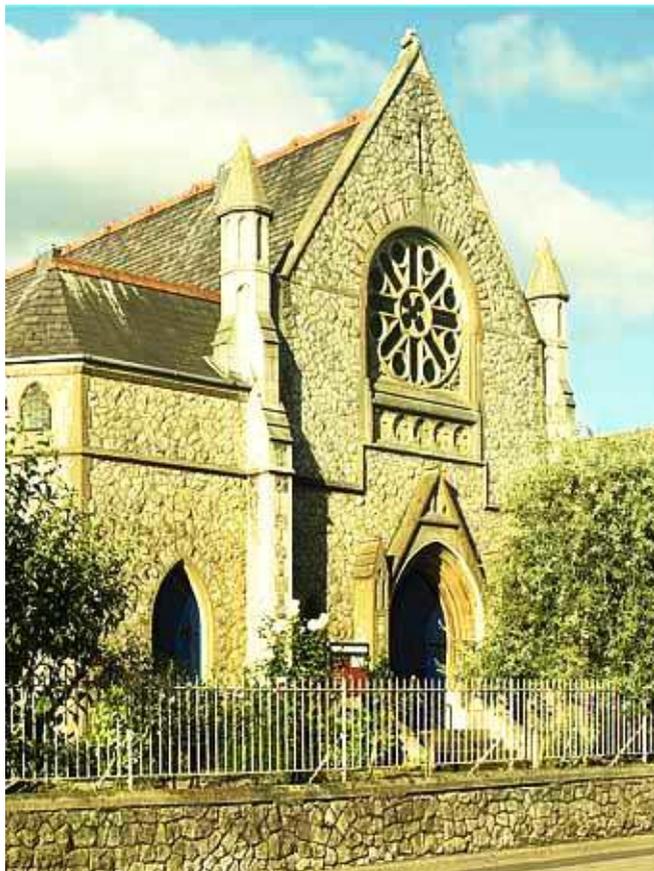


THE
OUTLOOK

SEPTEMBER TO
NOVEMBER 2016



Emmanuel Church Sidcup

Methodist and United Reformed

A Message from your Minister

Dear Friends.

Greetings, I am back from my Sabbatical Leave (SL). I trust you continued to be fruitful in mission whilst I was away. I wish to extend my most sincere thanks to Revd Alex Terrett for providing Oversight and Pastoral Care and the Elders for their faithfulness always in maintaining order and stability for the day to day running of the Church life and Worship, during my absence.

I had a rejuvenating time of rest and inspiring experiences during my Sabbatical Leave.

The goals of my time away were to rest, focus on self, have time with family and explore prayer and healing. To a large extent I managed to meet my objectives by attending retreats, meeting and speaking with clergy, attending relevant conferences as well as participating in services of prayer and healing, mostly in the countries I was able to visit. I was of course able to read immensely books on the theology of prayer and healing.

I travelled far and wide. I went to Zimbabwe, Isle of Iona, Scotland – Edinburgh, Dallas Texas, New Orleans Louisiana, and back to Zimbabwe.

Each place I went to was different and I had unique experiences, which I cherish. Zimbabwe is my home, a beautiful country between two mighty rivers Limpopo and Zambesi, situated in Southern Africa. Zimbabwe is going through a turbulent time. It brought me so much desolation to see how hard life is for the man on the streets. It is hard to find food and employment. Everyone is a vendor to survive.

God will not ignore the lamentations of his people. In Zimbabwe he has raised the Church to unite and stand up and speak on behalf of the people, using non-violent strategies. There is hope for the people of Zimbabwe. Faith is high in the communities and they are fasting, and praying day and night.

In June I went to the Isle of Iona, a very special place. The experience was so amazing it cannot be put into words. I encountered God everywhere. He was very visible. His presence and peace overtook my well being. Yes, God is Omniscient.

In Scotland – Edinburgh, I went to see my young sister, niece and two nephews. We had a great time of conversation, celebration meals, sight seeing the border areas of Scotland and enjoying the scenery. This was very relaxing, we had a lot to talk about and laugh about.

