

Bromley Parish Church

Monthly Alms: The Charity represented for the month of August is: **BROMLEY Y** – Free, Independent and Confidential Counselling for Young People:

For forty years Bromley Y has provided counselling for young people in the Borough. The service is available to 11 to 23 year olds and is free of charge. A team of qualified counsellors provides one-to-one counselling, some group work, and consultation to parents and others involved with young people. Outreach work takes place in several schools and other places in the Borough.

The agency works in close partnership with statutory agencies and other voluntary bodies and continues to receive referrals from the Health and Education services, as well as from Social Services and Connexions. Young people or their parents also contact the agency directly, often on the advice of former clients.

There appears to be an ever-increasing demand for independent, non-medical, intervention for children and young people, for reasons which are not altogether clear. The statutory services are unable to meet the demands this makes on them, and many of these issues are probably better dealt with in an agency like Bromley Y which can be more flexible.

While the agency receives grants from statutory agencies, there is a large shortfall, and of course a voluntary body needs charitable income in order to maintain its integrity and independence. Such income is also an indication of local support. Bromley has every right to be proud of Bromley Y, and we at Bromley Parish Church can be proud that we have been involved since the birth of the agency in 1965. Forty years is an exceptional time for such an agency to stay strong and healthy and a good reason to celebrate.

This worthy cause requires all the assistance it can muster and deserves the continuing support and endeavours on its behalf that St. Peter and St. Paul gives it.

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