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## SEASON OF CREATION

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1<sup>st</sup> September – 4<sup>th</sup> October 2025

From September 1 to October 4, 2025, Christians around the world will unite to celebrate the Season of Creation, an annual time of prayer and action for our common home. This year's theme, "**Peace with Creation**" (Isaiah 32:14–18), calls communities to seek ecological justice and restoration amid a climate crisis.

The season encourages churches and individuals to host prayer services, plant gardens, advocate for climate and debt justice, and reflect on how faith leads us to healing relationships—with the Earth, with each other, and with God.

The newly released **Season of Creation 2025 Celebration Guide** offers 41 pages of resources including liturgies, prayer services, advocacy plans, creative ideas like community gardening, and promotional content for local groups.

It is available for download now from <https://seasonofcreation.org/>.

[www.ctcinfohub.org/season-of-creation/](http://www.ctcinfohub.org/season-of-creation/)



We are very sorry to announce the death of Mary Bradley on 11 August as a result of injuries sustained in a fall.

An active member of St Mary's Roman Catholic Church Falmouth, Mary was well known in the Catholic and ecumenical communities across Cornwall and beyond, serving on the Falmouth Fair Trade Committee and in Falmouth and Penryn Churches Together for which she organised a monthly Justice and Peace Action Group.

She was also a lay associate of the Irish Medical Missionaries of Mary, and formerly worked in several countries including Nigeria and Liberia as a lay missionary nurse tutor. A warm and supportive friend to very many people, she will be greatly missed.



## GLOBAL WEEK OF PRAYER

**1<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> Sept 2025**

**Fairwinds Café (below King Charles the Martyr Church), 33 Church St, Falmouth, TR11 3DX**

24-7 Prayer is an international, interdenominational movement of prayer, mission and justice; a non-stop prayer meeting that has continued for every minute of this century so far, in over half the countries on Earth. From 1<sup>st</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> September there is an opportunity to pray with people across the world for the world, our nation, our town, our community, our family, ourselves, 24 hours a day for 7 days.

We are meeting at the Fairwinds Café in Falmouth. You can book your time slot – from half an hour to 1 hour or more, on your own or in groups, here: <https://signup24-7prayer.com/signup/1441aa>

More information: [www.ctcinfohub.org/wp-content/uploads/24-7-Prayer-1.pdf](http://www.ctcinfohub.org/wp-content/uploads/24-7-Prayer-1.pdf)



## A SERVICE OF REFLECTION FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY SUICIDE

**14<sup>th</sup> September 2025, 2pm**

**Truro Cathedral, St Mary's St, Truro, TR1 2AF**

This service provides an opportunity for all those affected by suicide to come together in a safe and supportive space to remember those they have lost.

All are welcome – of all faiths or none – to this special event.

Held on the closest weekend to World Suicide Prevention Day, under the shared umbrella of “Time Together” with a similar service held on the same weekend as St Martin-in-the-Fields in London, Manchester Cathedral and in Leicester, in recognition and support of a wider community of those who are bereaved.

The Celtic Male Ensemble will provide choral music, with a performance by the Singing for Wellbeing group for those bereaved by suicide.

Refreshments will be provided after the service in the Chapter House and there will be an opportunity to meet with those who offer support services in the community.

[www.ctcinfohub.org/events/250914-a-service-of-reflection-for-those-affected-by-suicide-14th-sept-2pm-truro-cathedral/](http://www.ctcinfohub.org/events/250914-a-service-of-reflection-for-those-affected-by-suicide-14th-sept-2pm-truro-cathedral/)



## TEARS OF GOLD - EXHIBITION

**13<sup>th</sup> October – 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025**

**Truro Cathedral, St Mary's St, Truro, TR1 2AF**

**Free entry, all welcome**

What does hope look like in the face of persecution?

Created by a group of courageous Christian women from Nigeria, these self-portraits were painted as part of a trauma healing programme after they experienced violent attacks for their faith. Many include golden tears — a striking symbol of how God can bring hope, dignity and healing out of deep pain.

Alongside their own artwork, you'll see beautiful portraits by British artist **@hannahrosethomas**, who worked with the women to honour their stories through art.

This free Tears of Gold exhibition is part of the @OpenDoorsUK *See. Change.* campaign, which shines a light on the unique persecution faced by Christian women around the world.

