

## Mission Partner of the Month: May 2017

# b.friend



*Don't mistreat any foreigners who live in your land. Instead, treat them as well as you treat citizens and love them as much as you love yourself. Remember, you were once foreigners in the land of Egypt. I am the Lord your God.*  
Leviticus 19: 33-34



## Could YOU befriend an asylum seeker or refugee?

**Befriending...** is drinking tea in a Café, listening to stories, playing table tennis, visiting the M Shed, exploring Bristol, helping with learning English, talking about British culture, walking in green spaces, visiting the seaside, watching sport in a pub, looking for books in the library and helping someone to know that **THEY ARE NOT ALONE.**

**CHANGES...** one of the biggest changes in the past year has been an increase in referrals from the Kingswood area where accommodation is cheaper. This makes accessing support services (including b.friend) very difficult. Asylum seekers are very isolated there. Please **PRAY** that Sam will successfully recruit new volunteer befrienders from Kingswood.



Next training programme:  
(All 3 sessions to be attended)

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May 1.30 – 4.45pm  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 7.30 – 9pm  
Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June 7.30 – 9pm

For more information and to book a place please contact Sam:  
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The next training is due to run in  
Sept/ Oct.

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