



# Reflecting on Rural Mission

A One-Day Consultation

Friday 18th March

11.00 to 3.30

The Vicarage \*

St Mary Bourne

ANDOVER, SP11 6AY

*I am delighted to be able to offer this day through the Hampshire Rural Group, and hope that if you are actively involved in rural church leadership you will be able to join us on this occasion. It has been arranged at short notice because I have to be in Winchester on 19th March and wanted to take the opportunity of offering something to the local rural churches.*

*It has been my privilege to spend almost all my ministry in rural areas. I research, write and teach on the subject of rural mission and evangelism. These days, in addition to being in settled pastoral ministry in a Northamptonshire village, I work as an ecumenical rural mission consultant and look after the national ecumenical network for rural evangelism. This provides me with a broad range of relevant information and gives me confidence to speak about what is appropriate, sustainable and effective.*

*I look forward to meeting you and hearing about any encouragements you have been experiencing and any challenges you may be facing. I will do my best to make the time worthwhile.*

*Barry Osborne*

*(Author of "The Key to Effective Rural Evangelism" and "Rural Evangelism in the 21st Century")*

## **Who is it for?**

Arranged in association with the Hampshire Rural Group for rural church leaders of any denomination and others concerned for the life and witness of rural churches.

## **The Day will include...**

The opportunity to meet with other rural church leaders, to enjoy fellowship and learn from one another.

The opportunity to hear about and explore together contemporary, sustainable, practical and relevant rural mission strategies.

Information on useful resources.

## **What will it cost?**

Thanks to the generosity of Canon Martin Coppen we can offer this event for just £3 but you will need to bring your own lunch!

## **How do I book to attend?**

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\* **The Venue**— Please note that space is limited so we might need to relocate.