

NEWSLETTER

TEAM NEWS

Over the last year, PACE has seen many changes, a new board of trustees, a new worker, and the implication of new activities! The new board of trustees are Paul Mudge, Nicole Le Goupillot, Phil Baskerville, and Jon Honour who is also acting as interim chairman. The trustees have spent a lot of time with the team working through the vision of PACE in this new season. We are excited about all that God is doing through the team to serve the schools of Guernsey. As we look to the year ahead we already see great opportunities, training in NT Mini to align with the new school curriculum, a visit from apologist Andy Bannister and partnering with churches to bring over Life Expo in September 2025 - please get in touch if your church would like to get behind this great resource for bringing the story of Jesus to life.

This year, Dan, who has served as treasurer for many years, has decided it is time to step down from this role. We want to thank Dan for his many years of service. If you know of anyone in your church who has the skills and willingness to take on the role of treasurer, please do encourage them to get in touch.

Most importantly, we want to thank you for your continued support of the work and for journeying with us in this new season, we are excited about all PACE is going to do over the next year as we work with local churches to keep alive the rumour of God amongst the next generation.



VISION NIGHT AND AGM

At the beginning of July, we hosted our AGM at Vale Mission church. With about 40 people attending from a number of churches, we shared our highlights and challenges from the year and explored our future vision for the work of PACE. The new trustees were introduced as was Jo. We also remembered Nigel Lewis, an extremely valued volunteer who supported PACE and the team for many years with his wonderful storytelling, passion for sharing Jesus and talents in making amazing props for us! The team also thanked Mark for his many years of commitment to PACE and enjoyed a few pictures from earlier days.



LEAVERS LESSONS

This term the team alongside local church leaders have been busy delivering Leavers Lessons to Year 6 classes across the primary schools, to help them smoothly transition into secondary school.

This is an interactive lesson with a movie clip, wordsearch and quiz. Looking at the story of Joseph, we looked at the challenges he faced, and the fact that he rose to each one and trusted in God. We then talked about what challenges they feel they will face in secondary school and that there are many people who they can talk to about them. We also explained that PACE will be at their secondary school in both lessons and lunchtime clubs.

We are very grateful to the local churches for funding the 'It's Your Move' Scripture Union books that we are able to gift to 696 Year 6 students across Guernsey. This book contains wordsearches, quizzes, top tips and more. The students were delighted with their books.



NT LIVE



7TH SEPTEMBER 10AM-4:30PM
SPURGEON BAPTIST CHURCH £14
LUNCH INCLUDED

We are very excited to have Tom Greene visit us again this year to bring us NT (New Testament) Live! Last year he joined us for OT Live and after many requests we have booked him to come over again. This training day will be held on Saturday 7th September at 10am-4:30pm at Spurgeon Baptist Church. We hope many will attend this day, to expand our knowledge on the New Testament, and show simple ways to remember key events, so we all can effectively communicate these to others. This is open to all who want to attend and learn more about the New Testament.

To register for NT Live please visit https://www.bible.org.uk/wtb_event_tickets.php or email us at hellopace@paceguernsey.com

NT MINI

In relation to the above event, the PACE team and current OT (Old Testament) Mini volunteers who teach the course in schools, met with Phil Baskerville in May to start training to become NT Mini presenters.

It was wonderful to be with Phil again and spend a few days going through the signs (like sign language signs) for the 40 key events in the New Testament and being shown the props he had used when he had taught the courses previously.

We have become aware of some schools changing their RE Curriculum meaning that there is less Old Testament teaching and more New Testament teaching on the syllabus. We want to be prepared to offer NT Mini to schools and so will be training a number of people to be presenters. Alongside NT Live, Tom Greene will officially train 7 presenters in September. We hope to begin teaching NT Mini in January 2025.

SECONDARY LESSONS

This term we have delivered 23 lessons in 4 different high schools, including Les Varendes for the very first time. We have led sessions on: 'What is Prayer?', 'Jesus: was he mad, bad or God?', 'A Christian Worldview' and 'Faith in the Community'. For the community lesson we took a group of students to Trinity Church to see church life in action, they heard about what the church does to reach its community, explored The Caves and learnt about the work of Guernsey Welfare and heard about what Caring for Ex-offenders do as well. The lesson was well received, and we have another school interested to visit next year!

We are so thankful for the growing number of opportunities to share in secondary schools and grateful to all our volunteers who make these lessons possible.



PACE ARE SEEKING A TREASURER

We are seeking an individual willing to manage the financial side of PACE. They would be expected to handle payments, donations, make regular reports and ensure requirements and regulations are met. Please get in touch if you feel you could fill this role.

PRAYER POINTS

- Thanks to God for all the activities we have been able to do in schools this term and year.
- Pray for a restful Summer break for teachers, school staff and children.
- Pray for continued growth in relationships with schools.

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