In the final part of my time away I travelled to Dallas with my daughter, unfortunately the day we landed five Police Officers had been shot dead. That cast a dark cloud on the City of Dallas and we could not visit the city centre. On the Sunday we attended the healing service at Potters House led by Dr. T D Jakes. It was a difficult service attended by the Mayor of the City of Dallas, the Governor of the state, the Attorney General - Police officers who were present at the shooting of their colleagues, and the aunt of Alton Sterling one of the

victims shot by the police. The congregation was made up of 2000 people. The service was very moving and heart rending and everyone was in tears. The Service took three hours but I did not notice the passage of time, it was a time of mourning.

All those Leaders spoke and T D Jakes preached on 2 Chronicles 7:14

If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, pray seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and heal their land.

This was a very appropriate message for Dallas, there is need for change. President J F Kennedy was shot in Nov 1963 and yet shootings are still going on.

We proceeded to New Orleans, a very different city from anything I have experienced. I enjoyed their food and we tried to visit the popular areas, the Bourbon street, French market, Jazzy, the Jackson square, the Café Dumont world famous for beignets. We ate some and liked them. Voodoo is the religion there. The abject poverty caused by Hurricane Katarina was very apparent

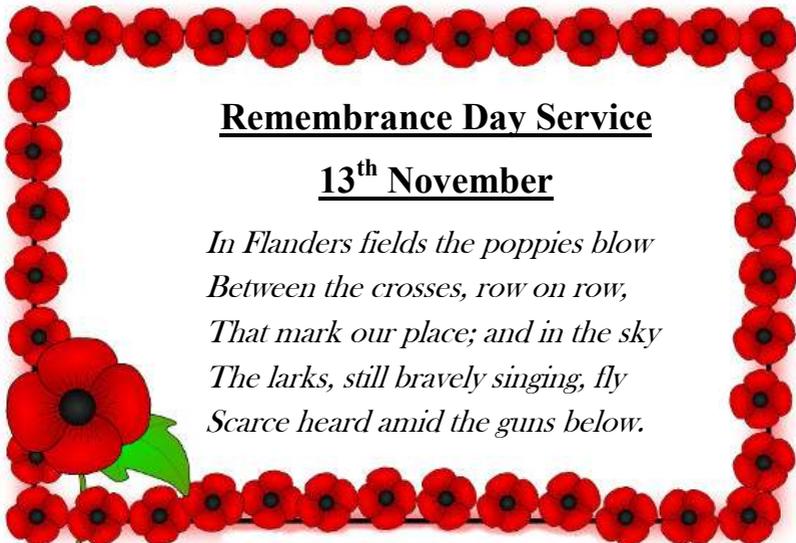
In a nutshell those are just some of my experiences during my Sabbatical.

I am ever so grateful to the Methodist Church for the gift of the Sabbatical

I hope you are also enjoying summer and going places too

Blessings

Juliet



Remembrance Day Service

13th November

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*



Emmanuel Church is excited to bring to the Church again Messy Church!!

"This is a Free, Fun, Family event and will include:
Fun, Food and Worship!!!"

Where ? Emmanuel Church Hall,
Hadlow Road, Sidcup

When ? Saturday 4pm - 6pm
Next meetings

September 10th Olympics

October 8th Harvest

November 12th Remembrance

Who ? All ages welcome

We look forward to seeing you all there

"Contacts: 01689 821956/julietushe@hotmail.com/donnakebabie@aol.com"

Messy Church on 11th June 2016 **the theme was "The Queens Birthday"**

Well, It was our Messy Church Birthday as well as the Queens –we haven't been going for as long as the Queen though – just 3 years. Happy Birthday to Her Majesty – God bless her.

What a celebration we had – the children were spoilt for choice. We had a giant crown for everyone to help decorate and their imagination was allowed to run riot – beautiful.

Needless to say they all made their own crowns and decorated them to their own designs. These were then worn with pride.

They had templates of the Union Jack to colour in, attached to a stick for them to wave and if they wanted to design their own flag then they could.

A Royal Coach could be created from a paper plate and they were truly beautiful to behold.

Cake was sliced into rectangles and the children used fondant icing of various colours to cut to size and create Union Jacks or the flag of their choice.

We had templates of cardboard boys and girls for the children to decorate by painting or dressing with cut out material and stickers of various sorts. The original idea was to string them all together to look like a crowd celebrating the Queens birthday and hang them in the church like bunting but most of the children wanted to take their creations home.

As it was nearly Fathers Day the children made and hand painted cards – their palms were a cake and the fingers represented candles - stick on flames were added to give a finishing touch with whatever message they wanted to add.

