabble-rouser he still is, but someone with a profound spiritual base, an infectious sense of humour and an example of remarkably humble humanity. If I have hyperbolised it is only because, apart obviously from my dearest, Desmond is the greatest person I have ever had the privilege of meeting, and there is much that the rest of us can learn from him.

Recommended reading:

- *God has a Dream* - by Desmond Tutu
- *Created for Goodness* (written in collaboration with Mpho, one of his daughters and herself an Anglican priest)
- *Rabble-rouser for Peace* - by John Allen (the authorised biographer)

“Teutates” Anglo-French Treaty

At a summit in London in November 2010 Cameron and Sarkozy signed a 50 year Defence and Security Co-operation Treaty, also known as ‘Teutates’, named after a Celtic war-god. The aim of the treaty according to UK and France is ‘nuclear stockpile stewardship’ and countering nuclear terrorism. Both believe the treaty will be in compliance with NPT obligations. The MoD website states: “The programme will enable each country to undertake experiments in a secure environment and is in full compliance with international obligations including the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (which both the UK and France have ratified and includes the agreement not to undertake any nuclear explosive tests) and the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.”

Project Teutates will have two components: Teutates Épure, the radiographic/hydrodynamics facility at Valduc in France, and Teutates TDC, the Technology Development Center at Aldermaston. The research replaces real underground nuclear tests now banned under the CTBT - this will side-step CTBT and help in designing new warheads. It’s hoped it will save money for both parties - costs are shared ‘equitably’ (but not ‘equally’). But will it really save money? It will be difficult to know what the costs will be - Peter Luff (Minister for Defence) ‘can’t be specific’.

On 19 February Abolition 2000 UK brought together campaigners and analysts from both sides of the Channel for a seminar to discuss the implications of the new UK - France Defence and Security Co-operation Treaty. Participants included Peter Burt from Nuclear Information Service, Abolition 2000 France’s Dominique Lalanne, and Kate Hudson and Dave Webb from CND, amongst others.

Views about the Treaty and its likely consequences differed, but some argued that, by binding the UK’s warhead research programme to France’s, the Treaty will accelerate research on a new UK warhead

design and water down the UK’s support for a world without nuclear weapons.

One of the most striking areas of discussion was about public and government perceptions on nuclear weapons in France. Arielle Denis said for France, the weapons are a symbol of independence and France is scared that the UK will get rid of their nuclear weapons, leaving them as the only nuclear power in Western Europe. Opinion polls show that the French public, although comfortable with the notion of deterrence, are strongly opposed to the use of nuclear weapons and support the idea of an international Nuclear Weapons Convention which would ban nuclear weapons.

Similarly in the UK, politicians usually prefer to talk about an ‘independent deterrent’ rather than use the words ‘nuclear weapons’, and nuclear weapons are seen by many in power as symbols of national prestige and status. Public opinion in the UK, although willing to accept deterrence arguments during the Cold War, has since swung against nuclear weapons on the grounds of their cost and necessity.

The myth that a nuclear weapons state’s seat as a permanent member of the UN Security Council is conditional on being a nuclear state is also actively promoted by advocates of nuclear weapons in this country (in



Patricia Pulham chairing the afternoon session. Pic: Claire Poyner

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fact, the United Nations was formed and the Security Council established in 1945, before four out of the five permanent members had embarked upon their nuclear weapons programmes). There is a strong suspicion that this Treaty is a scheme to bypass the will of the British people by tying the UK nuclear weapons development programme into the programme in France where public resistance is weaker.

At the end of the meeting there was a ‘brain-storming’ session to raise ideas for further action. Some of these ideas are:

- Informing the general public - write articles for websites.
- Joint statement.
- Let MPs know about it - they’ve been by-passed.
- Visits to disarmament ministries in Geneva.
- P5 (China, France, Russia, the United Kingdom, and the United States) Conference in June - statement or visit?
- Embassy visits - CCND plans to visit London embassies. See Page 8.
- Meeting in parliament - invite French groups.

