

Christmas Alone 2006

Janet Bird

Volunteers are needed to help make Christmas Day special for anybody living in our area who, for whatever reason, is facing spending Christmas Day alone. There is an invitation, no strings attached, to anyone who would otherwise be on their own on Christmas Day, to join the party at Sele School, either as a guest or as a helper, or if they are housebound or prefer to be alone, to receive Christmas lunch in their own home

A traditional lunch will be served followed by entertainment and tea. Transport will be laid on for those who need it. Churches Together makes no charge but obviously needs all the help it can get from the community and all the churches to make the day a success.

Financial help is needed together with gifts, cakes, shortbread and mince pies. We need help with preparation, cooking and serving food, transport and entertainment.

Please contact those listed below to volunteer or for more details

1. Help Beforehand

a) Making cakes, mince pies, shortbread. Please contact **Elizabeth Hope (558586)**

b) Providing table decorations or small presents. Please contact **Linda Moore (589909)**

c) Holding a coffee morning to raise funds or making a donation. Please contact **Cheryl Jackson (583958) 10 Holly Grove Road, Bramfield, SG14 2HQ**

2. Help at Sele School on Christmas Eve Morning—Sunday 24th December 9.30-11.30

a) Packing teas for housebound, laying tables and packing mini hampers. Please contact **Libby Shillito (583979)** or **Linda Moore (589909)**

b) Preparing food, peeling vegetables etc. Please contact **Janet Bird (587544)**

1. Christmas Day

(All helpers at the school are invited to enjoy a meal with the guests)

Please telephone **Janet Bird (587544)** to **volunteer to help with:-**

a) Taking a meal to the housebound at 12 noon or helping to provide entertainment.

b) Staying all or part of the day to cook lunch, welcome, serve, serve tea or wash up.

(i) 9am -12 noon (including some cooking of food)

(ii) 11am -1 p.m. (including serving food and washing up)

(iii) 1pm -4 p.m. (including clearing up)

c) Providing transport to and from Sele School: 12 noon -12.30p.m. and 3.00- 4.00 p.m.

d) Providing entertainment at the school.

We would like to reach as many people as possible, so if you know of anybody who might like to be included application forms will be available in all churches, Hertford Citizens Advice Bureau and Hertford Library.

Completed forms should be returned to:- **Janet Bird, 140 North Road, Hertford**, or placed in the box in Hertford Library which will be available from until mid December.

