

Welcome to Christchurch Hitchin



World Concern

Led by the Spirit

Working in the Community

Bringing People to Christ

Lideta,
Addis Ababa,
Ethiopia.



(Cover Picture) Christchurch, in partnership with World Vision and several other churches across Britain, is linked with Lideta, a township in the heart of Addis Ababa in Ethiopia, which houses a community of 400,000 people. The Lideta community and World Vision together have produced a detailed programme of development. Money raised during the period of the partnership will go towards providing for education and training for children and young adults; health education (in particular support for government projects in HIV/AIDS); assistance to set up small businesses; improved housing, water and electricity supply; training for those with managerial skills to help the community become self-reliant and finally support for business initiatives that provide employment.

Child Sponsorship. All Children have the right to life dignity, justice and hope. You can change a child's life by becoming a child sponsor. A monthly fee of £18 will ensure your child is well fed, able to attend school regularly, with a uniform and school books, and receive medical attention if required. It will also benefit his/her family and the community in which he/she lives. By two way correspondence you can get to know your sponsored child and the environment he/she lives in. The Lideta Team has produced a separate booklet about sponsoring a child.

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Junior Mission for All :-

Junior Mission for All is an opportunity for young people to become involved in helping those less fortunate than themselves overseas. They are given a box and a record book and collect a small amount of money each week from friends and relatives. The children learn about the projects that JMA supports through reading their Rainbow magazine which is distributed 3 times a year. Examples of these are: helping train local preachers in Lithuania, improving schools in Zimbabwe, paying for an HIV/AIDS worker in Ghana, helping the Church in Cuba rebuild after Hurricane Dennis, paying a doctor in Sierra Leone.

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Christian Aid :-

There is a surge of energy in April and May, organising cake and unwanted gift stalls, a plant stall and a Quiz night. These take place on the second Saturday in May, a day before Christian Aid Week officially begins. During Christian Aid Week itself there is a Coffee Morning at a home of a Church member for friends and neighbours. All in all, the annual Street collections including a few donations, Christchurch contributed in 2008 over £1000 to the Hitchin and villages total of over £17,000.

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