

New Prime Minister. New Tearfund Pembrokeshire Action

New Prime Minister, Mr David Cameron, desires a “Strong, stable, good and decent government” according to his first speech as Prime Minister. Facing Britain's “Deep and pressing problems: a deficit, deep social problems and a political system in need of reform.” it seems we have a bumpy road ahead.

Talking about: “working together for the common good, facing up to challenges together” the Prime Minister believes: “we can reach better times ahead;by being honest, with real change and everyone pulling together...for ourselves, our communities and others.” He wants to build a society with a:”*what are my responsibilities attitude*, bringing freedom, fairness,responsibility, building stronger families and communities.”

Tearfund remind Pembrokeshire today of a bigger picture. The decisions the coalition government make in the next few weeks and months will have a big impact on some of the world poorest people. They have tough decisions to make, but poor communities around the world need **Pembrokeshire's** help to join them,helping to ensure that the issues that matter to them, don't get overlooked.

They need us to speak up on their behalf,showing that thousands of Christians in Wales and the UK, are passionate about action on climate change and ending extreme poverty.

Tearfund have launched a *Take Action Now* campaign tool. Using this tool *Tearfund* can deliver our messages to the new Prime Minister when he starts work in early May.

“*Tearfund's* new campaign tool is so easy to use. You fill in a few details, add your name to the pre-written email and click send.” Says *Tearfund's* Media Officer for Pembrokeshire, Sharron Hardwick.

To *Take Action Now* visit:www.tearfund.org/Campaigning/Take+action+now/eActFast10

You can also sign up to receive *Tearfund's Global Action* via email or magazine.

www.tearfund.org/Campaigning/Globalaction . If you do not use the internet, try *Tearfund's* ACT FAST postcards:

“Over 26,000 people receive our rapid response *Act Fast* postcards, with one urgent action and urgent prayer points, four times a year. *Act Fast* is the perfect resource to get your church or local group campaigning, why not order more and hand them out?” continues Sharron Hardwick.

Tearfund are part of Micah Challenge, a global movement of Christians seeking to speak out against the injustices of poverty. It unites countries as they call their leaders to account on the promise made in the **Millennium Development Goals (MDG)**: to halve poverty by 2015. 191 countries signed up to the **MDGs** in 2000. These 8 goals, if achieved, will lift 500 million people out of global poverty. The goals are:

1. Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger
2. Achieve universal primary education
3. Promote gender equality and empower women
4. Reduce child mortality
5. Improve maternal health
6. Combat HIV/Aids, malaria and other diseases
7. Ensure environmental sustainability
8. Develop a global partnership for development.

A **MDG** Summit takes place in September where the UN hosts a meeting looking at the progress that's been made and where goals are still off track.

” *Tearfund* will be contacting our new government asking them to send a strong delegation, ensuring that we do all we can to meet the 2015 deadline. We can help by acting, praying, raising funds/awareness, and later this year, through *Tearfund's The Human Race Campaign*. Together we can make a difference.” concludes Sharron Hardwick.

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