



Minsteracres is situated in stunning countryside on the borders of Northumberland and County Durham in the midst of the land of the Northern Saints.

Reaching Minsteracres

PUBLIC TRANSPORT: train or bus to **Riding Mill** – connection to East Coast main line in Newcastle and west coast services in Carlisle.

CAR: Minsteracres is easily accessible by car just off the A68 – 40 mins from Newcastle and 40 mins from Durham.

If you have any queries about your journey, please call us on **01434 673 248** or email info@minsteracres.org

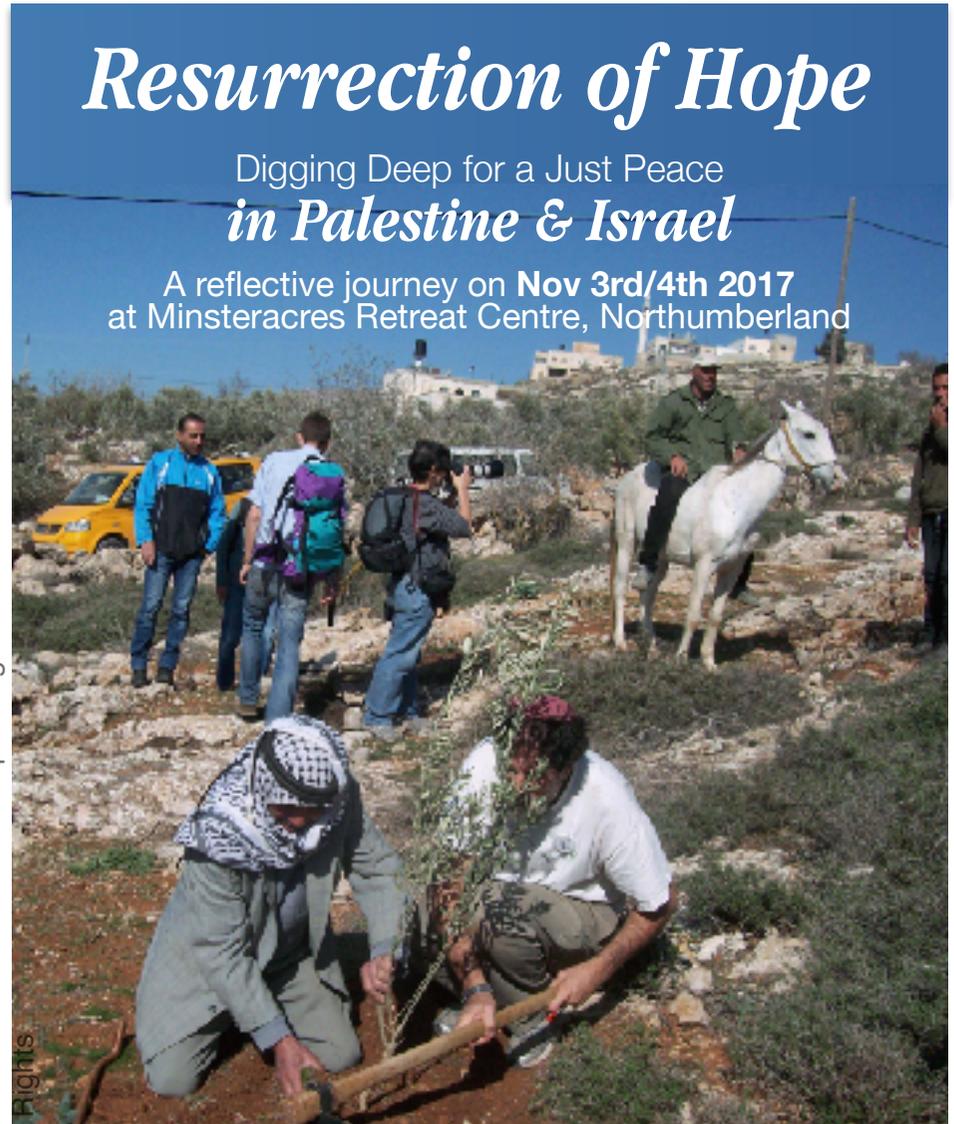


Resurrection of Hope

Digging Deep for a Just Peace
in Palestine & Israel

A reflective journey on **Nov 3rd/4th 2017**
at Minsteracres Retreat Centre, Northumberland

Palestinians and Israelis replanting olive trees with Rabbis for Human Rights



- *Time travel back to 1917 and the Balfour Declaration*
- *Journey through the 50-year-Occupied Territories*
- *Look forward in hope from this Kairos Moment*

It is possible to come for • part of a day, • one whole day, • 2 days on a non-residential basis, • or 2 days with one or two nights accommodation

– see booking form.

Limited residential places – book early to avoid disappointment.

Friday November 3rd 2017

10am Walk for Justice

Assemble at Minsteracres in walking gear, bringing a packed lunch.

Enjoy a 6 or 10 mile walk in solidarity with the walkers arriving in Jerusalem.

En route hear about villages in the West Bank & Galilee.

4pm • Tea at Minsteracres

Free time

6pm • Supper

7.15pm • **Gaza Life is stronger than Death** – talk by **Mary Lucas** from CAFOD

8.45pm • **Reflection**

Professor Mary Grey is an eco feminist Roman Catholic theologian with a particular interest in Palestine and Israel. She chairs the Living Stones of the Holy Land Trust. She is a trustee of the Balfour Project and a contributor to Kairos Britain, 'A Time for Action'.

Mary Lucas is the Country Representative for the Middle East at CAFOD responsible for CAFOD's longer term development work in Israel, occupied Palestinian territory and Lebanon.

Brian Brown is a retired Methodist Minister, born in South Africa and active in the anti-apartheid movement. Exiled to this country he became Africa Secretary for the British Council of Churches. In recent years he has used his South African experience to support the Kairos movement for a just peace in Palestine and Israel.

Saturday November 4th 2017

10.00am • **Keynote address by Mary Grey**

'British Christians: part of the problem or part of the solution'

11.00am • **Coffee**

11.30am • **Workshops 1st choice**

1. Remembering led by **Mary Grey**

Putting together the painful fragments in a new way that makes just and healed relationship possible

2. Truth Telling led by **Brian Brown**

Documented truth; social truth; truth of experience; hearing the stories; inhabiting the truth of the other

3. Justice Making led by **Charlotte Marshall**

There can be no genuine reconciliation without structural justice. In this Kairos moment can we contribute to achieving this?

4. Forgiveness led by **Veronica Whitty**

Lessons from those with the courage to forgive, seeking the justice that restores community

1pm • **Lunch**

2.15pm • **Workshops 2nd choice**

3.30pm • **Reflection**

4pm • **Tea and close**

Charlotte Marshall, formerly with the Christian Aid team for Israel and the Occupied Territories, is now the Advocacy Worker with Kairos Britain.

Veronica Whitty did her MA thesis on Hannah Arendt at Bradford University's School of Peace Studies. Hannah Arendt was Jewish, born in Germany but escaped the holocaust and lived in America. She was a political theorist and Veronica is particularly interested in her principles of forgiveness and natality. Veronica explored how these might be applied to Northern Ireland

The Resurrection of Hope is a joint initiative of Peace and Justice in the Holy Land NE and Hexham Kairos
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