The children were helped to create a sword out of cut up cardboard and silver foil. They then decorated their sword with stickers and each child was formally knighted.

Everyone then went into the Green Room to here a story about Celebrations, to sing a hymn and say prayers for our troubled world.

Meanwhile “the team” rushed round clearing up ready for a celebratory picnic of sandwiches, cake, sausages, sausage rolls, crisps and fruit etc. etc. which was tucked into with relish.

At the end of the meal everyone could choose from a magnificent selection of balloons which had been blown up and made into a great variety of shapes for them to take home along with a slice of a special very, very messy church birthday cake.

Thank you to everyone once more for putting so much time, effort and love into making our Messy Church the success that it is.

Roger

Hall Refurbishment

In September / October the Hall, Rainbow room, Green room, Kitchen and Toilets are going to be refurbished. We apologise in advance for the disturbance this will cause. We hope people will be understanding. When it is all finished we are sure you will think it was worth the disruption.

Starting on September 12th a new heating system will be installed with new radiators in the Green Room, Rainbow Room and Hall. Radiators will also be added to the Toilets and Kitchen. A new control system will be installed so that only rooms in use will be heated. Electric water heaters will be fitted under the basins in the toilets. The toilet area will be converted to mains pressure operation so that the old cold water tank can be drained before it starts to leak.

At the same time the side windows in the Hall will be replaced with UPVC double glazed ones. A couple of months later the main window will also be replaced. Unfortunately due to its odd shape it will take that long to manufacture.

Starting about the 20th the Hall and Rainbow room floors will be sanded and varnished. The Green room will have to be used for storage while this is done.

Starting about the 26th the Hall and Rainbow room will undergo a high level clean.

Finally, starting about the 29th new cupboards will be built in the Hall. The Hall and Rainbow room will be repainted. A new roller blind will then be fitted..

We expect to complete this work about October 14th. However we can not guarantee this.

The Toilets will undergo further improvement later.



The photo shows the present state of the Hall after the old cupboards have been removed.

DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR HARVEST

Saturday 8th October

From 10.00am

The window displays may take any form reflecting

“Harvest”

Come and join us for our
HARVEST QUIZ SUPPER

at

Foots Cray Baptist Church, Sidcup Hill
5.00pm on Saturday September 24th

Quiz Master: Revd Alan Mason

Teams of 4 to 6 people

Food and Drink Provided

Tickets £5 (£4 Concessions)

Contact: Jean Reynolds

by 18th September (for catering numbers)

scouts1957@outlook.com 020 8308 0138

WOMEN'S HOUR
CHRISTMAS MARKET

SATURDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

10.00AM TO 1.00PM

EMMANUEL CHURCH HALL

CRAFT CAKES RAFFLE GAMES

REFRESHMENTS

Annual Church Meeting

The date of the meeting will be on
Sunday 20th November
following the morning service.

Pastoral News

Congratulations to Jennifer and Phillip Willson on the birth of another grandson on 23rd June, Flynn Elijah, 8lb 14oz, a brother for Albie and son of Robert and Toria Willson.

Frank Midgely is at home recovering from a hip replacement operation. We wish him a complete recovery.

Winnie Webb is in Bough House Care Home, Footscray now. Continue to remember her and Lorna New at St Margaret's in your prayers.

We also remember Doris and Matthew Parkin. Matthew has recently undergone surgery and Doris is unwell. We miss seeing them in church.

Olive Lewis has had a knee replacement and Iris Wood is quite poorly. Pray for them too.

Freda's son-in-law is very ill and the family need your prayers.

Christine and Roger's great niece Phoebe aged 3 is undergoing treatment for leukaemia.

Rene Seal has been very ill but is now out of hospital. It was lovely to see her at the garden party but she still needs your prayers as she gets stronger.

Don Wiles is not at all well. We have missed him at church and continue to remember him in our prayers.

Please think of those who are not well enough to come to church, especially Eileen Shenton, and Heather Forsyth.

Churches Together in Sidcup

Prayer Meeting every 3rd Saturday

Next meeting Tuesday 27th September 2016

Sidcup Baptist Church, 167 Main Road

9.00 - 9.30 am.

All welcome

Café Church Sunday July 17th 2016

I was so please you all involved yourselves in asking the questions and joining in the discussions that followed.

