



Dear Unlock friends,

Greenbelt was, as ever, brilliant with the added dimension this year of camping in a group with other Unlockers which meant plenty of time to hear their stories, develop ideas and, that most holy of activities, eat together! The other Unlock folk at Greenbelt were Steve the Unlock worker from Sheffield, and his wife Janet, Fiona the Unlock worker from Hull and Tim and Sarah who are on the National Council.



On the Saturday morning we held a picnic for anyone connected to Unlock which was well attended (amazing what free strawberries and cream can do) and each of the workers gave a short outline of their work. Tim and Sarah talked about Unlock nationally, the role of the national council and the Unlock walk in London. This led to meeting Siku, the co-author of the Manga Bible (a brilliant cartoon Bible) who gave me a copy and permission to use it with any groups we work with. <http://www.themangabible.com>

Meanwhile back in Liverpool we had the first meeting of the support group for the project, which was very affirming of the work we are doing and I am very grateful to the group for agreeing to meet again in October to look over some materials I am working on.

I have approached one group of women that attend a community meal at Christ Church and they have expressed an interest learning more about the Bible alongside basic cookery skills. They are all un-churched mums. I am working on a course for them and I am really pleased to have Mavis agree to be a co-leader for this course.

The Mother's and Toddlers groups were identified as a possible source for forming a group. I am spending time meeting the leaders and members to find out if they are interested. I am also seeking to work with some community groups at Liverpool Lighthouse as their community worker felt this would be a good step for them.

I have also done a presentation to the Diocesan Priority Strategy Group and prepared display and worship materials for the Unlock 'gathering' that takes place at Bawtry Hall this weekend.

I am researching Baptism preparation materials and would be grateful for your insights. Have you seen or used any good ones? What makes them good? Are there any around that you

particularly dislike? What basic ingredients do you think they should have? If you are running any baptism prep sessions, could I sit in?

With thanks for your interest and prayer,

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