

BROMLEY PARISH CHURCH ALMS:
The charity represented for the month of October is the **Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge** - SPCK – 300 years of Worldwide Ministry

Studying scripture is fundamental for those called to ordained ministry. Yet many studying for the ministry in the developing world have few financial resources and live in the context of war, famine, disease and poverty. They are unable to meet basic needs and in countries where a paperback can cost a week's wages, they can be the only books, apart from the Bible, that a priest or pastor may own.

- SPCK World wide exists to assist the development of local Christian publishing and Christian book-selling through out the world, especially in developing countries and helps to provide literature and communication resources for education, worship and the training of church leaders in many different denominations.

- SPCK World wide gives away more than 50,000 books a year. These go to over 3,000 ordinands in nearly 40 countries of the developing world. Through its Books for Life programme, each student receives a mini-library of up to 20 resource books and Bible commentaries.

If Christian books are important to you, would you help someone else discover their blessing? Together with the Indian SPCK, SPCK World wide can provide a full min-library for £60.

This very 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 to it.

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