

UNLOCK FOR ANYONE

Some of you may think Unlock's top priority is the Unlock Walk, or Unlock Bible Study Resources. In either case you would be wrong. Unlock's Mission Statement is:

**UNLOCKING REAL LIFE STORIES OF URBAN PEOPLE
REVEALING GOOD NEWS OF THE DOWN TO EARTH CHRIST
RELEASING LIFE CHANGING SKILLS AND CONFIDENCE**

The primary way in which we do this is by employing part time Unlock workers in urban communities in the UK (you will find their stories on several pages in this newsletter). Their task is to work with and enable local people to use Unlock's approach to Bible engagement within their own communities for themselves.

Mostly they do this in the contexts (such as lunch clubs, toddler groups, or other forms of community outreach) where churches are already delivering social action but have not really found a way of sharing the Gospel as part of that. Unlock Workers work alongside local church people, usually forming small groups where they can begin by listening to people's stories and

move on to looking at how the everyday lives of ordinary people connect with stories in the Bible. When people make and own these connections for themselves their attitudes, behaviour and lives are transformed. Unlock work is setting the Gospel free in urban communities.



LONDON WALK PLANNING TEAM
Left to right: Geoff, Tim, Jenny (Unlock Office) & Sarah (not pictured: Ian, map maker extraordinaire!)

The Bible study resource packs you will find free to download from the Unlock website <http://www.unlock-urban.org.uk/resources.php> are simply a by-product of this process. Each pack has been developed in response to the needs of a particular group of people in a particular place and time. They are not designed to be used 'off the peg', anywhere by anyone. However, we feel that, since our workers have created them, they may as well be available more widely, so that people can see how they work and be inspired to have a go for themselves. You are encouraged to be selective and to adapt them to your own context. The

staff at the Unlock office are standing by to answer your questions and support you with any guidance that you need.

This means that you don't actually need an Unlock Worker on your patch to use Unlock's way of encouraging people to make connections between their own lives and the stories in the Bible. Every church includes someone who would be able to use the free Unlock resources themselves in order to learn how it works.

New on the website this year

- Keep Calm and...
- Looking at Homelessness – Really Looking

So where does the Annual London walk fit in? The London walk is essential to our work because it funds it. Each year it raises about 30% of the funds required to do our work across the UK. Without it Unlock would not be viable. But we see no reason why fundraising should not also be fun; so our dedicated voluntary team work very hard each year to ensure that the day is both enjoyable and informative. The 2018 walk will take place in Tottenham on Saturday April 28th.

**KEEP
CALM
and**



Creative Material for 4 sessions on the themes of celebration, prayer, partying and trust; connecting issues in day to day life with Bible stories



Developed by Alison Adlum
Unlock Burnley Discipleship Development Worker 2014–2015

Looking at Homelessness – Really Looking



source: www.btimes.co.uk



London Walk Workshop 2017

**Designed and created by
Siggie Parratt-Halbert**

OUR FRIENDS AT THE BIBLE SOCIETY

It's kind of like having a big brother or sister. If you've read any of our newsletters you cannot fail to be aware of how tiny Unlock is for a National Charity; spread out over the whole country with just a handful of part time staff and running on only around £60k per annum.

When you are tiny, it can be very helpful to have some bigger friends. They might help you reach things that you can't quite get to on your own, or stand firm beside you when the big bully gang come looking for a fight (not that I'm suggesting this has happened to Unlock!), they might lend their voice to yours to increase the chance of you being heard, lift you up so

that you can see over the crowd; or even, when times get really tough and your little legs get tired, carry you to safer ground!

But what is in it for them? On the whole we like to think they are our friends and partners because they like us and they believe in what we are trying to do, but perhaps there's a bit more to it.

In our 2016 Unlock Update Rachel Rounds, Head of Corporate Communications at Bible Society wrote, 'Bible Society wants Scripture to come alive and be relevant; and because Unlock allows people to learn by speaking, doing and listening, rather than by reading and

studying – the Bible is opened up to them in a new way which can be a revelation to people who may be illiterate or simply don't come from a culture where books, reading and formal learning are held in high regard.' The bottom line is that they get it!

We've been in partnership with the Bible Society now since 2014 and the more we work together the more common ground and common interests we find. There are things we can do with each other's support and guidance that neither charity could achieve alone and surely that's the model of the Gospels. (Romans 12:5)

LYNETTE IN HASTINGS



I have lived in Hastings for 39 years. I have been involved with the Hastings and St Leonards community over the past 25 years, running projects for the homeless including soup runs, support groups and working with 16-25 year olds.