We will let you know if any of these develop further.

Further info from:

Abolition 2000 UK c/o 162 Holloway Road, London, N7 8DQ

<http://www.abolition2000uk.org/>

Nuclear Information Service: Ibex House, 85 Southampton Street, Reading, RG1 2QU. Peter Burt’s review of meeting: <http://nuclearinfo.org/node/2127>
NIS Briefing (PDF): <http://tinyurl.com/3kbtcv8>

The Treaty in full (PDF): <http://tinyurl.com/3z9yjo8>

Some interesting comments here:

<http://tinyurl.com/3s8pz3t>

As usual, if you can’t access any websites get in touch with the office and we’ll send you a paper copy (donations towards costs welcome!).



Peter Burt from Nuclear Information Service,
Abolition 2000 UK Chair Peter Nicholls
and Dominique Lalanne of Abolition 2000 France

CND Letter-writers

Dear All,

On 19 April there was news that a tornado in the southern United States caused the automatic shutdown of two reactors at a Virginia nuclear power station. Though possibly temporary, it is another indication, after Fukushima, of the unpredictable risks which the nuclear industry seeks to minimise.

On the 25th anniversary of the Chernobyl disaster it is appropriate to continue to put pressure on Chris Huhne, LibDem Energy Secretary, to ensure an immediate halt to plans for new UK nuclear power stations and the adoption of a non-nuclear energy policy.

Write to Rt Hon Chris Huhne, MP, Department of Energy & Climate Change, 3 Whitehall Place, London, SW1A 2AW. email: chris.huhne@decc.gsi.gov.uk

You may want to look at the Q & A sheet on nuclear power from CND: <http://tinyurl.com/3ee9ytk> (or ring them for a copy)

Other possible points:

- Nuclear power is a life and death issue, which the LibDem election manifesto opposed. To achieve any electoral credibility the party must make this a condition of continuing in the Coalition.
- The risks nuclear power incurs would not be acceptable under any health and safety regimes.
- Nor are insurance companies prepared to cover them.
- Many of the massive costs of compensation - and decommissioning - are underwritten by the taxpayer.

This is an issue which affects us all and future generations.

From the people who brought you "An Inconvenient Truth" - A film about our nuclear threat:

Countdown to Zero

New Film

The film concentrates on non-proliferation and the risks of nuclear terrorism. Screenings are an ideal opportunity to make sure crucially important issues of nuclear disarmament, Trident nuclear weapons and our obligations under the NPT are properly included in the debate. Screenings are also a good place to distribute the new leaflets.

Screenings

The film distributor Dogwoof is launching a special 'Demand Zero Day' of cinema screenings for the film across the UK and Ireland on 21st June.

Screenings will be followed by a live link-up to London's BAFTA for a high-profile panel discussion with speakers including HM Queen Noor and Margaret Beckett MP.

To see if there's a screening near you, have a look at their website:

<http://www.countdowntozerofilm.com/screenings/>
email: info@dogwoof.com. phone: 020 7831 7252

If there isn't a cinema showing the film near you, become a Dogwoof films Ambassador and you can bring the premiere to your community by hosting your very own screening. See:

<http://goodwithfilm.com/ambassadors> or ring them on 020 7831 7252.

All Ambassadors will be able to offer the Q&A session following the film as a live webstream as well. CND can provide you with a speaker too.

You may like to include a screening as part of Global Nuclear Abolition day on 25 June.



Embassies visits 2011

Our plans to visit the London embassies are well in hand. We have written to the embassies of the Nuclear Weapons States plus India, Pakistan and Israel and the New Agenda Coalition and Japan. We aim to visit the UK FCO with our colleagues Abolition 2000 UK; they are organising this meeting.

So far we have positive responses from: Pakistan, India, Sweden and Japan. If any member would like to come along to any embassy - you may have a special interest or knowledge of a particular country - please get in touch.

