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Dear Friends

WYFC's Copper Jar Challenge!

Ever wondered what to do with all those copper you get in your change? Are you tired of being weighed down by coins in your pockets? Wearside Youth for Christ would like to help you solve this problem by giving you the opportunity to help us raise funds for our work among the young people of Wearside by participating in our 'Copper Jar Challenge'.

The idea is for each church in the area to put a jar at the back of the church (or somewhere it can be easily seen) and people drop their small change – it doesn't have to just be coppers! – into it. Then on 20th April you count up the money in the jar, send it off to us, and then start collecting again. We would collect the totals from churches every three months and have a 'Blue Peter' style thermometer in the office and in our newsletters to show how much has been raised. There will also be a prize for the church who has raised the most!

It could be a whole church project or something you could get the Sunday School involved in – or even individuals at home. If you have a group or individuals who would like to participate in this, please register with us by contacting our fundraising co-ordinator, Emily McBeth, on 0191-5211962 or themcbeths04@yahoo.co.uk We will then send out more information nearer the 'counting time' as to how to get the money to us, and will forward details of how the money raised is spent.

Thanks for your participation in this and we look forward to hearing of jars being filled all over the region!

Emily McBeth

WYFC Fundraising Co-ordinator