Mission to Seafarers

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOX APPEAL

St Barnabas Anglican Church, Limassol

Once again, we are hoping to support the Mission to Seafarers with their Christmas shoebox appeal.

We will be collecting empty shoeboxes that we can fill with suitable items and cover in Christmas paper to be handed to Reverend John Attenborough who will distribute them over the Christmas season.

There will be a large box at the back of the church, from mid September, where you can put items to go in the boxes.

We will also be collecting monetary donations and this will go towards items to fill the boxes once we know what is needed.

Suitable items include:

Notebooks, pens, pencils, small torch Toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, comb Warm hats, gloves, scarves Sweets and biscuits *but not chocolate*.

No liquids or glass bottles.

Only new items please, nothing broken or damaged.

Some of these seafarers have been at sea for months if not years and receiving one of these boxes will bring them so much joy as they are away from their friends and families during the festive season.

Last year, we managed to fill 62 boxes from St Barnabas Church, such a wonderful response.

Anything we can do this year we know will be much appreciated, so each time you go to the shops pop an extra item in your bag, if you buy a pair of shoes please let us have the empty box, if you feel you would like to fill your own box and cover it in Christmas paper please do so.

If you have any questions or even suggestions, please have a word with us.

Many thanks.

Christine Taylor, Brian Goodburn and of course Revd John Attenborough Regional Director, Middle East and South Asia & Chaplain to the Cyprus Ports The Mission to Seafarers