Our appointments so far: 27th June: Pakistan at 11.30am and Sweden at 3pm.
28th June: India. 6th, 7th, or 8th July: Japan - day to be confirmed.

Cut Trident

New leaflet and new film on nuclear weapons
CND have re-issued the Scrap Trident leaflets so it is now an all-purpose leaflet for Cut Trident campaigning in general. There's one enclosed with this mailing - ask for more from CND (020 7700 2393, enquiries@cnduk.org)

Placards

The new Cut Trident placards can be used at demos (sticks not provided), events and stalls. CND ask for postage costs only for these.

Chernobyl Day

Twenty five years ago one of the reactors in Chernobyl's nuclear power station exploded resulting in a nuclear disaster in which thousands have been killed. Chernobyl's toxic legacy remains - with on-going cases of cancers and leukaemias, and a landscape still contaminated by radiation.

London CND marked the 25th anniversary of Chernobyl by organising a vigil outside Parliament on 26 April (picture below). Following the vigil there was a public meeting in Portcullis House hosted by Caroline Lucas MP.

Other events to commemorate the day included a candlelight vigil on the eve of the disaster organised by Croydon CND, a concert with music and poetry in Manchester, a debate: "Nuclear Power; to build or not to build?" at the Friends' Meeting House in Norwich, candle-lit vigil and film screening in Liverpool organised by Merseyside CND, and plenty more.



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How to join CCND

Annual membership subscriptions are:

- Waged, individual: £12 (£15 household)
- Unwaged individual £6, (£8 household)
- Group affiliation: from £10
- I/we wish to be a member of CCND
- Please send a standing order form
- I enclose a cheque/PO (payable to CCND) to include the following:

Membership: £.....
Donation: £..... (Thank you!)
TOTAL: £.....

Name.....

Address.....Postcode.....

Telephone.....Email:.....

Denomination/church position:
(Optional)

- To help with local campaigning, I agree that my contact details can be passed on to other CCND members.

CCND will **never** pass members' details to anyone who is not a CCND member.

Please return form to: Christian CND 162 Holloway Rd, London, N7 8DQ

Membership questionnaire

Statement	Agree	Disagree
1 The time has come to wind up the Christian Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament.	2.5%	93%
2 Christian CND is important because it presents a deep moral issue to the churches.	88.5%	6.6%
3 Why not throw in the towel? Even if Trident is axed it will only be to save money. Morality won't get the slightest mention.	5%	89%
4 Put up the subscription for those who can afford it. It hasn't changed for ages.	69%	16%
5 Stop being a single-issue campaign and link up with some other organisation.	15%	71%
6 Have a Membership Drive. Give everyone an 'invitation-to-join' card to pass on to one of their friends.	79%	8%
7 Devise, via the Members, an August 6th day of services and prayer across the country.	67%	14%
8 All very well to say, 'Ye of little faith' but let's fade away as unnoticeably as we can.	0%	93%
9 Send everyone one of those legacy guides. Better still, suggest 'Legacy Advances'!!	40.5%	34%

Dear Members, thank you for your superb response to the green questionnaire. The return was well above the usual level for this kind of exercise, demonstrating the strength of your commitment. Christian CND will not fade away with Members like you. Your Executive is greatly heartened!

The results above speak for themselves. 69% of the returns contained comments and/or ideas. A significant number said how much Christian CND was valued.

Statement 4 sometimes indicated a concern about our financial position. Although we will have to watch expenditure (CND has stopped our annual grant for the current year), our treasurer tells us we are safe and can go forward, albeit with care. Also, we have always been sensitive about raising subscriptions. Some of the comments received suggested ways of continuing not to raise them while allowing for individuals to decide themselves their own increase. We will think about this.

Statement 5: Here, perhaps the most representative comment was that 'it is important to have a specific

voice as linking up with other groups can lead to the issue being put on the back burner'.