The main points put forward were :-

- Lack of young people in church.
- The use of the Hall or Green Room in winter.
- Raising money.
- Advertising our Church events.
- Do we use all the talents we have in our church?
- More hymn singing and hymns we know for special services such as christenings.
- The wonderful and caring support given to all by all.
- Methodism is unique from other churches. Could services sometimes be done in a different way or could Churches Together in Sidcup provide a united service?
- Hall updating and repainting program.
- Could we offer more coffee mornings?

The points highlighted from the discussion.

We have over five hundred children using our premises during the month. How can they be guided into church on Sunday? Messy Church does offer an alternative Church which is well supported. Sunday is more of a family day as both parents often have to work. Parent and Toddlers is again well supported and its mission is for young parents to discuss concerns with leaders or among themselves.

Women's hour is again well attended and a much needed opportunity to share concerns or listen to speakers.

We sponsor the scouts and guides. The guides do attend family services and the scouts do too on occasion. The leaders find it difficult for reasons of Sunday work etc.

We will think about using the Hall or Green Room for Sunday services as we have done in the past.

Re the updating of the Hall. We have been offered a grant of £25,000 and need to contribute the same amount. The Hall will be repainted with new radiators and cupboards. The roof will be cleaned and the floor resurfaced. This will start in September 2016.

It is so expensive to place adverts in local papers about forthcoming events but we will see if it can be done in other ways.

It was nice to hear from so many of you how friendly and caring you all are, but we must make sure that nobody slips through the net. It's difficult to find people to make coffee on Friday morning but if anyone could offer on other days when the Hall is not booked that would be appreciated.

At the open discussion re Sunday morning services it was suggested that some could be different. We would have to contact the person allocated on the plan or ask Juliet to see if the service could be different, but we must come up with new ideas first. I will ask Churches Together at our next meeting about having a united service which will show how strong our Christian community is.

There are hidden talents that we need to use. You are never too old to show those talents. We need at least two more Elders. The duties are not onerous. Please consider if you could help.

I think this covers most of the points, if not please contact me.

Again I thank you for your open and honest discussion. The hymn singing was excellent, especially as we didn't have a pianist.

God bless you all.

Peter Thornton

Seen the Signs!

In a shoe repairer's shop

“We will heel you,
We will save your sole,
We will even dye for you”

On a plumber's van

“We repair what your husband fixed”

In an Opticians

“If you don't see what you are looking for,
You've come to the right place”

Contributed by Maureen May

Judith and Tony's Garden Party

Thank you to all who came to our garden party on August 6th. It was a beautiful day and it was lovely to see everyone enjoying themselves. Donations amounted to £210 which will go towards the hall refurbishment.



Coffee Morning

Every Friday in the Church Hall from 10.30am to Noon. Come in for a coffee & biscuit and have a chat with friends. On fine days there may also be a bric-a-brac stall outside. All for church funds.



Lunch

Unfortunately Marion is no longer going to be able to provide lunches each month.

Everyone thanks her and her helpers for all their hard work in the past.



Sunday Coffee

Coffee will continue to be served in the church after morning service every Sunday.

Donations to Church Funds

September	4	Ann & Maryia
	11	Guides
	18	Pam & Jennifer
	25	Roger & Christine
October	2	Pat & Dorothy
	9	Guides
	16	Judith & Mandy
	23	Ann & Maryia
	30	Roger & Christine
November	6	Pam & Jennifer
	13	Guides
	20	Judith & Mandy
	27	Pat & Dorothy



Songs of Praise in the Valley

The village of Grange in Borrowdale is somewhere Tony and I love to visit whenever we are staying in Keswick. Many of our favourite walks pass through the village. There is a lovely café by the river which we regularly patronise. The village has an Anglican church and a Methodist Chapel. I had always hoped to attend a service in this peaceful chapel, but nowadays the chapel no longer has regular services. Joint services are held in the Anglican Church, honouring the Methodist tradition on the second Sunday each month.

After over a hundred years as a place of worship the Methodist chapel now houses The Borrowdale Story. There are display boards which give visitors an insight into the geology, history and the development of the communities within the Borrowdale valley. Initially this was set up by the local Anglican and Methodist clergy. The Chapel is a place of such peace and tranquillity, a space for reflection and prayer as well as community activities. Weddings or memorial services do occasionally take place there. It is open everyday of the year.

