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UK Jesus Centres provide daily help and friendship for every kind of person

£10

**means 180
cups of tea**

Donated by Shirley from Brighton
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Heartcry
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£5
means 10
breakfasts

Donated by Andy from Leicester
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knowing one more tummy's
been filled: **&LOVE**

“My disability has isolated me for years,
but I feel accepted here. It's been good
to make lots of friends at the Jesus
Centre. I am doing a catering course at
college, so the work I do in the kitchen
here isn't too difficult.”

Alex has been very deaf since childhood.
He is a trained volunteer at Coventry Jesus
Centre, working in the kitchen.

Alex



What are Jesus Centres?



Jesus Centres are places where the love of Jesus is expressed daily in worship, friendship and help for every type of person.

Thousands of people have already been touched by the work of Jesus Centres in Central London, Coventry and Northampton, with work started on a Jesus Centre in Sheffield. Our aim is that in the future Jesus Centres will be found in many major towns and cities around the UK.



Art in the right place: Jesus Centres run a variety of creative groups

A place to find
help

Jesus Centres offer a wide range of support for all kinds of people. The disadvantaged and homeless find a particular welcome at Jesus Centres. They find a hand of friendship and a listening ear as well as access to other services and agencies in the locality. Jesus Centres have a drop-in with subsidised food, showers, hair-cutting and clothes-washing as well as mentoring schemes, skills training and group activities to give people a better chance in life.

A place to find
friends

Typically, Jesus Centres feature a café, lounge area and information point. Reasonably priced food is usually available as well as access to ICT facilities, counselling and training rooms.

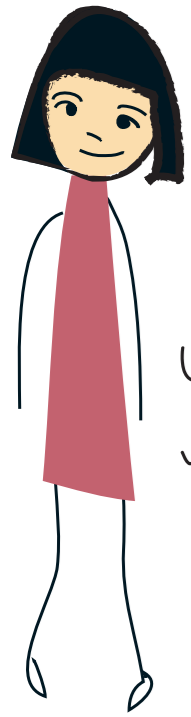
People can drop in to meet friends and have a cup of coffee or just pause in a busy day for a few quiet moments in the prayer room.

A place to find
God

Jesus Centres are where the local Jesus Army meets and worships – and not just on Sundays! A daily programme of church and social events take place at the Centres. The buildings also contain several other meeting rooms and venues which are available for use by other groups.

£50
funds a group
English class

Donated by Debbie from Birmingham
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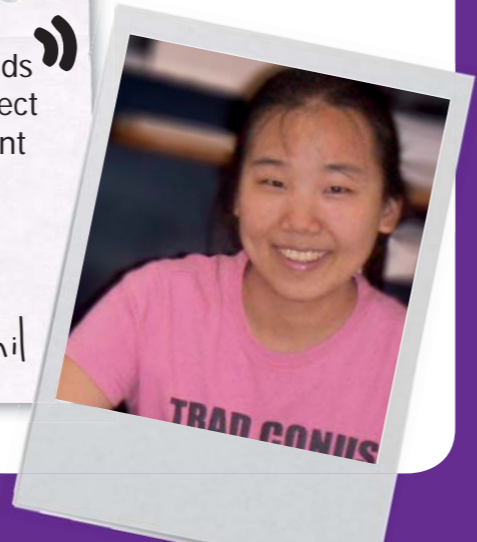


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Letting someone be
understood at last: **&LOVE**

“In our group we have become good friends and we share our deep feelings. We respect one another and I am much more confident now. Our class leader is really good at listening and helping us to share.”
Jinshil attends an English conversation class at London Jesus Centre.

Jinshil



The Heartcry Vision



Jesus Centres are part of the vision of the Jesus Army to really make a difference in the lives of UK people in need. This is expressed as “The Heartcry Vision”. Here it is.

To provide Jesus Centres in towns and cities around the UK, with a Christian ethos and atmosphere which are a positive addition to the services and facilities available in the locality.

To build capacity on a holistic “whole person” basis by offering training and specific facilities to increase life skills.

To address all kinds of needs including social, practical and spiritual.

To provide a caring and listening service available to any, without prejudice.

To provide a “gateway” to other agencies and service providers and work constructively with them to complement their services.

To use the skills, experience and availability of volunteers to benefit the volunteers themselves.

To give a high quality and user-friendly service for many people to participate in and benefit from.



Ear to ear: Jesus Centre cafes are places of friendly welcome

&100
provides 4 weeks
of volunteer training

Donated by Jon from Sheffield
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helping someone to help
someone: **&10VE**

“I've always liked coming to the Jesus Centre, but I like it even more now I've left old habits behind. I enjoy the friendship, and being able to join in with everything.”
Pete was one of the first people to visit the Bridge drop-in at Coventry Jesus Centre. Six years later he was baptised as a Christian and then became a volunteer.

