

THE VALLEY WALK 2018

Please give this form to the Steward in the Church at the start of your walk.

- 9.15 **Turnworth** Register with a Steward before start of the Service
9.30 Service
Depart for Houghton via footpath
This part of the walk is for walkers with walking boots (or hard wearing trainers if the weather has been dry). It goes across fields and with some fairly steep uphill sections. It is probably the most strenuous section of the whole walk. It is approximately 3 miles.
- 11.10 **Houghton** Register with a Steward before start of the Service
11.25 Depart for Stickland
This is about a mile gently downhill along the road. It is suitable for all walkers. There's an alternative parallel route through fields.
- Stickland** Tea/coffee and toilet facilities are available
12.00 Register with a Steward before start of the Service
12.15 Depart for Clenston.
This section of the walk is also about a mile. It is on the road, with no alternative, and is easy walking but children and dogs need to be kept well under control because of traffic going down the valley road.
- 12.45 **Clenston** Register with a Steward before start of the Service
1.00 Depart for Whitechurch
This part of the walk is about two miles and is mainly over fields and stiles, with short uphill sections.
- 2.00 Lunch break in Whitechurch churchyard/ Old School Room
There will be tea/coffee available as well as toilet facilities
- 2.35 **Whitechurch** Register with a Steward before start of the Service
2.50 Depart for Milton Abbas
The remainder of the walk is across fields and stiles with a steep descent via a footpath just before arriving at Milton Abbas Church. It is about 3 miles.
- 4.10 **Milton Abbas** Check in with the Steward before the final Service followed by some refreshments

I understand that I take part in the walk at my own risk.

(or, if under 16) I am the parent /guardian of..... and I

give permission for him/her to walk the 'Valley Walk'

I/he/she intend(s) to walk from to

NAME

ADDRESS

EMAIL

TEL NUMBER

Signed Date

Please tick this box if you expect to make a donation

It will help the charities if you are able to GiftAid your donation. **Please ask for the GiftAid form.**

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Please make sure you wear appropriate footwear and carry a rucksack with waterproofs for wet weather and a sunhat and sun block in case it is hot. Carry plenty of liquid for drinking, snacks for munching on the way and a packed lunch.

THANK YOU FOR BEING WILLING TO TAKE PART - ENJOY THE DAY!

We hope to raise some money for:

- The TRUST Children's Home in rural south India which was set up after the 2004 Tsunami to look after children left destitute/ orphaned by this disaster. There are around 80 children being cared for and the D'Silva family in Stickland visit there regularly and can tell you all about it.

www.TRUSTchildren.org.uk

- Double-Joy Children's Farm in Bondo, south-western Kenya, close to Uganda and Lake Victoria. This was started by an English teacher and cares for around 90 orphans suffering from the effects of HIV/Aids and malaria. John and Sue Close, in Houghton, have close ties and have visited Double-Joy. www.double-joy.org.uk

People in the benefice have supported these children for many years and our help makes a very real difference to their lives.

(If you would like to raise money via sponsorship rather than donation, please ask for a sponsorship form.)

Whether you walk for part of the day or the whole day it would be good if we could all meet up at Milton Abbas at 4.10 for the final Service and for tea afterwards.

For people who are unable to walk but who wish to be part of the day, we hope you will join us for as many of the Services as possible and for tea.

We hope and pray for fine weather and that the day is a day of fun, prayer and celebration, bringing as many people as possible together from Turnworth, the Winterborne Valley and Milton Abbas.

If you can arrange your own transport for either end of your walk, please do, otherwise please ask about a lift.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

The Valley Churches Walk Saturday 12th May 2018



Join us for a family day of fun and fellowship as we make a walk from church to church through our benefice.



Help us to support the children at DoubleJoy and TRUST Children's Homes.



More details from:

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Please let Alan Ryan or Richard D'Silva know in advance (if possible) that you hope to join the walk so that there is enough tea prepared at Milton Abbas for the end of the day!! Thank you!

The Valley Walk was started in 2003 and has taken place every year since then – so this will be the 16th walk.