Twice a year the chapel is used for a Songs of Praise service. Finally my dream to worship there came true at the beginning of July. I sang Songs of Praise with fellow Christians from the Borrowdale valley amongst the fells I love. The organ and some of the pews have been removed from the chapel but a keyboard and pianist provided the music and the minister led the service inviting the congregation to request their favourite hymns and share why they had chosen them.

Borrowdale has a long history of Christianity. In medieval times the monks from Furness Abbey cultivated the lands of Borrowdale. They grew barley, oats and rye, storing their grain in a grangia, thus giving the village of



Grange its name. Borrowdale was the focus for nonconformist worship and became part of the Keswick and Cockermouth Methodist Circuit. From 1847 services were held in local houses until the Chapel was built of local green stone in 1894. Kenneth Robinson of Troutdale was the organist from the age of 14 until two weeks before he died at the age of 78.

With so many churches closing due to diminishing congregations it is good to see this chapel still being actively used in a different role at the heart of the community. It provides a quiet oasis from the hustle and bustle of the tourist traffic, a welcome to the walkers and a source of information about a valley which Alfred Wainwright regarded as the fairest of the Lake District valleys.

As I left that Songs of Praise service in the Chapel, I was reminded of the words of the hymn:

*You shall go out with joy
And be led forth with peace,
And the mountains and the hills
Shall break forth before you.*

Judith Howard

Ferrier Operatic

Do you enjoy listening to a wide range of music, including songs from 'The Lion King' to the 'Hallelujah Chorus'? Ferrier Operatic Society are giving their annual series of concerts this October.

The theme this year is 'Feelings'. There are two concerts at The Carlton Centre, Carlton Road, Sidcup on October 14th at 7.30pm (including supper) and on October 16th at 2.30pm (including afternoon tea). Both cost £10 per ticket.

There are two further concerts at St Mary the Virgin Church in Welling on October 21st and 22nd.

Both Mandy and Ruth have supported us in the past and other members of Emmanuel have come to our shows in late spring.

Further details from
Maddie Lake 020 8300 6181

Cradle Roll

Erin Rose Hamilton will be 1 on September 5th
Happy birthday Erin



Women's Fellowship Hour

September

5th Back from holidays – Discussing

The next few weeks will be in the Sanctuary.

12th 1st week in Sanctuary. Stories & Poems.

19th T.B.A.

26th Margaret Cufflin – Local History Talk.

October

3rd Making things for Harvest Decorations.

10th Harvest Stories & purchasing goods.

17th Lotto or a quiz & games.

24th Erith Veteran Singers.

31st To be announced

November

7th Stories of past bonfire nights as children.

14th Text & Object.

21st Sorting out next weeks sale.

26th Christmas Market. 10.00am

28th Winter & Christmas Stories & poems.

Marion

Women's Fellowship at Eastbourne 2016

The outing to Eastbourne was on a beautiful day and this was a fitting end to our year. The trip was arranged by Pat George and with her usual organizational skills went well. Eastbourne was our preferred destination, due to the lovely long promenade and of course the many fish and chip shops.

People went off in small groups but we seemed to meet up at the Victoria Tea Rooms on the pier which escaped the terrible fire two years ago.

Freda went for her usual paddle in the sea, but she was the only intrepid person to venture into the briny!

Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves judging by the happy tired faces on our way home.

See you next year Eastbourne.

Marion

The Manna Society

At The Manna Day Centre, 6 Melior St, London, staff and dedicated volunteers offer respect and loving care to those who come to the Day Centre. On average, we cater for around 150 people per day – mostly men. About 50% of these sleep rough, 25% are in socially rented accommodation and the other 25% are in hostels or stay with friends. What they all share in common is poverty and they are often lonely.

The Manna Centre is open from 8.00am to 1.30pm seven days a week and provides

- Food and shelter by day (breakfast and lunch)
- A chance for a wash, shave and shower
- A change of clothes
- A range of health care including an Osteopath, a chiroprapist, a nurse and a mental health worker
- Housing and welfare Advice. 1471 clients were seen in 2014-15 and 319 helped into accomodation
- Help with furniture for those moving into accommodation or on low incomes. We are very grateful for donations of surplus furniture.
- Access to computers to look for jobs, write CVs and communicate by email.

