

Come and hear Ruth Valerio!

Christian eco-warrior, author, academic & community activist Ruth Valerio is coming to Northern Ireland!

Ruth will speak at **New Horizon**

University of Ulster, Coleraine on Tues 23rd & Wed 24th July at 11.45am

on the topic 'Radical obedience in a consumer culture' - a two-part seminar series that will help us understand the society that we live in more deeply and will give us tools for how we can live with integrity.

Ruth will also speak at the Moravian Church Belfast

(junction of University Rd & Lisburn Rd) at **7.00pm** on **Wed 24th July** on the topic 'How do we live well as Christians in consumer culture?'

Co-sponsored by Christians in Science, A Rocha UK & Eco-Congregation Ireland

All welcome!

Ruth describes herself as a community activist, Christian, academic, eco-warrior, mum, author, veg grower, wife and pig keeper rolled into one!

"I live with my husband and two daughters in Chichester, where I am part of Revelation Church, leading a cell group and preaching regularly, and I run A Rocha's *Living Lightly* initiative. I am part of the leadership of Spring Harvest and am a Director of Cred Jewellery.

I am involved in issues of community regeneration, chairing the Community Association for the estate that we live on, and also chairing the local Community Action Partnership. With a theology degree from Cambridge and an MA from the London School of Theology, I am currently doing doctoral studies at Kings College London, looking at the concept of simplicity and consumerism.

I have written extensively on justice, environment and lifestyle issues, as well as writing Bible study guides for Scripture Union and CWR. Concerned to 'practice what I preach', I have an allotment, run a food cooperative and run a pig-keeping social enterprise with friends. I am also very involved with Transition Chichester and run the Chichester Garden Share scheme. I write a regular column in Families First magazine, as well as writing for magazines such as Christianity and Third Way."