

To Burn Park Church and friends,

As part of Christian Aid Week 2017 we asked you to stand with people forced from their homes across the globe. You responded in your thousands and sent your prayers, actions and red wool to us to as a call to the Prime Minister to take a stand for all those displaced. I wanted to personally apologise for this very delayed reply but also send our gratitude for your participation in this very important action.

We received box upon box full of red wool, postcards and petitions and they were all part in making our point clear when talking to politicians and decision makers.

Part of the wool was used to handmade a Christmas tree decoration that was delivered to the Prime Minister alongside many of the messages that we were sent.

We have received positive responses from Lord Bates, a minister in the Department for International Development (DfID) and Penny Mourdant, the new International Development Secretary.

And right now, the rest of the red wool is being turned into a beautiful artwork intertwined with stories and messages from those displaced by The Action Factory, a small community arts charity back in Blackburn who work with refugees.

This Christian Aid week we will continue to call on the Prime Minister to support displaced people, specifically by ensuring the United Nations better protects people who've been internally displaced.

You and your church can be at the heart of this call to action.

This year you can be part of building Home of Hope in your church and with this show support and care for people like Marcelin and others who are displaced within their own countries and are facing an uncertain future. Download your Home of Hope pack here today.

Please find the attached pictures of the Christmas decorations made out of your red wool given to the Prime Minister.

Once again, thank you for your prayers and participation in Christian Aid week 2017 and looking forward to your stories from Christian Aid week this year.

Yours sincerely

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