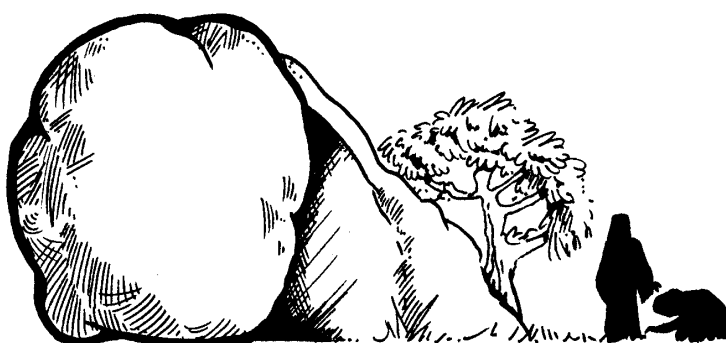


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FROM THE MINISTER

***THE LORD IS RISEN! He is Risen indeed, Alle-
luia!***

How wonderful it must have been for Mary to see Jesus and know that he had come alive! On Easter Sunday morning, after Mary of Magdala sees that the stone has been removed from the entrance of the tomb, she runs to tell Peter and the Beloved Disciple. They run to see that the tomb is empty. Jesus is alive! One can only imagine their excitement.

Easter is the most important festival in the Christian calendar but I wonder how many of you will wake up on Easter day to find that they had got an Easter Egg, or how many you will give away? Indeed, some churches are preparing to give away Easter Eggs. But ever wondered why we give eggs at Easter, why do people decorate hard-boiled eggs, and go egg rolling? Why an egg at all? And what's so important about eggs at Easter?

Questions, questions, questions! An egg looks as though it is dead, it looks like a stone, but something alive comes out of it. An egg represents the tomb of Jesus, out of which he appeared alive at Easter after dying on Good Friday.

Easter began in the dark and in the tomb. The Easter we celebrate is an invitation out of darkness into the light of the risen Christ. It is that light which enables us to tell that darkness has ended and day, in the form of light and newness, is on its way back to us.

Easter Sunday marks an important season in which the church will celebrate for more than just one day, but through to Ascension Day, 10th May; forty days after the resurrection and when

Christ's spirit ascends to heaven.

Jesus alive ... that's the amazing news about Easter. It is therefore important that we make a great fuss and deck our churches with all the bright and cheerful Easter flowers, because it takes place in Spring, when all the world of nature is coming to life again...., well when the weather goes according to plan and no SNOW!

Friends, Easter is about our being made 'New again'. The second letter to the Christians at Corinth reads: *"When anyone is joined to Christ they become a new being: the old person has gone, and a new person has come"*. And so in this wonderful promise of Easter, of light and new life, I send you our warmest wishes and the blessings of the risen Christ! Above all, enjoy your EASTER EGG!

Alleluia, He is Risen! He is risen indeed, Alleluia

Abe

Revd Abe Konadu-Yiadom

ROUND THE FAMILY

Our Church family is mourning the death of Thomas Tchine on 24th February. Thomas had been unwell for some time, but his sudden death was a shock to many of us. Thomas served as one of our Church Stewards and was always willing to help in church activities. Members of the Church were privileged to join with the Ivory Coast community in a service of Thanksgiving for Thomas's life before the funeral in the Ivory Coast. Our thoughts and prayers are with Alphonsine, Olivia, Grace and John at this sad time.

Please also remember Anita Yusuf who is recovering from a knee operation and Joan Loring, who has had another stay in hospital following a fall.

Marian

GENERAL CHURCH MEETING

The Annual General Church Meeting is to be held on Sunday 22nd April as part of the morning service. The Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church (CPD) says that "The meeting shall be held for fellowship, for mutual counsel respecting the condition of the Local Church, including its financial affairs, for the election of church stewards and representatives and for any other purpose which the Conference may direct."

During the Meeting we have reports about the various parts of our church life e.g. Finance, Property, Junior Church, fellowship groups etc and we elect representatives of the church community to serve on the Church Council for the next year. The Church Stewards are also appointed at this meeting.

Further details of the meeting, together with nomination forms for representatives to serve on the Church Council, and for Stewards, will be distributed shortly. If you would like to know more about what is involved in being a member of the Church Council, or serving as a steward, please speak to me or Abe.

Marian



CHANGES TO THE SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE

Following the Church Visioning Review held at the end of last year, the Church Stewards have been considering the responses received from the congregation about some of the matters raised in the Review.

Fellowship There was concern that there were limited opportunities for fellowship after morning service, and for the chance to speak to new people coming to the church. Although it was acknowledged that some members engaged them in conversation, it was felt that this would be more effective over a cup of tea after the service. Also, many members of the congregation only see each other on a Sunday, so a chance to chat over a cup of tea would be welcome.

Time of morning service. In view of the above, it was recommended by the stewards that the time of the morning service be changed to 10.30am. The Church Council discussed this matter at their last meeting and voted to recommend to the General Church Meeting that the time of the morning service should be changed to 10.30am to give more time to enable further fellowship after the service. This decision will be discussed at the General Church Meeting on Sunday 22nd April, following which a final decision will be made.