**Emmanuel Church supports the Manna Society at Harvest Festival.
Their current list of Most Needed Items includes**

Food

- Sugar
- Tinned tomatoes
- Powdered milk
- Tinned vegetables
- Dilutable soft drinks

Miscellaneous

- Sleeping bags
- Books
- Washing liquid (for clothes)

Men's Clothing

- Trousers
- Jeans
- Trainers
- Socks
- Underwear

Toiletries

- Disposable razors



Services for September

- 4 10.30am Mr David Gloin
11 10.30pm Rev Juliet Ushewokunze Parade and Family service
18 10.30am Mrs Joan Mayes
25 10.30am Rev Juliet Ushewokunze Communion

Services for October

- 2 10.30am Mrs Pat Woodison
9 10.30am Rev Juliet Ushewokunze Harvest followed by lunch
16 10.30am Rev Juliet Ushewokunze
23 10.30am Mrs Sue Cope
30 10.30am Rev Juliet Ushewokunze Communion

Services for November

- 6 10.30am Miss Rudado Ushewokunze
13 10.30am Rev Juliet Ushewokunze Remembrance Day service
20 10.30am Mrs Julie Gardner Annual Church Meeting
27 10.30am Rev Juliet Ushewokunze Communion

Circuit Celebration and Tea

A café style service with special music, recognising the work of preachers and looking forward to the churches' work through the coming year.

25th September at Chislehurst

Preceded by a Bring and Share Tea at 4.00pm

Please can everyone who attends bring a plate of food!

Sidcup Horticultural Association

The Association are again hosting a programme of monthly Illustrated Talks on the following Tuesday evenings throughout the autumn / winter to which you are cordially invited:

The talks are held in the Green Room, Emmanuel Church at 7.30 pm (doors open 7.00 pm).

20 September	The Secrets of the Walled Garden	Mr D J March
25 October	Kew Gardens	Dr John Hughes
15 November	The Winter Garden	Mr Joseph Woodcock

Whilst the Church Hall is being refurbished the talks are temporarily being held in the Main Hall of St Lawrence's Church, 1 Hamilton Road at 7.30 pm (doors open 7.00 pm).

Single attendance for members is £2.00, for non-members £3.00. Notices will be placed in Sidcup Library and a few local shops.

The Association are also taking bookings for a day trip to the National Trust **Sheffield Park Gardens on Saturday 24th September**. Further details are available from Colin Brown, Chairman, 020 8302 6608.

Emmanuel Church

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Sunday 9th October

10.30am

Followed by a Bring and Share Lunch

All harvest gifts will be donated to the Manna Society



OUR BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

SEPTEMBER

Harold Frederic Wilson	1985
Ada Jessie Nathanielsz	1986
Beryl Braidwood	1986
Eileen Dorothy Lyon	1987
Ada Charlotte Hughes	1992
Winston Radcliffe Wood	1994
Ronald Edwin Parker	1997
Stephen Watkins	2002
Ida Wiles	2008

OCTOBER

Ida Elizabeth Vaughan	1963
Eileen Frances Carter	1976
Marjorie Constance Liddle	1979
William John Cole	1981
Thomas Reginald Clifford Huett	1984
Gladys Ethel Bell	1985
Elsie Annie Reader	1986
Bessie Grimes	1991
Frederick James Newman	1998
Reginald Grubb	1999
Dallas Lewis	2011

NOVEMBER

John Robert Brunskill	1977
Audrey Alice Brunskill	1985
Ivy Annetta Langham	1984
Winifred Louisa Hodby	1986
Edith May Gaffney	1987
Margaret Rand	1984
William Rand	1984
Alice Mary Wood	1969
Margaret Wood	1987
Edith Mary Norman	1992
Winifred Huett	1997
Cyril Skinner	2006
Sergie Dziejko	2009

Please Note

The closing date for copy for the **Dec / Jan / Feb** Outlook will be

Thursday 17th November

Earlier contributions will be welcomed.

Please plan ahead and make sure that I am aware of any events or meetings that need to be included on the calendar.

Tony Howard

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The Retreats Fellowship

of the United Reformed Church, Southern Synod

This Fellowship is open to all who want to deepen their relationship with God through prayer, reflection and silence and who would value the encouragement of others.

