

Dear friends in Member Care,

I am pleased to be sending you my first Member Care Europe update since I took over from Wayne, who provided this service for many years. I hope you find the information helpful. If you look on the MCE website (<http://membercareeurope.com/>) you'll find a number of events, courses and retreat centres that may be of help to you. I'd like to highlight the following events and services which I've recently posted:

Sharpening Your Interpersonal Skills Workshops (France, Germany and Spain, December).

SYIS workshops are designed to enhance the knowledge, attitudes and skills of Christian workers in how we relate to family, co-workers, and friends as well as those from other cultures. Several different ones are coming up, in English, French and Spanish.

EuroTCK 2013 (Germany, 25-29 April 2013)

EuroTCK is a conference for all people with a heart for Third Culture Kids, whether you have TCK responsibility within your mission, organisation or church, whether you are a dorm parent, teacher, re-entry camp staff or provide any form of TCK care, Adult TCKs not involved with any organisation are also welcome.

Redcliffe MA in Member Care (UK)

Taught by experts in the field, Redcliffe College's new MA in Member Care recognises the need to have a Biblical basis underpinning practice, as well as understanding cross-cultural perspectives and their effect on individuals and groups. Challenges such as crisis response and trauma debriefing will be addressed, and there is the opportunity to focus on a specific context or Member Care issue through an optional module. This MA is available in flexible learning mode. Students complete the MA over 3-4 years, studying in a combination of three-week summer school residential intensives, and self-study with email support (on average 10-15 hours a week).

Katafiyio Retreat House (Cyprus)

A small traditional house in a picturesque village on the edge of the Machairas forest. A self-catering retreat house to resource those in ministry, providing a place of rest and spiritual refreshment. Available for holiday or for a structured retreat. A trained staff member is available to lead Individually Guided Retreats for 1-8 days. A brochure can be downloaded from the website.

For more information about all of these go to <http://membercareeurope.com/>. Don't forget that you can advertise your services and conferences on our website just by sending details to me at tim@syzygy.org.uk.

Kind regards,

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