I have worked for The Fellowship of St Nicholas as a tutor, support worker and session work with Dragonflies group for bereaved children.

I have supported prisoners as a prison visitor and also attended court to support young people who have committed offences.

I have lived on council estates and helped building up a church. Sent out on a church plant.

ARK BUT NOT JAM ON GOOD FRIDAY

Friday JAM Club is growing steadily and all who come along really enjoy it. One of the families that regularly come to The Ark in the school holidays, came along to JAM Club and asked if JAM would be on Good Friday. I said no it wouldn't be, she was really puzzled by this and asked why, so I explained a bit about what Good Friday was about. We are now having The Ark on Good Friday morning and making an Easter Garden outside, complete with Cross and tomb, then coming back on Easter Saturday to decorate with flowers and garlands ready for Easter Sunday.

Amazing!!!

EYES OPEN, EARS OPEN

At times we seem to be living in a hurting and broken world. People have their stories of hurt and brokenness, often unheard or overheard, on the fringes - perhaps feeling that they don't belong or aren't connected. I want to be connected to and hearing the people on the margin and the fringes, who aren't engaging with the church, but who never-the-less have God within them, though they may not recognise it yet. I want to open my eyes and ears to the truth that is within those who are hurting and broken.

Unlock work offers the opportunity not only to engage and mobilise a community of disciples but also to grow 'disciplemakers' - through empowerment and encouragement; unlocking first each person's own experience,



then setting that alongside the stories in the Bible and opening ourselves up to the transformative power of the Holy Spirit. We look for those whose story burns within them waiting to be heard. In finding ourselves we find that God is already a part of us and learn to walk with God as a conscious choice.

In response we come out to meet the needs that we see; we build community in the face of isolation and loneliness; we seek to restore hope in the places of loss and fear; we seek healing and completion amongst brokenness, and search for the lost - however scary the wilderness. The combination of really listening to people and attending to the stories of God unlocks transformation and grace.

"Whoever has ears to hear, let them hear."

PHILL - BYKER & WALKER

APPLYING THE WD40 OR CHANGING THE LOCKS? NOPE - LEARNING TO TACK!

In the Autumn of 2016 Unlock staff, council members and workers undertook our first major review in 12 years. We invited friends from our Unlock Local Teams and our National Partners to reflect with us and share their wisdom and perspectives.

Perhaps the most fruitful thing to come out of the review process was an image of Unlock tacking like a sailing dinghy, rather than ploughing forward like an ocean liner.

Dinghies are both driven by, and at the mercy of changing winds. We might end up in places - propelled by the spirit - that we aren't expecting, ports we never imagined we'd enter. It takes guts and skill to respond to the changing winds and we often have to be prepared to tack back and forth in order to make progress. Unlock's work often feels just like this and being small gives us the benefit of being nimble, even if we do not always



appear to be heading for our goals by the most direct route! It was good to be reminded by this image that Unlock's work means putting ourselves in God's hands and making the most of the opportunities that come our way.

Overall the outcome could be summed up as 'Steady as She Goes' (a suitably nautical term), with no major changes in strategy but some new possibilities to explore in terms of delivery and an encouragement to be flexible and creative in the way we work. As a result we have taken a flexible approach to establishing our new work in Hastings, made the Bible Study Resources on the Unlock website searchable, and are developing new work in Birmingham in partnership with the St Peter's Saltley Trust, which will be testing out how social media might be used to facilitate urban mission.

We are grateful to everyone who participated.

BLESSINGS PEBBLES

On Good Friday people were encouraged to hand out the 'blessings pebbles' on the Walk of Witness. After the Walk, I took pebbles to all the businesses open that day and gave one to each person who was working, telling them it was a thank-you from local churches for working on a Bank Holiday. At the McColl's supermarket the woman on the till was overjoyed. It was her birthday and she'd been trying to cadge the stone her colleague had been given, so she was really pleased to be given one of her own. Likewise, at one of the greasy spoons, when I introduced myself, the woman behind the counter was quite snappy - tired and harassed, it was a busy café - but when I quickly gave her and her co-workers a pebble each, her tone changed straightaway, and her face and attitude melted somewhat. This was a really good way of witnessing, and no-one objected. People seemed pleased they had been remembered, and their sacrifice acknowledged. Some of the pebbles had overtly Christian messages but still there were no objections.



THE UNLOCK LEARNING CYCLE

UNLOCKING REAL LIFE STORIES OF URBAN PEOPLE

Start with the group telling stories from their real life experience.