Our Final Quiet Day for 2016

will be on

Saturday 1st October, 10am – 4pm

at Swanley URC, High Street, Swanley BR8 8AT

Enabler : Reverend Bernard Fidler

Cost £8 (bring packed lunch, drinks provided)

Further details from :

John Gordon 01323 845380 johnhgordon@btinternet.com

Kathy Shaw 01322 557 856 kathy.shaw316@btinternet.com

Ken Lynch 01243 862801 kenneth@synches.org.uk

I wish to book for the Quiet Day on Sat. 1st October at Swanley URC, High Street, Swanley BR8 8AT
I enclose my cheque for £8.

Name:

Address:

Tel: email:

Please make your cheque payable to : Retreats Fellowship S.P.U.R.C.
and return to :
Revd Ken Lynch, 15 Hambledon Place, Bognor Regis, PO21 2NE (01243 862801)

Men's Supper Club

We will be meeting as usual during the winter season October to March on the second Wednesday in the month at 7.30pm.

Sometimes we have a Guest Speaker or a discussion led by one of the members.

The cost is £10. You are welcome to bring a friend.

October 12

November 9

December 14

January 11

February 8

March 8

Attendance Allowance

The Government has started consultation on abolishing Attendance Allowance. This benefit is a lifeline to many older people who are unable to access services from their local council. Please sign this petition and spread the word to your friends and contacts

<https://you.38degrees.org.uk/petitions/attendance-allowance-abolished>

For more information please look at the Carersuk website:

<http://www.carersuk.org/news-and-campaigns/press-releases/carers-uk-responds-to-inclusion-of-possible-changes-to-attendance-allowance-in-business-rates-consultation>

Pete

Evergreen Care Bexley

Web: www.evergreencarebexley.org

Samantha the Gardening Lady

The services I offer are grass cutting, weeding, basic tree pruning, planting, shrub and hedge pruning, soft edging and hard edging, fence or shed painting, felling of small trees.

I do all work to a high standard and am punctual and have good cheap rates, no job is too big for me. Also I am a green gardener for the environment as I cycle to all my work placements.

Leaf your garden to me.

Special Offer, first 2 hours £16, then £10 per hour.

Home: 020 8306 2400 mob: 07717 948725

Mustard Seed Relief Mission

We are now at the beginning of the charities 23rd year. As always I am proud to report that we continue to make a difference to children's lives.

Thanks to kind support the charity continues to spread joy, love and happiness to many thousands of disadvantaged children who feel truly loved by the English Churches, Schools, Companies, Rotary Clubs and individuals who send their 'Love in a Box'. These children continue to look forward to and appreciate Christmas time when they receive their special present.

This year we will continue to work hard to raise the charity profile and invite more schools, churches etc. to support this great cause.

Lisa Smart, Director of Mustard Seed.

Love in a Box

This part of the operation is, after more than a decade one of the best known of our activities. We begin collecting the boxes at the end of October every year. Schools, churches, other organisations and individuals collect and pack items into shoeboxes for us to send to under privileged children throughout Eastern Europe. We have sent on average 40,000 boxes each year and each one is individually received by a child.

Each box is sent to us with a 'love in a box' leaflet. A donation of £3.00 per box is requested and this goes towards some of the transportation costs.

How to fill boxes

The boxes need to be filled with items suitable for whichever age group you decide to choose. These are listed on the leaflet which needs to be attached to the box when complete. Hats, gloves and scarves are the only items of clothing permitted.

What to put in boxes

We categorise the boxes by gender and age.

Boys 3 - 5 years old. Toy cars / Ball / Jigsaw / Picture Book / Soft Sweets / Crayons / Pencils / Soft Toy / Soap / Flannel / Toothbrush and Toothpaste / Hairbrush / Comb/ Hat / Gloves.

Girls 3 - 5 years old. Toy dolly / Everything else as for boys.

Girls 6 - 11 years old. Toy Dolly / Skipping Rope / Jewellery / Ball / Playing Cards / Sweets / Book / Felt Tip Pens / Pencils / Paper / Soft Toy / Flannel / Toothbrush / Toothpaste / Soap / Hat / Scarf / Gloves.

Boys 6 - 11 years old. Toy car / Yoyo / Everything else as for girls.

Boys 12 -15 years old. Marbles / Travel games / Juggling Balls / Baseball Cap / Playing Cards / Geometry Set / Note Book / Pens / Pencils / Soft Toy / Sweets / Soap / Flannel/ /Toothpaste / Toothbrush / Gloves / Scarves.

