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The 100 Mile Walk





WHO IS DONNA? WHY IS SHE WALKING 100 MILES?

Donna Crowther is an active member of St. Marys' Church in Tetbury. She is a lone parent juggling part-time work and 4 sons. Her recreational pursuits are walking and bell ringing. Donna is 50 years old in January. She wants to celebrate her birthday by undertaking a challenge and by doing something which she enjoys but for a real purpose.

WHAT IS THE CHALLENGE AND PURPOSE OF THE WALK?

The challenge: to walk **100 miles** in **January** Donna's birth month. The purpose: to raise **£100,000 for refugees**. Donna cannot choose her birthday; neither can refugees choose when they must leave their homes.

IS DONNA WALKING ALONE? HOW LONG WILL THE WALK TAKE?

Others are walking with Donna for all or part of the way on this 9 day journey.

HOW WILL THE WALK RAISE £100,000?

Walkers will be sponsored and all sponsorship money raised will be match-funded 6 to 1 through the Community Partnership Scheme, Bread for the World (read more by visiting www.christianaid.org.uk/community-partnerships/community-partnerships-syrias-refugees). So if the walk raises £14,286 through sponsorship this will be made up to £100,000! We are confident that we can raise £100,000 - hopefully more.

WHERE AND WHEN DOES THE WALK START, AND CAN I SEE THEM OFF?

Please do come to the Big Brekkie on Saturday 12 January, at 7.30am at Christ Church (Tetbury) to give them a good and prayerful send-off.

WHAT IS THE ROUTE?

The walk starts and ends in Tetbury, Donna's home town, and goes through various villages and towns that have played a part in Donna's Christian life, including, Chalford, Cirencester, Leckhampton, Long Newnton, Northleach, Painswick, Shipton Moyne and Shipton Oliffe. Prayers will be said at each day's beginning and ending church. At the end church each day there will be tea and the bells will be rung.

WHERE AND WHEN DOES THE WALK END, AND CAN I COME?

Sunday 20 January at St, Marys', Tetbury, at 3 pm with a welcome tea, bells, and service for Christian Unity and yes, please do, you will be very welcome.

CAN I TAKE PART?

Yes, please do - **either**, join Donna and 14 other core walkers who intend to walk the whole 100 miles **or** join in as many days as you are able. Just be at the appropriate starting church for an 8am prayer and arrange to be picked up from the finishing church at 4 pm. Also please bring a packed lunch with you. Read on for details. The walk been tested and risk assessed and one of the core walkers is a nurse. If walking please encourage your friends and family to sponsor the walk – details below.

IF I CAN'T WALK CAN I HELP IN ANOTHER WAY?

Yes, a back-up team is needed to ferry core walkers to and from the starting and ending churches each day and the walkers would be delighted if you would join them for morning and evening prayers each day for a good send off or welcome back. Items for packed lunches would also be appreciated. Read on for details.

HOW CAN I SPONSOR THE WALK?

- You can visit the walk's Just Giving sponsorship page by typing in the address bar: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/hundred-mile-walk>
You can sponsor the whole walk or, from that site you will find links to sponsor individual walkers (if you are able, please gift aid your donation).
- Paper sponsorship forms are available at all the churches in Tetbury and at each of the churches where the walk starts and ends each day.
- If you'd like to join the whole walk, any day or part day, or for further information, please contact Alison at: alison.hesketh1@btinternet.com (if you're taking part in the walk please pass the donation details on to those who could sponsor you as well!)

With grateful thanks to Christian Aid and especially Noel Sharp for arranging the match funding through the Community Partnership scheme and to all the clergy and congregations in the various parishes along the route who have embraced this idea.

Terrain: On a scale A – D. Where A is flat easy walking and D is hilly and challenging.

Day 1: Saturday 12 January. Walk 13 miles. Terrain: B/C. Start: Christ Church, Tetbury. Big Brekki 7.30am prayers for 8.30 leave. End: Christ Church, Chalford. 4 pm tea, bells, prayers.

Day 2: Sunday 13 January. Walk 9 miles. Terrain: C/D. Start: Christ Church, Chalford. 8am prayers for 8.30 leave. End: Painswick. 4 pm tea, bells, prayers.

Day 3: Monday 14 January. Walk 12 miles. Terrain: D. Start: Painswick. 8am prayers for 8.30 leave. End: St Peters, Leckhampton. 4 pm tea, bells, prayers.

Day 4: Tuesday 15 January. Walk 9 miles. Terrain: D. Start: St Peters, Leckhampton. 8am prayers for 8.30 leave. End: St Oswalds, Shipton Oliffe. 4 pm tea, bells, prayers.

Day 5: Wednesday 16 January. Walk 11 miles. Terrain: D. Start: St Oswalds, Shipton Oliffe. 8am prayers for 8.30 leave. End: St Peter and St Paul, Northleach. 4pm tea, bells, prayers.

Day 6: Thursday 17 January. Walk 14 miles. Terrain: C/D. Start: St Peter and St Paul, Northleach. 8am prayers for 8.30 leave. End: St John the Baptist, Cirencester. 4 pm tea, bells, prayers.

Day 7: Friday 18 January. Walk 13 miles. Terrain: B. Start: St John the Baptist, Cirencester. 8am prayers for 8.30 leave. End: Holy Trinity, Long Newnton. 4pm tea, bells, prayers.

Day 8: Saturday 19 January. Walk 9 miles. Terrain: B. Start: Holy Trinity, Long Newnton. 8am prayers for 8.30 leave. End: St John the Baptist, Shipton Moyne. 4pm tea, bells, prayers.

Day 9: Sunday 20 January. Walk 13 miles. Terrain: B. Start: St John the Baptist, Shipton Moyne. 8am prayers for 8.30 leave. End: St Marys', Tetbury. 4pm bells, and service .