LEADING TO MORE EXPERIENCE

What we learn now is learnt for life and changes us. We also learn to keep reflecting!

RELEASING LIFE CHANGING SKILLS AND CONFIDENCE

Change happens as a result of linking real life experience with the Bible. This change often leads to action among others.

REVEALING GOOD NEWS OF THE DOWN TO EARTH CHRIST

The real life stories are connected to and compared with similar situations in the Bible.

LONDON WALK

CHURCH WALKING GROUPS

BY JENNY BLAKE

Here is a list of church groups who sent their sponsorship in for the 2017 walk, in order of the amount each one has raised. Competition is tight so a big thank you to everyone and especially the walk leaders who do such a good job in recruiting walkers and sponsors.

St Mary's Church, Hadlow, Kent
St Matthew's Church, High Brooms,
Tunbridge Wells
St Luke's, Bricket Wood
St Andrew's, Sidcup
Ashurst Drive Baptist Church, Ilford
Sharnbrook Churches Together
Merrow Methodist Church, Guildford
High Cross Church, Camberley
Crofton Park Baptist Church
Park Street Baptist
East Plumstead Baptist
St Peter ad Vincula, Wisborough Green
Oakridge Baptist Church, High Wycombe
St Mary Magdalen, Sheet

St Paul's, Hook
Chiswell Green URC
St John's, Moulsham, Chelmsford
Stratford Methodist Church
St George's, Stamford
All Saints, Lindfield
The Avenue Methodist Church, High Wycombe
West Side Church
Benefice of Aldermaston & Woolhampton
St Gregory's, Sudbury
St Andrew's, Chelmsford
Dagnall Street Baptist
St Matthews Church, Redhill
St Paul's Church, Marylebone
Welling Methodist Church
URC Pulborough
Guildford Methodist Church
St John the Baptist, Barnet
Christ Church, St Mathews & St Peters,
Tunbridge Wells
East Hill Baptist Church
St Matthew & St James, Mossley Hill, Liverpool
Hainault Baptist & St Paul's Parish Church
Abbey Centre Baptist Church, Northampton

We have received many positive comments in the office about the walk ranging from a good day out, very pleasant, interesting, splendid, to "one of the best ever". So why not come along next year and see what you're missing. We have heard of a former walker who is in her 100th year so it must be good for you! The churches we used as checkpoints have variously been described as welcoming & friendly, encouraging, generous, as well as being diverse. One church, inspired by being a checkpoint last year, brought a group of walkers this year, which is another way of spreading the net more widely.

Why not create your own Virgin Giving page as an easy way of collecting your sponsorship enabling you to promote by facebook or e-mail and collect sponsorship from people you do not see regularly. See our website for more information. Full details of all you will need for the following year's walk are circulated at the end of January, and also published on the website. Congratulations to Stephen Rawlinson of Belvedere who had a full set of correct answers to the 2017 walk quiz, which you can find on the website if you want to check yours (or available from the office if you prefer).

We are extremely grateful to an anonymous donor who has made a substantial contribution towards our funding gap for 2017. A donation of £8,000 funds an entire local project for 2 years, whilst £2,000 funds Unlock's contribution for a year. Any donation, however small, is extremely welcome.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE SOMEONE FROM UNLOCK TO COME AND TALK AT YOUR CHURCH, OR SPEAK AT A CHURCH EVENT THEN PLEASE CONTACT US AND WE WILL SEE WHAT WE CAN ARRANGE.

CLAY CROSSES

In the ceramics group we did, there was some left over clay and I asked what would happen to it. The leader said it would be thrown away. I asked if I could have it and I sat and moulded it into small stones and made the shape of the cross in each one.

When they had been fired, the people in craft and chat asked what I was going to do with them and I said I'm going to get them blessed then anyone who would like one can have one. They're small enough to fit in your purse or a pocket and it's just a reminder that God is with you wherever you are.

I had them blessed then forgot they were in my bag. One of the young mums who comes to the group came in late, and she said, "I've come for my stone, have you brought them?"

Everyone took a stone (some took more for family members). I know it's only a small thing, but my heart soars to know that several people are walking around the estate knowing that God is with them.

PEOPLE LEARNING TO TAKE CARE OF ONE ANOTHER

Sam went over to Patricia's today and did some Pollyfillering. He had to go out for more and got talking to an electrician working on the doors at Sainsbury's, bought a length of cable from him for £1 and wired Patricia's cooker up and she tells me it is working! She is thrilled to bits. He plans to go tomorrow to paint her bathroom. This is the man who was lying drunk in the street last year and has a record longer than the number of books in the Old & New Testaments combined. This is a man who has been learning and growing through Unlock work.