Pete



Where are the Jesus Centres?

Coventry Jesus Centre, based on a former car showroom, was the first major Jesus Centre; it opened in 2002. Its easily reached position inside the city's ring road gives it city-wide scope.



Northampton Jesus Centre opened at the end of 2004 in a Grade II listed former cinema. It is prominently positioned in Northampton's central Abington Square.



London Jesus Centre was opened in 2008. Based on a former convent, it is just steps away from Britain's busiest street - Oxford Street.



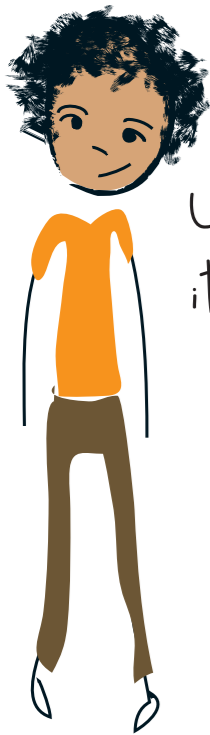
A building has been purchased for **Sheffield Jesus Centre** - the work of turning it into a Jesus Centre has already begun.



Round table: Jesus Centres run a wide variety of support groups



The vision is to have Jesus Centres all around the UK - could there be one somewhere near you one day?



Lending a little support where it's needed: **&LOVE**

&250
pays a support worker for a week

Donated by Barry from Nottingham
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“Five years ago I was homeless and on drugs. Val, my support worker, got me into a two-bedroom flat. My son was able to live with me there. Two years later Val helped me move to another flat and my daughter was able to live with us, too. Now I've been helped to move to a three-bedroom house; it's great. Val helped so much, sorting bills, visiting me and giving emotional support. I've been clean from heroin for three years.”

Gwen is really pleased with her new home. She was helped through Coventry Jesus Centre's bond scheme and the backing of her support worker there.

Gwen



What happens in Jesus Centres?



Recycle: Coventry Jesus Centre runs a bike fixing service

All the Jesus Centres offer a very wide range of activities and services – from mentoring to mums and tots, from maths to money-management, from healing groups to haircuts.

Each Jesus Centre has a drop-in, aimed primarily at supporting the disadvantaged and homeless or vulnerably housed. In Coventry it's "the Bridge"; in London it's "the Welcome"; in Northampton it's "the Step Up." Here's what some visitors to the Step Up in Northampton said about it:

“The Jesus Centre has helped me build confidence and rebuild my family life.”

(22 year old man)

“I can use the phone to get hold of my social worker.”

(18 year old woman)

“Step Up has kept me off the streets.”

(18 year old man)

“I've met new people and got to know God.”

(21 year old woman)

“I've made new friends and been helped with loads of stuff.”

(17 year old man)

“If it wasn't for the Step Up I wouldn't be where I am today”

(21 year old woman)

“If it wasn't for the Step Up I'd be dead.”

(21 year old man)

“Step Up stopped me getting into trouble.”

(30 year old man)

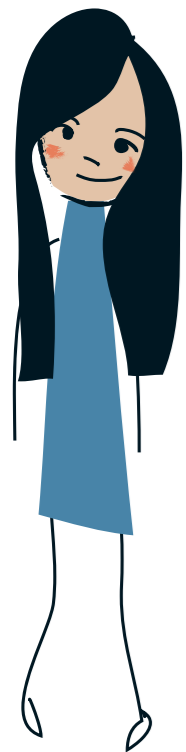
Some of the things that happen...

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| Drop-in | Ex-prisoners group | Legal Clinic |
| Cafe with public computer access | Habit Breaker | New to UK |
| Creative Drama | Help with Anxiety and Depression | Money Worries |
| Expressive Art | Mum's and tots | Hair Cuts |
| Multiracial Night | Over 60's | Bond Scheme |
| Poetry Evenings | E.S.O.L | Faithbuilders |
| Parenting Skills | Improve Your English | Healing Rays |
| Stress management | I.T. Skills | New Searchers |
| Women's group | Maths | Prayer Group |
| | | and more... |

£500

three weeks' worth of food and toiletries for a Jesus Centre drop-in

Donated by Lorna from Liverpool
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Seeing rosy cheeks appear on her chops: **£10VE**

“I really enjoy working as a volunteer at the Jesus Centre. Since we started the 'Talk English' group I have met many people from other countries and made lots of friends. It's great to see the visitors to the group gaining confidence and learning how to speak 'everyday' English. We have a lot of fun, sometimes tears when someone tells their personal story.”

Jenny runs a New to UK course at Northampton Jesus Centre which has been very successful in helping people from other countries find friends and help with speaking English.



Jenny

how can I help?



You can help the work of the Jesus Centres by making a donation. We are grateful for all your gifts, whether large or small.



Face value: many, many people have been helped through Jesus Centres

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