Girls 12 - 15 years old. Hair accessories / Jewellery / New Make up / Perfume Stick / Talc / Deodorant / Dolly / Skipping Rope / Everything else as for boys.

Leaflets will be available in church, and completed boxes need to be in church by the **end of October**.

Dates For Your Diary

SEPTEMBER

Thu	1		
Fri	2	Coffee morning 10.30 am	
Sat	3		
Sun	4	10.30 am Mr David Gloin	
Mon	5		Women's hour 2.00 pm
Tue	6		
Wed	7		
Thu	8		
Fri	9	Coffee morning 10.30 am	
Sat	10		4 - 6pm Messy Church
Sun	11	10.30 am Rev Juliet Ushewokunze	Parade and Family service
Mon	12		Women's hour 2.00 pm
Tue	13		
Wed	14		
Thu	15		
Fri	16	Coffee morning 10.30 am	
Sat	17		
Sun	18	10.30 am Mrs Joan Mayes	
Mon	19		Women's hour 2.00 pm
Tue	20		
Wed	21		
Thu	22		
Fri	23	Coffee morning 10.30 am	
Sat	24		
Sun	25	10.30 am Rev Juliet Ushewokunze	Circuit Service Chislehurst + Tea 4.00pm
Mon	26		Women's hour 2.00 pm
Tue	27		
Wed	28		
Thu	29		
Fri	30		

Dates For Your Diary

OCTOBER

Sat	1		
Sun	2	10.30 am	Mrs Pat Woodison
Mon	3		Women's hour 2.00 pm
Tue	4		
Wed	5		
Thu	6		
Fri	7	Coffee morning 10.30 am	
Sat	8	10.00 am	Decorate for Harvest
Sun	9	10.30 am	Rev Juliet Ushewokunze
Mon	10		4 - 6pm Messy Church Harvest + Lunch
Tue	11		Women's hour 2.00 pm
Wed	12		Supper Club
Thu	13		
Fri	14	Coffee morning 10.30 am	
Sat	15		
Sun	16	10.30 am	Rev Juliet Ushewokunze
Mon	17		Women's hour 2.00 pm
Tue	18		
Wed	19		
Thu	20		
Fri	21	Coffee morning 10.30 am	
Sat	22		
Sun	23	10.30 am	Mrs Sue Cope
Mon	24		Women's hour 2.00 pm
Tue	25		
Wed	26		
Thu	27		
Fri	28	Coffee morning 10.30 am	
Sat	29		
Sun	30	10.30 am	Rev Juliet Ushewokunze
Mon	31		Communion Women's hour 2.00 pm

Dates For Your Diary

NOVEMBER

Tue	1		
Wed	2	10.30 am	Elder's Meeting
Thu	3		
Fri	4		Coffee morning 10.30 am
Sat	5		
Sun	6	10.30 am	Miss Rudado Ushewokunze
Mon	7		Women's hour 2.00 pm
Tue	8		
Wed	9		Supper Club
Thu	10		
Fri	11		Coffee morning 10.30 am
Sat	12		4 - 6pm Messy Church
Sun	13	10.30 am	Rev Juliet Ushewokunze Remembrance Day Parade
Mon	14		Women's hour 2.00 pm
Tue	15		
Wed	16		
Thu	17		Outlook Copy due
Fri	18		Coffee morning 10.30 am
Sat	19		
Sun	20	10.30 am	Mrs Julie Gardner Annual Meeting
Mon	21		Women's hour 2.00 pm
Tue	22		
Wed	23		
Thu	24		
Fri	25		Coffee morning 10.30 am
Sat	26		Women's hour Christmas Market
Sun	27	10.30 am	Rev Juliet Ushewokunze Communion. Love in a Box
Mon	28		Women's hour 2.00 pm
Tue	29		
Wed	30		

Weekday Activities

Monday	2.00pm 5.45pm 6.30pm 7.30pm	Woman's Hour (except Bank Hols) 3rd Sidcup Beavers 3rd Sidcup Cub Scouts 3rd Sidcup Scouts
Thursday	10.00am	Ladies Morning Club
Friday	10.30am—noon 1.30pm 6.00pm 7.30pm	Coffee Morning Parents & Toddlers Club 6th Sidcup Brownies 4th Sidcup Guides



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