Statement 6: The possibility of a Membership Drive. It looks as if this would be popular. Perhaps, as well as invitation cards, Members could be provided with material advertising Christian CND which they could also give to whoever they were inviting to join, plus a small poster listing all the church statements against nuclear weapons for their church notice boards.

Statement 7: Some respondents pointed out that August is a holiday time. A suggestion was made that the precise date in August could be left to be locally decided. Also, we can supply relevant material if asked (and so could Pax Christi)..

Statement 9 foxed a few! There is such a guide and it can be requested by using the Membership insert you receive with your copy of Ploughshare.

Once again, our most grateful thanks!



THANK YOU

Photos needed!

As CCND are not organising so many events this year - though we will be involved in many (such as Conscientious Objectors' Day, Hiroshima & Nagasaki Days) - we won't have so many news-worthy photos to liven up Ploughshare.

So if you have any interesting photographs of your events - not too dark please - do send them in (we will scan and return) or email high-resolution photos to christians@cnduk.org Thank you!



If you don't send us pictures we will have to recycle old ones like this one taken at Devonport in 2004

Sheroes

Copies are in the office and are available for £2 each.

Christian Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament

'Sheroes'

There is an order form with this mailing. Send a cheque made out to 'Christian CND' to our office at 162 Holloway Road, London N7 8DQ and we will post them out as soon as we can.



Recommend a friend

In response to demand (see opposite page), we will be producing 'Recommend a friend' cards. This will help us in promoting Christian CND (but only with your help).

If you can give at least one card to a friend to invite them to join us, and some of those friends join up, we will be in a better position to do all the things we want to do this year!

The 'Recommend a friend' card will be sent out with the next mailing. Extra cards will be available on request.

Prayer Diary

Please remember the following people and events in your prayers:

MAY: NPT first signed in 1970 and all who have worked to see it fulfilled.

MAY 24th: International Women's Day for Disarmament and all those "Sheroes" mentioned in our booklet.

JUNE 12th: Pentecost Sunday - that the Holy Spirit strengthens us in our work for peace.

JULY 8th: Anniversary of the World Court Judgement on the Illegality of Nuclear Weapons; that this judgement will guide the actions of the Nuclear States.

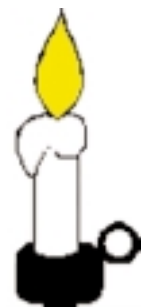
JULY 15th-17th: Swanwick Justice and Peace Conference on justice in the work place, that econom-

ics force no-one to undertake employment that makes war more likely.

AUGUST 6th: Hiroshima Day

AUGUST 9th: Nagasaki Day - that these anniversaries always remind us of the horrors of nuclear war and strengthen our resolve to rid the world of these appalling weapons.

AUGUST 26th-29th: Greenbelt: for all who have worked to organise this weekend and all who take part.



Saturday 28 May: Pax Christi AGM. 10.30am business meeting, 1pm - bring lunch to share. Afternoon guest speaker Canon David Porter, Director of Reconciliation Ministry, Coventry Cathedral followed by Liturgy and Pax Christi Peace Award. Venue is Holy Apostles Church Hall, Cumberland Street, London SW1V 4LY. Nearest tube is Pimlico, buses 24 or C10 from Victoria Station. RSVP: 020 8203 4884 or admin@paxchristi.org.uk

29 May - 4 June: World Week for Peace in Palestine Israel. An initiative of the World Council of Churches, supported by Pax Christi. Why not plan an event in your community/church to pray and take action for peace. Let us know of your plans and we can publicise them to others. Download leaflet with prayer ideas/quotations from residents in and around Jerusalem on www.paxchristi.org.uk Pax Christi, St Joseph's, Watford Way, London, NW4 4TY 0208 203 4884.