'TOGETHER IN TOTTENHAM'

THE 35TH UNLOCK LONDON WALK, 28 APRIL 2018

The 2018 London Walk is revisiting a corner of north west London which was on the 21st Walk 'Palace and Peacemakers'. Fourteen years later much has changed and much has stayed the same in Tottenham. Our 7½ mile route around Bruce Grove, Tottenham Hale, the High Road, Seven Sisters and West Green will go along a canal towpath and an old Roman Road, several green parks as well as by a retail park, and past interesting buildings old, new and in-between. The very new includes the site of a skyscraper planned for Hale Village and a world class football stadium being built by Tottenham Hotspur. The very old includes a 12th century church and 16th century manor house.

The churches we visited before are still going strong but we are going to new ones (except one which is now in a different location). Two of the churches we're visiting this time are very new; one is the first new build Church of England church in London for 40 years, 'St Francis at the Engine Room' in the Hale Village development. We heard about the dream/vision for the other new church when we visited the big Broadwater Farm Estate and its community centre in 2004. Since then prayer and perseverance has led to 'Church on the Farm' in the heart of the estate.

What hasn't changed over the years is the commitment and love in action that the local

churches have, reaching out to their multi-cultural and vibrant community through often tough conditions and difficult events, through Christians together in Tottenham and as the 'Pray Haringey' website (www.prayharingey.org.uk) puts it "one church, many congregations... together transforming Haringey."

I remember Bishop Peter Hall (Unlock's former chairperson) telling me in the run up to the 21st London Walk how impressed he was by how the churches in Tottenham work together and that the leaders knew each other well. It meant a lot from Bishop Peter who visited many churches and planned lots of Unlock Walks. As I have been putting together this coming London Walk, I too have been encouraged and inspired by the churches in Tottenham and hope you will be too. Come on the 35th London Unlock Walk – **Saturday 28th April 2018.**

Sarah W.I. (part of the Unlock Walk planning team).



If you know of any other people who would like to be put on the walk mailing list please let Unlock office know, having first obtained their written permission.

You can now collect your walk sponsorship or make a donation online via Virgin Giving.

uk. virgin money giving .com

LOVED & CARED FOR

It has been lovely these past few weeks in the craft & chat group listening to people open up about their lives and listening to their stories.

There have been some wonderful moments when I've really felt the Holy Spirit working... the time when one of the ladies talked about the struggles she has had to face in her life, and that she never imagined sitting around a table in a church hall feeling listened to, loved and cared for.

CHECKPOINT VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to support Unlock through the London walk, but are finding the walking a bit much these days, why not volunteer to represent Unlock at one of the churches on the walk route. Unlock checkpoint volunteers help everything to run smoothly. They are provided with clear instructions and an Unlock staff T-shirt, so that they can be easily identified. If you are interested in helping this way please contact the Unlock Office.

UNLOCK GOODIES

Unlock Goodies – Unlock T shirts and baseball caps in assorted sizes and colours available from the Unlock office for £6 plus P&P. Also we now have stylus pens in purple or silver & black which will be on sale at the walk or available from the office at £1.50 each plus P&P.



TOMB GRABBER!

We did a Good Friday Ark, and were hoping to make an Easter Garden outside; however it rained heavily so we relocated to the chapel. Wow how wonderful; we had the cross draped in purple, and we made a tomb. Just as we were about to put the 'stone' across, Jessie- Mae (aged 2) came running up and laid La-La her teletubbie gently inside. I am sure I heard Jesus chuckle!

If you would be willing to receive your newsletter by Email in future to save Unlock postage then please send an Email to office@unlock-urban.org.uk

FINANCE

TREASURER'S REPORT 2017

Like many small charities, Unlock has seen a reduction in income over the past year. Despite this, we ended the last completed financial year (2016) with a modest surplus of £5277, although the majority of this surplus was restricted for funding specific local projects. Our core general funding ended with only a small surplus of just under £200. We received total income of £61449 (plus £573 gain on investment), which was down by about 13% compared with the previous year. We managed to reduce outgoings by almost 3% to £56,745. General donations were down by about a quarter and income from the London Walk was

also down by £1602 (6%) at £24,994. We are very grateful for a significant one-off donation to our Virgin Money Giving account, which helped offset some of the falling income.