[www.ctcinfohub.org/events/251013-tears-of-gold-exhibition-13-oct-3-nov-truro/](http://www.ctcinfohub.org/events/251013-tears-of-gold-exhibition-13-oct-3-nov-truro/)

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## HEALING CLINIC

6<sup>th</sup> September/monthly, 10.30am – 1pm

Penryn Town Hall or Temperance Hall

Healing prayer for any sickness, physical or emotional pain. Here is a list of future dates:

- 06/09/2025 Town Hall
- 04/10/2025 Town Hall
- 01/11/2025 Town Hall
- 06/12/2025 Temperance Hall

[www.ctcinfohub.org/events/250503-healing-clinic-3-may-monthly-penryn/](http://www.ctcinfohub.org/events/250503-healing-clinic-3-may-monthly-penryn/)

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## FEET ON THE STREET - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Could you give up one evening a month to ensure we can continue this valuable work?

People listened to, potential fights dissipated, drunk and sick people helped, vulnerable people cared for... happy people, angry people, sad people and lost souls – all God's children! Quality conversations and much glass cleared from the ground and regular appreciation shown to us from the door staff and the community at large.

Our volunteers have all enjoyed their 'once a month' shifts and would love for you to join them, we have tea breaks in Fairwinds and it's a lovely way to meet people from our community. We have early and late shift options available.

Come out as an observer if you're not sure – either way get in touch with us via our website contact page – [www.feetonthestreetfalmouth.org](http://www.feetonthestreetfalmouth.org).

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Dear Friends,

We hope this message finds you well. As always, we deeply appreciate your unwavering support for our community.

Sadly we continue to see a steady increase in people needing emergency food parcels.

**Challenging Times:** Due to the current economic situation, we have a lot more clients, many of whom are working and still finding it hard to make ends meet.

**Our Response:** To address this urgent need, we continue to purchase essential items ourselves. **The average weekly food shop costs us £450 a**

**week (roughly £1800 a month)**, so this is not a sustainable solution. We rely on the generosity of our community to keep our food bank operational, therefore we would ask that you can spread the word on our behalf, which we would really appreciate.

**How You Can Help:** Every small contribution makes a significant difference. If you can spare a little extra, it will go a long way in supporting those who rely on our service. **We are extremely short of the following supplies at the moment:**

- Tinned fruit
- Pasta Sauce jars
- Sugar
- Tinned meat
- Semi skimmed long life milk
- Tuna
- Meat soup/ Veg soup
- Coffee
- Tinned potatoes
- Tinned hot dogs
- Tinned meatballs
- Bottles of squash
- Cans of 'pop' e.g. coca cola, lemonade etc (we give out individual cans for the single boxes)
- Tinned tomatoes
- Baked beans
- Essential toiletries, particularly deodorant

#### **Local Drop-Off Points for donations:**

If you'd like to donate in person, please visit any of the following drop-off locations:

- Penryn & Falmouth Foodbank (Mons: 10am-1pm and Thurs: 1pm-4pm)
- Asda (In-Store Purchases Only)
- Tesco Metro (In-Store Purchases Only)
- Natural Store, Falmouth
- Co-op, Boslowick, Falmouth
- Superdrug, Falmouth
- Poundland, Falmouth

**Online Shopping:** For those who prefer online shopping or are able to contribute a little more, we can also accept food deliveries directly. If you place an order please do notify us, that way we

can ensure we have volunteers on hand to accept the delivery at **Penryn & Falmouth Foodbank:**

- Mondays: 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
- Thursdays: 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Our address: **Highway Community Centre, Church Road, Penryn TR10 8DA**

Please select a delivery during these hours only and let us know if an order is placed to ensure we are in to accept the delivery.

**Financial Donations:** Visit our website at Penryn and Falmouth Foodbank to make a secure online donation:

<https://penrynfalmouth.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money/>

**Follow us on Facebook:** We update the Penryn & Falmouth Foodbank page every week, so don't miss our exciting updates!

[www.facebook.com/penrynfalmouthfoodbank/?locale=en\\_GB](https://www.facebook.com/penrynfalmouthfoodbank/?locale=en_GB)

**Spread the Word:** Share our mission with friends and family. Every voice counts! **Your kindness and compassion make a real impact in the lives of our clients. Thank you for being part of our community's support network.**

Warm regards

Joy

Penryn & Falmouth Foodbank – Project Coordinator

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