6 June: Annual Erskine Childers Lecture: Henning Melber will explore Peace and Development issues in the last 50 years since the death of Dag Hammarskjöld, who was second Secretary General of the United Nations. 6.30-8.30 at Central Hall Westminster, Storey's Gate, London, SW1H 9HN. Vijay Mehta, 97 Commercial Road, London, E1 1RD vijay@vmpeace.org Tel: 07776 231 018.

9 - 13 June: Faslane Peace Camp 29th Birthday Party. A long week-end of wacky workshops, preposterous parades and flamboyant festivities, come with musical instruments, fun costumes and a desire for dissent! If you would like to run a workshop, let us know and we can help you. Site phone 07511 793227

Saturday 18 June: 26th Annual Celebration of the London Peace Pagoda. 2pm. Nipponzan Myohoji, The London Peace Pagoda, C/o Park Office, Battersea Park, Albert Bridge Road, London SW11 4NJ. 020 7228 9620. All welcome.

19 June: Peace Walk. Peace sites in London guided walk. 2.30pm at the Gandhi statue in Tavistock Square. There is no fee for this though donations always welcome but we would like to know numbers in advance, so please book with Annie at 020 7424 9444. www.ppu.org.uk/peacewalk

25 June: Nuclear Abolition Day. Worldwide events campaigning for a treaty to outlaw all nuclear weapons. <http://www.nuclearabolition.org/> See page 4.

4 July: Annual 'Independence FROM America' day. Organised by Campaign for the Accountability of American Bases (CAAB), 9 Swarcliffe Road, Harrogate, HG1 4QZ. Tel no: 01423 884076 <http://www.caab.org.uk>

8-11 July: An extended weekend of women only non-violent discussion and activity at Aldermaston. Welcoming, relaxed and inclusive skills sharing and discussion. Please contact us if your group would like to contribute to the weekend programme. This is a women only event. More details coming soon or contact: info@aldermaston.net 07969 739 812.

15 - 17 July: Justice at Work - a place of safety, fulfilment and growth? 33rd Annual Justice & Peace Conference. The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Derbyshire. Details from NJPN, 39 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1BX. 020 7901 4864. admin@justice-and-peace.org.uk www.justice-and-peace.org.uk

6 August: Hiroshima Day. Commemoration, Tavistock Square, 12noon. Contact London Region CND. <http://www.londoncnd.com/> 0207 607 2302

6 August: Christian CND Hiroshima Service at 8pm at the Quaker Meeting House, 49 Hutton Road Shenfield. There is limited parking at the Meeting House but parking on the road and the station is only a few minutes walk away. All very welcome. Info: beryl.lankester@virgin.net

9 August: Nagasaki Day. Commemoration and Peace Walk from Westminster Cathedral to the London Peace Pagoda followed by the Floating Lantern Ceremony at sunset. Nipponzan Myohoji, The London Peace Pagoda, C/o Park Office, Battersea Park, Albert Bridge Road, London SW11 4NJ. 020 7228 9620. All welcome.

26-29 August: Greenbelt Festival at Cheltenham Racecourse. Music, talks, art, film, comedy, worship and of course, the Peace Zone co-ordinated by NCPO. Greenbelt Festival, 83 London Wall, London, EC2M 5ND 020 7374 2760 info@greenbelt.org.uk <http://www.greenbelt.org.uk>

11 September: CAAT Christian Network Day of Prayer. This year's Christian Network Day of Prayer will take place on the eve of DSEi, one of the world's largest arms fairs. Please put the date in your diary, and contact outreach@caat.org.uk 020 7281 0297 to pre-order materials to encourage reflection in your Christian community.

24 September: CCND Annual General Meeting. Details later.

CCND goods

Pack of 24 A4 sheets of Interfaith quotations on peace as used at the Creation Conference £1 a pack

Legacy leaflet Free

Churches' pack Free

T-Shirts £12 each.

Cotton bags £3 each.

Picasso Greetings Cards. £2.50 for six.

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