Our current budget (for 2017) predicts a significant deficit of £11000 if we are able to achieve all activities that are planned. We are confident that we can cover this as a one-off from surpluses build up over the last few years but such a deficit is not sustainable in the longer term.

Unlock has continued to develop new local partnership projects and others are under consideration. Traditionally, Unlock funds 50%

of the cost of local projects from general core funding. It has become increasingly difficult to attract core funding and we are looking at other models of local partnership funding. Currently, Sheffield Methodist Circuit is fully funding a project and The Bible Society is providing funding for the Hull project. Core funding continues to cover the cost of supervision and administrative support for the local projects and is essential in the development of new projects, promoting the work of Unlock and ensuring that Unlock resources are freely available.

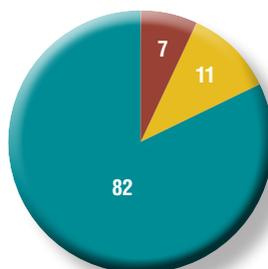
The London walk is a really enjoyable day out for several hundred people and an important way to promote the work of Unlock. It remains a significant part of our funding, despite recently falling income. It looks as if income from the walk this year has probably fallen a little once again. Thanks, as always, to walkers, sponsors, host churches and the Walk Planning Team. Will you come and walk with us in 2018 and perhaps invite a few friends for a grand day out?

On behalf of Council, I would like to thank everyone who supports Unlock in so many different ways. Please spread the word about Unlock wherever and whenever you can. We are happy to provide information and materials if you wish to promote Unlock amongst your friends or your church community. The office staff are always happy to assist. I would like to express my personal thanks to our office staff, Jenny and Kevin, for all their hard work over the past year and their commitment to promoting Unlock.

David Tyers (Treasurer)

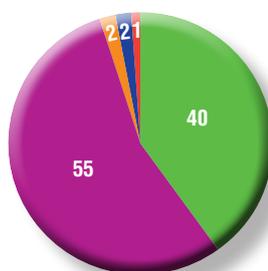
EXPENDITURE 2016

Governance Costs	£4,333	7%
Fundraising	£6,104	11%
Charitable Activities	£46,308	82%
£56,745	TOTAL	



INCOME 2016

Sponsored Walk	£24,994	40%
Donations	£34,474	55%
Grants	£1,000	2%
Investments (interest)	£981	2%
Gain in value of Investments	£573	1%
£62,022	TOTAL	



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giftaid it but what is giftaid?

Simply, for those of you who have not yet heard of 'Gift aid', it is a system that enables charities to claim an extra 25p from the Inland Revenue for every £1 donated to them by a UK taxpayer.

9 in every 10 donations received by Unlock are NOT made under giftaid.

If you pay tax then please consider whether you can tick the gift-aid box on the registration form when you make your donation.

Giftaid will not cost YOU anything!

All it means is that we can apply to the Inland Revenue for an extra 25p for every £1 that you give towards our work.

To qualify for Gift aid, you must pay enough tax to cover the amount that will be claimed back by the charity/charities that you give to – so if you give £10 you must have paid £2.50 in tax!

TRAINING

Unlock provides training in “Working with the Bible in Non-book Culture”, for those preparing for, or engaged in, urban mission. If you would like to know more about this, please request our training brochure from the National Office.

LEGACY GIVING

Would you consider leaving a gift to Unlock in your will. This doesn't have to be complicated and it's possible to make many types of different gifts. Full details are available on our website at www.unlock-urban.org.uk/support_legacies.php or if you would like to talk with someone about leaving Unlock a donation in your will please contact the Unlock National Office.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE YOUR CHURCH TO SUPPORT UNLOCK, EITHER THROUGH THE LONDON WALK, OR AS PART OF THEIR MISSIONARY GIVING, YOU CAN FIND UNLOCK PROMOTIONAL RESOURCES ON THE UNLOCK WEBSITE, NEXT TO THE INFORMATION ABOUT THE NEXT UNLOCK WALK.

2017 walk income has reached £22,885
Great effort!
Thank you everyone!

ACHIEVEMENTS

LOCAL PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS

Town End Farm, Sunderland –

Jacqueline Atkinson continues her work for a further year.

Birmingham – CO pays a visit to Saltley Trust to discuss future project.

Hull – Bethany Gray finishes and Helen McGowan is appointed.

Woodhouse, Sheffield – Siggie Parratt-Halbert continues her work.

Hastings – CO pays a visit to discuss possible local project, funding is secured and Lynette Golnaraghi is appointed.

