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# September 2010 Newsletter

Welcome to Purley Chase Centre Newsletter in which we will be keeping you up to date with what is happening here at the centre.

## Events coming up over the next few months:



**Consider the Lillies**  
17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> September



**Is the Truth out there?**  
4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> October



**Beyond the Rainbow**  
8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> October



**Young Families**  
29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> October

**If you would like to receive copies of the most recent brochure for yourself or to pass onto friends then please let us know.**

Hi everyone

I hope you all had a good summer, it's been a busy time for us and a big thank-you goes out to those of you who have attended the events here over the last few months. Over the next few months we have a variety of events lead by Rita Russell, Mary Duckworth, Helen Brown, Jack Dunnion and David Gaffney which we hope will be of interest to you, or if you just want to get away from the stress of life for a few days we would be happy to welcome you here at Purley. There is of course the Young Families week-end 29-31<sup>st</sup> October which is already filling up so if you want to come please book early.

Anne

### **Are you a Helper?!**

Greetings! Religion should be about changing ourselves and becoming more loving, more compassionate, wiser. But unfortunately, religion has always been used by some to attain status. The truths of our scriptures should be used to help us all - ministry and congregations alike - to become more serving in humility to God and neighbour. To be truly useful, we have to overcome aspects of selfishness and any desire to control others at the 'personal' level. This will inevitably, by searching ourselves, lead to a kind of inner warfare carried out within our own mind and life. Hopefully, the good side of our nature will win the battle.

Please note: You are about to read some Sikh scripture for which it is customary to cover the head:

*Should one perform a million ritual acts and of these be proud, they leave him only fatigued, and are of little avail. .... With all a man's efforts, should his self not turn compassionate, how may he have access to the Divine Portal. (Sikhism, Adi Granth, Gauri Sukhmani, M.5, p 278.)*

Once, having been asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, Jesus replied, "The kingdom of God does not come with your careful observation, nor will people say, 'Here it is,' or 'There it is,' because the kingdom of God is within you." (Luke 17: 20 & 21).

I wish you constructive thoughts and action on the subject. Rev. David Gaffney