

Coffee Rota Report

Coffee rota volunteers have stayed fairly constant. We have twenty-one members at the moment including two youngsters who have proved to be sensible and responsible. The young daughter of one of our volunteers is due to begin with us in June. She will have training first and her mother will sign the parental form of consent. One member, Shirley Cotton, left us after many years of service, for which we gratefully thank her.

Mosaic also take turns in the rota which is a great help. Unfortunately, as the Mothers' Union has been disbanded, we will no longer be able to ask them to take a turn on the rota.

Attendance fluctuates after the 10am Sunday service but seems to be growing steadily and lots of lively conversation and laughter is heard. We are coping well with the extra people though sometimes we have to produce more tea and coffee half way through the morning

Four volunteers are needed to man the refreshments successfully but on a few occasions, for various reasons, only three turn up. We can manage with three people if need be, though we have been known to grab an off-duty volunteer from the congregation to help out.

Sunday morning coffee is completely self-funding and the money collected each week is handed straight to the Treasurer. We do tell the leader who provides the milk to take the cost of it from the donations but this rarely, if ever, happens. The money is enough to pay for supplies from Traidcraft.

The tables are set up in the hall for us to lay out everything. Afterwards, we wipe them down but we do not put them away.

I am hoping to provide a voluntary refreshment service during August providing that we can get enough volunteers from the congregation for the four Sundays during the month. I will be asking for volunteers in the e-zine and the weekly newsletters nearer the time.

Later on in the year, I will be asking for new volunteers to help us with the coffee rota, to enable those who may want to leave to do so.

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