Byker & Walker, Newcastle – CO pays a visit to discuss possible further project, interviews take place and Phill James is appointed.

Morecambe – CO pays a visit to discuss possible local project.

CO meets with each worker to review progress.

TRAINING PROVIDED

CO runs workshop

- Queen's College, Birmingham

PARTNERSHIP WORK

CO attends

- Social Diversity Workshop, Northampton
- Renewal & Reform Estates Evangelism conference, Leicestershire
- Church Action on Poverty National Consultation, Manchester

PUBLICATIONS

CO meets regularly with

- Director of Urban Theology Union, Sheffield.
- Representatives of The Bible Society.
- Church Army staff.

Resources published on the Unlock website include:-

- Keep Calm and...
- Looking at Homelessness – Really Looking

EVENTS

The 34th Unlock London Walk entitled Bala, Battersea & Clapham takes place, including showcasing our partnership with the Bible Society. Another fine day

with just over 700 walkers. Siggie Parratt-Halbert (Sheffield worker) & Phill James (Newcastle worker) run an activity on the theme of Homelessness. Walkers are invited to reflect on a series of case histories including the stories of some biblical characters who spent time as homeless people. Also there is a prayer station focussing reflection on the recent gang attacks in the area.

The walk raises £22,885 towards the work of Unlock.

The next London walk will be on 28th April 2018.

Unlock National Council meet twice.

Unlock National Gathering held at Rydal Hall takes the form of a review of the way in which we deliver Unlock's way of working. Entitled “applying the WD40 or changing the locks?” over a period of 24 hours staff, workers and Council together with Unlock local teams, friends and partners get together for a time of sharing food, taking time to reflect, pray and listen to God and each other.

Unlock Office Staff retreat takes place at Yorkshire Wildlife Park enjoying the beauty of creation.

CHAIR'S ANNUAL REPORT

A year ago we spent some time thinking and praying about whether we, Unlock, were going in the right direction, or if we need to change in some way. There was no crisis, but after 12 years developing work in a certain way, it was important to ask lots of 'stakeholders' what they thought about how it was going.

It was fascinating to be asking honest questions and to find ourselves with some completely unexpected answers as we came together for last years 'Gathering' - the one time each year that the Council/Trustees and staff and local workers get together, on that occasion with some partner guests from amongst our strategic partners.

As a result of that very busy and stimulating, and as I say, somewhat surprising time, the Council with Dawn have decided we will tack! There is a brief article describing our conclusion on **page 3**. Whilst in terms of what we believe and the principles which are Unlock's way of working are not 'blown about', we are a small vessel on a very big sea and we have to go where the wind blows, or at least use it to tack to places, some of which we wouldn't necessarily expect to 'visit'. Analogies have their limits; but it seems the Holy Spirit has - we trust - been in the winds and we've found ourselves, in recent times, appointing a new worker in Hastings, looking for a worker in a very different type of 'project' for us in Birmingham, trying afresh with a fourth version of work in Hull with a church on a very exciting journey back to basics. Oh, and a new appointment in Byker & Walker in Newcastle too. This is all very encouraging to us - we are learning a new level of trust and

freedom in how we allow work to develop.

We are sticking generally with our basic model, or at least starting with it - one day a week in a location, paid for half locally and half by Unlock, supported by a local group with supervision and resourcing from (our miniscule) centre - but the variety is now greater, and actually, we are supporting more work than ever before.

That success means our finances are under pressure. A decade of austerity is taking its toll on all of our finances - but much more so on most of the people we work with in the cities and churches you will read about here-in. Our partnership with the Bible Society is a lifeline, but your continued support and prayer is our backbone. By far the largest contribution to our finances comes from individuals through the walk and other donations; and be assured, we are an extremely lean organisation - a very light and manoeuvrable little craft we are.

So, I really hope you have enjoyed and been encouraged by what you've read before you get to me on the back page! If you have, and you can make a contribution, or an additional, contribution please do; and whether you can do that or not, please pray for Unlock - please keep putting the wind in our sails.

Andrew Dorton



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Unlock, is a charity established to equip Christians in inner city and outer housing estates to be more effective as they share the Gospel of Jesus Christ in their own areas. Unlock employs between four and eight paid staff including a network of workers placed in inner city locations across the UK. The charity is overseen by its National Council which meets three times each year. The legal document of the charity is its trust deed, dated 25th May 1972.

Registered charity no. 313454



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Post (we are happy to do this if it is your preferred form of communication)

I enclose a donation to Unlock's work in deprived urban communities in the UK.

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