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Dear Friends, Associates and members of the Iona Community,

Visit of John Bell  
12th May 2018 in the United Reformed Church, Durham City.  
We are raising funds for the Iona Abbey Capital Appeal.

The next **Northumbria Plenary meeting of the Iona** Community will be on Saturday 12th May 2018 in the United Reformed Church, Durham where our guest speaker will be John Bell.

John is a preacher, hymn writer, composer, lecturer and broadcaster. He is an ordained minister of the Church of Scotland and a member of the Iona Community. John has produced many collections of liturgy, scripts, sermons and reflections, original hymns and songs, and is primarily concerned with the renewal of congregational worship at grassroots level.

There will be worship, discussion, singing and socialising. A sandwich lunch will be provided for which we request a money donation. The charge for this day will be £10. We will start at 10am and finish at about 4pm when there will be a retiring collection. John will be preaching in the morning and leading a music session in the afternoon. Free child care will be available. Partners, friends and members of your church will also be very welcome - please bring as many people as you can.

Please note that after March 17th, this event will be advertised through the "Churches Together" network and on the Wild Goose websites in order to maximise the fundraising at this event for the **Iona Abbey Capital Appeal**. You will know that substantial work to the infrastructure of Iona Abbey is urgently needed. Among other improvements and repairs, there will be a new entrance, a lift, significant renovation of the bedrooms and bathrooms and a new renewable-energy heating system. The appeal target is £2.7 million of which £1,403,000 has already been raised.

Please telephone 01661 832695 if you have any queries. God bless you all.

Best wishes from Jackie Scrowther: Northumbria Friends and Associates Representative.

Visit of Rev. John Bell of the Iona Community  
12th May 2018 in Waddington Street United Reformed Church, Durham City.

Please reply to Mrs J.J. Scrowther, 14 North Meadow, Ovingham, Northumberland NE42 6QH or telephone 01661832695 (and leave a message if am out).

Names of those wishing to attend:

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Email address: ..... Telephone . .....

I enclose £10 per person. (Please make cheques payable to The Iona Community.)

I will acknowledge your booking by email; if you do not use email and you require confirmation, please enclose a S.A.E.