Please think carefully about whether you are in favour of the time of the morning service being changed to 10.30am. Would this affect other things you or your family do on a Sunday? If you have children, would an earlier start time mean a rush to get everyone ready in time? Are there other reasons that would make an earlier start inconvenient for you? Conversely, an earlier start time may be beneficial for you if you have other things you have to do on Sunday afternoons. Some churches in the Circuit already have their morning service at 10.30am, so preachers are used to an earlier starting time.

If you have any questions about the proposals, have a word with one of the Stewards, and if you are unable to be at the General Church Meeting, please let me or one of the Stewards know your opinion on the proposed change.

Marian



BLACKHEATH AND CRYSTAL PALACE CIRCUIT

EASTER OFFERING SERVICE

Sunday 29th April at 4.30pm

At Upper Norwood Methodist Church

Preacher : The Rev. Dee Yeadon

NEWS FROM LIVING HOPE

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your continued support of Living Hope.

I understand that it has been a while since you have heard from Living Hope. Living Hope school is extremely grateful for your continued support and prayers. All the children and school are progressing well and the school is growing from strength to strength.

At the beginning of last year, I visited the school just to see how everything is progressing. When I got to see the children they definitely looked a lot bigger than last time I saw them. It was a great joy to see them growing in their learning and confidence. Most of the children are now using computers for educational games, such as English language and Maths. One of the teachers commented that the computer games have made learning fun for the children.

During one of the weekends, I took all of our teachers to visit libraries and a museum in Lahore. The purpose of the visit was to get some inspiration and ideas to inspire their teaching. It was a great experience for them. Most of the teachers had never been to a museum, so it was all new to them. They took lots of photographs that they could take back to school to show the students.

Now it is nearly the end of their School year. At the end of March, the students will move to their next class.

Your prayers and support are making a huge difference to our students' and teachers' lives. In the next few years, we will have helped many families to educate their children. With our school, we are breeding hope and confidence in young minds which is going to make a huge impact for many years to come!

Please continue to pray for the work of Living Hope and its community,

Thank you,

God bless,

Imran

HEALING MINISTRY AT CENTRAL HALL, WESTMINSTER

HEALING MINISTRY

At the heart of healing ministry at MCHW is our conviction that God wants to channel healing grace to all who seek healing and wholeness in their lives. Prayer is offered for healing in body, mind and spirit, in the name of Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The Healing Prayer Team at MCHW is available to offer ministry as follows.

Healing Services

The first Sunday evening of each month at 6-30pm in the Great Hall.

The third Thursday of each month at 12-30pm in the Chapel.

Healing Space

A drop-in facility for those wanting a listening ear and prayer.

Second Saturday of the month in the Chapel/Broadbent Room from 11-00am to 1-00pm.

Healing Prayer is offered after each Sunday morning service in the Great Hall.

Healing Ministry Explored is an online course enabling groups and churches to consider setting up some form of healing ministry.

Parkinson's Advice Centre is the first such centre in Westminster. Meetings are for people with Parkinson's, their carers and those interested in learning about the illness. Meetings are held on the first Friday of each month from 2pm – 4pm.

God's Healing Love

Staff from MCHW contribute to this weekly programme on Premier Christian Radio with whom we work closely in promoting the annual **Healing Conference** which takes place at Methodist Central Hall Westminster in May.

Revd. Peter Edwards
Minister responsible for Healing Ministry

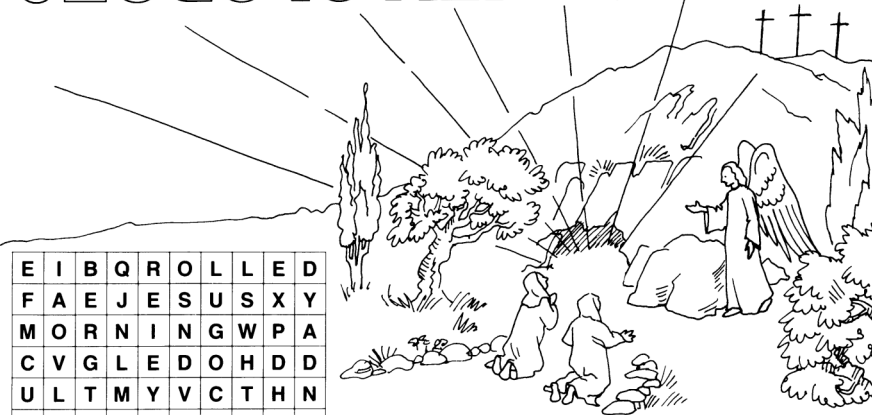
For more details see <https://methodist-central-hall.org.uk/healing-ministry>

FOR OUR YOUNGER READERS

Here is an Easter Wordsearch for you. Find all the words that are in CAPITAL LETTERS. Words can be found across, down or diagonally.

JESUS IS ALIVE!

