

Redefining prosperity

In the face of this unprecedented economic crisis, it is important for faith communities to reflect on the many challenges that we are now faced with – and which are likely to have profound impacts on families, communities, jobs, housing, financial services and wider economies.

The conference will bring together people of faith engaged at all levels within the churches and other faith communities, in responding to the economic crisis – and in particular to examine the following questions:

- What are the immediate and longer-term impacts of the economic crisis for those directly affected?
- Do we need to fundamentally rethink our idea of prosperity?
- What can be done to build a more just, equal and sustainable society and economy in future?
- What positive contribution can faith communities make?

Ann Pettifor is best known for her leadership of the global Jubilee 2000 campaign to cancel the debts of the poorest countries. In 2006, in 'The Coming First World Debt Crisis' she correctly predicted the global credit crunch. In 2008, she co-authored the Green New Deal.



Tim Jackson is Professor of Sustainable Development at the University of Surrey, and since 2004 has been a member of the Sustainable Development Commission, for whom he wrote 'Prosperity without Growth? – The transition to a sustainable economy', published in March 2009.



Cathy McCormack is a campaigner who lives in Easterhouse, Glasgow. In January, Cathy published 'The Wee Yellow Butterfly', the inspiring story of how, from unpromising beginnings, she has spent her life committed to seeking justice and finding fulfillment.



**CAP
Annual
Conference
2009**

Redefining prosperity

**St Marys Community
Centre
Bramall Lane
Sheffield**

10.30am – 4pm

Saturday 14 November 2009

with Anne Pettifor

Cathy McCormack

Professor Tim Jackson

Explore the way forward

How can your church stand alongside those affected by the recession? What does the church have to say about the economic crisis? Come along to Church Action on Poverty's annual conference and help us to explore some of the biggest questions facing the world today:

- Hear the voices of people living with poverty and exclusion, and the work CAP does with them
- Get involved in Church Action on Poverty campaigns and Poverty & Homelessness Action Week
- Share your own stories of how you can make a difference
- Hear from some leading experts who have a vision of how things could be done differently

"Prosperity for the few founded on ecological destruction and persistent social injustice is no foundation for a civilised society. Economic recovery is vital. Protecting people's jobs – and creating new ones – is absolutely essential. But we also stand in urgent need of a renewed sense of shared prosperity. A commitment to fairness and flourishing in a finite world."

Professor Tim Jackson, Sustainable Development Commission

Programme

- 10.30am Registration and refreshments
- 11.00am Welcome and opening worship
- 11.10am Voices from the edge:
- Working in the informal economy (Community Pride)
 - Asylum destitution (Assist)
 - The struggle for work (Thrive)
- 11.45am Redefining prosperity:
Tim Jackson, Sustainable Development Commission
- 12.30pm Lunch
- 1.30pm Workshops (participatory workshop options)
- Green New Deal – Ann Pettifor
 - Sustainable livelihoods – Greg Brown
 - Enough for All – Liam Purcell
- 2.30pm Economics as if people mattered:
Panel discussion, including:
- Anne Pettifor
 - Cathy McCormack
- 3.20pm Church Action on Poverty Annual General Meeting
- 3.45pm Closing worship
- 4.00pm Finish

Booking form

Please photocopy and complete one form per person.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Organisation (if you are representing one):

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

I would like to be considered for a **travel bursary** (limited number available)

Please send **accommodation** details

A donation of **£10 waged or £3 unwaged** will cover the conference which includes lunch. Please return this form, together with your donation (cheques payable to Church Action on Poverty), to the CAP office, Central Buildings, Oldham Street, Manchester M1 1JQ.

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