



## Noticeboard

Campaigning news, events and resources from JDC Birmingham

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### **JDC Multi-faith Project Film Night "Pray The Devil Back To Hell"**

**Wednesday 7 March**

**7.00pm for 7.30pm** at St Philips Cathedral,  
Colmore Row, Birmingham B3 9QB

An inspiring film night to mark International Women's Day: a film about Muslim and Christian women protesting together to end violence and dictatorship in Liberia.

followed by:

### **A Series of Workshops, for women of different faiths and none.**

**Mondays: 12 March – 2 April**

**12 noon – 3pm** at The Faithful Neighbourhoods  
Centre, 10 Court Road, Sparkhill, Birmingham  
B11 4LX.

To express an interest in taking part please  
contact Audrey Miller 0121 471 4175 email  
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Jubilee Debt Campaign is very keen to collect  
diverse new resources for educational use that  
reflect the theology of many different faith groups  
and how they may link with the issue of  
international debt. It is our intention to make  
these new resources freely available via the web  
site [www.jdcmultifaith.com](http://www.jdcmultifaith.com)

### **JDC Birmingham Planning Meeting Monday 12 March**

**7.00 pm**, Flat 14, Sinclair Court, 39 Park Road,  
Moseley B13 8AH

**Please let John Nightingale know if you are  
able to join this meeting, all welcome.**

### **Debt Justice for Zimbabwe Friday 16 March**

**7.30 pm** at Selly Oak Methodist Church, 76  
Langleys Road, Selly Oak, Birmingham, B29 6HT

**Tim Jones**, JDC Senior Policy & Campaigns  
Officer, will speak about the report he wrote on  
Zimbabwe's crippling \$7 billion debt – how did  
it come about and what can be done about it as  
the country moves forward? (Initially Zimbabwe  
inherited \$700 million debt from the Rhodesian  
government on independence in 1980; much of  
it was the result of UN sanctions-busting loans  
to the white supremacist Ian Smith regime  
during the civil war.) JDC is working together  
with debt campaigners in Zimbabwe who are  
calling for a "debt audit" of the past and for  
greater popular scrutiny of all borrowing  
decisions in the future.

See: JDC Report on Zimbabwe's Debt  
<http://www.jubileedebtcampaign.org.uk/zimbabwepreport>

We hope to be joined by some of the Zimbabwean  
community in Birmingham.

### **JDC & World Development Movement National Conference "An Economy for the 99%." Saturday 17 March**

**10am-6.30pm** at Manchester Metropolitan  
University.

What would an economy that really worked in the  
interests of people look like? This day of debates,  
workshops and skill sharing will bring together  
activists from Manchester, Europe and beyond to  
share ideas for building economic justice  
movements across the world.

For further details and to register for this free  
event email Maddy at  
[events@jubileedebtcampaign.org.uk](mailto:events@jubileedebtcampaign.org.uk)



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### Events for your diary

**"Just Sport"**  
**An evening with Birmingham**  
**Graffiti Artist, Mohammed Ali**  
**Monday April 16 (provisional)**

**7pm - 9pm** at The Hubb Gallery, 7-9 Stoney Lane, Sparkbrook, Birmingham B11 1QS. Mohammed Ali will lead a meeting which will help us to think about the issues of economic justice involved in the staging of the Olympics in the hope that this will help us in our campaigning over the summer.

**"Banks, Bonuses and the Global**  
**Financial Crisis - what can we do?"**  
**Wednesday May 9th venue to be**  
**announced.**

**7pm - 9pm.** A joint evening organised by Birmingham JDC and Birmingham Council of Faiths. We hope to present the current world economic situation and explore what individuals can do from their own faith positions to contribute to a more just world.

### **JDC Updates**

JDC London email a monthly Debt Update. To receive this, please email your details to [johnnightingale@btinternet.com](mailto:johnnightingale@btinternet.com)

### **Dates for 2012**

**Wed. 7 March.** Film Night.  
**Mon. 12 March.** Planning meeting.  
**Fri. 16 March.** Tim Jones on Zimbabwe.  
**Sat. 17 March** JDC and WDM National Conference  
**Mon. 16 April** "Just Sport" with Mohammed Ali  
**Wed. 9 May** Banks, Bonuses & the Global Financial Crisis - what can we do?

### Focus on Greece

Nick Dearden's article on Greece is receiving wide coverage:

<http://www.leftfootforward.org/2012/02/greece-is-a-smokescreen-to-hide-the-mother-of-all-bank-bailouts/> More details on the JDC website.

**What is happening in Greece** today mirrors what has been happening in the developing world for 30 years - unaccountable international institutions demanding a pound of the people's flesh in exchange for bailing out banks and rewarding speculators.



The Greek Debt Audit Campaign which is demanding a full audit of Greece's debts to examine their legitimacy, has condemned the bailout which it says will "enslave us to the state's creditors"

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