### WITNESS – Reaching out to others (Aim for 20 – 30 minutes)

#### **Praying for one another**

Romans 12:9-21 (NIVUK)

<sup>10</sup> Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves. <sup>11</sup> Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. <sup>12</sup> Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Go around the group and share a challenge what you are facing so that others might pray for you.

When each person has shared pray for each other, with each person praying for the person on their left..

Conclude by praying The Caleb prayer:-

O High King of Heaven,
Have mercy on our land.
Revive your Church.
Send the Holy Spirit for the sake of the lost, the least and the broken.
May your Kingdom come to our nation.
In Jesus' mighty name. **Amen.** 

# Trusting God in 4 Troubled Times

What is the message of revival? Isaiah 52.13-53.12

#### **WELCOME** – Breaking the ice

(Aim for 10 minutes)

Maximillian Kolbe, a catholic priest, took the place of a family man in the punishment cell of a Nazi concentration camp and starved to death. What is it about this story and others like it which move us?

#### **WORSHIP** – Meeting the Lord

(Aim for 10 - 15 minutes)

Amen.

As you turn to pray be quiet for a moment and turn your focus to God.

Go around the room and each person pray a thank you prayer.

Then together pray:Holy Spirit, sent by the Father,
Ignite in us your holy fire;
Strengthen your children with the gift of faith,
Revive your Church with the breath of love,
And renew the face of the earth,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Finish this worship time with the leader praying for your meeting.

## WORD – Applying the truth (Aim for 40 – 45 minutes)

Read Isaiah 52.13-53.12

I In what ways does Jesus embody the contrast shown in Isaiah 52.13-15?

2 "With God apparent failure may actually be success" Can you think of any other examples of this principle?

3 Why were the people of Israel unable to recognise Jesus as the Messiah? In what ways does this attitude still persist today?

4 What does Isaiah 53.4-6 reveal about the link between sin and suffering?

5 Turning to verses 7 - 9. What is "extraordinary" about the accuracy of this prophecy?

6 How do you respond to the idea that Jesus death was "planned by the Almighty Sovereign God"?

7 In what ways was the death of Jesus on the cross a "triumph"?

8 In the light of this chapter, what must happen before revival comes to an individual? Do you feel that this has happened to you? Would you like it to?