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CMS Southern Conference 2024, c/o Mrs Jane Fulford, 15 Brandon Avenue, Woodley, Reading, RG5 4PU

Please pay full fees by BACS or cheque (made out to Church Mission Society). (A deposit of £60 per person is acceptable if necessary.) Please contact Jane Fulford for bank account details for BACS.

Please note:

For cancellations before 8 March 2024, payment can be refunded. After this date the deposit may be retained unless the vacancy can be filled. It is advisable to take out insurance against cancellation.

If the fees reach Jane Fulford by 8 March 2024 a discount of ± 24 per person is available. Otherwise the full fees should be paid before the conference.

Bursary funds are available to help if you are unable to meet the full costs. Please apply to Jane Fulford explaining the circumstances. Your letter will be treated in confidence. High Leigh also have bursary funds.

The security of your data, and privacy, is important. We will use your details to tell you about arrangements for the conference, keep you informed of how you can continue to give and pray, and from time to time seek your views and opinions. To change what you get from us, please call 01865 787400 or email supporter.care@churchmissionsociety.org. You can read our full privacy policy at churchmissionsociety.org/privacy-policy



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The Challenges of Refugees: Loving our Neighbours





Lea and Petra Williams are CMS mission partners in Brno, Czech Republic, where they lead the Anglican congregation, a young community committed to missional hospitality and connecting with the

significant student population. Since their arrival in late 2021 the Czech Republic has welcomed almost 500,000 refugees, the highest per capita intake within the EU. From the onset of the conflict in Ukraine, Lea and Petra have supported a local NGO offering essential aid and information to hundreds of refugees. Their efforts have evolved to encompass long-term support, including emergency accommodation, emotional support and educational programmes.

Our Chaplain

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Rev Susan Height has been a parish priest for the last twenty years, retiring from full time ministry in South London in April 2022. She has experience in pastoral care within a parish setting and is a trained spiritual director and life coach. Her ministry has involved working with many asylum seekers and refugees both in Birmingham and South London. Currently she is part of a team who manage a Christian community – church, Bible study, a community garden project and social activities – for Iranian asylum seekers in local hostels.

The Church Mission Society Southern Conference welcomes members, supporters and friends of CMS. It is organised by a team of CMS members from the south of England and runs from 6pm Friday 19 April to 2pm Sunday 21 April 2024.

Jesus spent much of his time with people at the edges, and that's where we want to be too. Church Mission Society invites people at the edges of church, the edges of society and the edges of our comfort zones to follow Jesus and play a part in his story. Come with us to the edges

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Phil and Sylvie Good were CMS mission partner in Lebanon until last year, connecting and sharing life with people who desperately need to know the God who leaves no one behind even when everyone else

has moved on. In Beirut, people were reeling from multiple crises and hungry for the hope the gospel brings. Many Syrian refugees have committed their lives to Jesus and are exploring their newfound faith, while others are waiting to hear the good news. As well as investing time in people in Beirut, Phil and Sylvie helped CMS local partners in the north of Lebanon with developing a new building for a school providing education to Syrian refugees.



and discover God at work in ways you might not have expected.

High Leigh is a major Christian conference centre at Hoddesdon in Hertfordshire. It is easily accessible from the A10. Detailed maps will be sent with the conference programme to all participants in early March. All rooms at High Leigh have en-suite bathrooms.

The conference will also be accessible online through Zoom – contact Jane for details.

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