Luke 24:33-34



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EARLY on SUNDAY MORNING the WOMEN went to the TOMB. They found the STONE had been ROLLED AWAY. An ANGEL told them that JESUS was ALIVE again, just as he had PROMISED! Mark 16:1-8



OXFAM

Normally when I place an article about OXFAM in the magazine I tell you a little of the work they are currently engaged in.

Because of the recent sad events that have come to light I felt I should let you know that we, at Anerley Church, will be continuing to support the work that OXFAM is doing.

The behaviour of a few people, we feel, should not affect our concern for the needs of those living in poverty and destitute situations. Neither should we remove our support for the staff who continue to work and help those in desperate need.

Our Pledged Giving will continue and if anyone would like to contribute on a regular basis I will be more than happy to add you to our list of contributors.

Thank you.

Valerie



COOKERY CORNER

Jam Buns

Ingredients

100gr. (4oz) self-raising flour	pinch of salt
50gr.(2oz) margarine	1 egg
50gr. (2oz) sugar	jam

Method

1. Prepare a flat greased baking tin
2. Prepare the oven for moderately hot 350°-400° F, (180°-200°C, gas mark 4-6).
3. Sieve the flour and salt
4. Add the sugar and mix well
5. Add margarine and rub gently until like breadcrumbs
6. Break the egg and sprinkle over the flour mixture.
7. Beat thoroughly with a fork until it is one piece.
8. Place on a floured board and roll into a sausage shape.
9. Divide into six pieces, evenly
10. Shape, and make a hole in the centre for jam
11. Place the buns on the greased baking tin and fill holes with jam
12. Bake at once in prepared oven for 15-20 minutes.

NB. This recipe was from 1954 in a school recipe book I had made, and I had to write out spelling mistakes three times!

Ann Vickery

Forest Hill Tuesday Fellowship, is an ecumenical fellowship group, meeting most weeks on Tuesday afternoons at Forest Hill Methodist Church and Centre, Normanton Street, SE23 2DS, We meet from 2 p.m. for tea and coffee and devotions take place from 2.30pm to 3:30pm with a varied programme of activities and talks on secular and spiritual topics, not duplicating what happens in the church.

We extend the invitation to everyone in our communities, neighbouring churches and the circuit, to come and sample what we can offer each other, whether as an occasional or regular attendee.

Meetings in April and May are listed below.

APRIL

Tuesday 3rd	No Meeting
Tuesday 10th	2.30pm Card making with Sue Rhodes
Tuesday 17th	No Meeting
Tuesday 24th	2.30pm Rev. Dr. Stephen Maunder

MAY

Tuesday 1st	2.30pm Rev. Dee Yeadon "May Day"
Tuesday 8th	No Meeting
Tuesday 15th	2.30pm General Crime Prevention and scams with the local PCSO
Tuesday 22nd	2.30pm Tuesday Fellowship Anniversary Celebrations
Tuesday 29th	No Meeting

If you would like further details of meeting topics, or to offer to speak at TF, then please contact me by email (suerhodespersonal@gmail.com). Alternatively, a message can be left for me at the FHMCC office (020 8291 6996) Many thanks.

SUE RHODES (Tuesday Fellowship secretary)



Penge Community Pre-School

Leader: Sarah Batchelor

Anerley Methodist Church

Deputy Leader: Sue Charlesworth

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LINGK Fellowship Sunday 1-4pm	Tel. 07939 367 333
Only Believe Assembly Tues. 7.30pm– 10.30pm	Tel.020 8778 0863
Penge Community Pre-School Monday to Friday 9.15am to 4pm	Tel. 020 8289 6771
Salvation & Deliverance Ministry Sunday 2pm to 4.30pm;	Tel. 020 8683 3094
Tai Chi - Thursday 8pm - 10pm	Tel. 01424 420 050

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

APRIL

Sun 1st	Easter Sunday Early Communion 9.15am (followed by breakfast), led by Rev. Abe Konadu-Yiadom 10.50am Hymns for Easter Morning. 11am Easter All Age Worship led by Valerie Tredinnick
Wed 4 th	Wednesday Club 8pm Music Evening
Mon 9th	Christian Action Group 8pm at 32 Lloyds Way, Speaker: Juliette Alleyne
Wed 11 th	Wednesday Club 8pm Cat Bingo
Wed 18th	Wednesday Club 8pm: Pictures of Llandudno
Sun 22nd	General Church Meeting
Wed 25th	Wednesday Club 8pm: WOT
Sun 29th	Circuit Easter Offering Service 4.30pm at Upper Norwood Methodist Church.

MAY

Wed 2 nd	Wednesday Club 8pm Nature Trail Game
Wed 9th	Wednesday Club 8pm Surprise Evening
Sun 13 th	Church Anniversary 11am Preacher: Rev. Cameron Kirkwood
Sun 13 th	MAGAZINE ITEMS TO BE GIVEN TO MARIAN
Wed 16 th	Wednesday Club 8pm Programme Planning
Sat 19th	Special Saturday Pentecost Celebration (more details later)
Mon 21st	Christian Action Group 8pm at 28 Chesham Road. Speaker: Clarence Hunte
Wed 23rd	Wednesday Club 7.15pm Meal at Coombe Lodge

Sun 27th	All Age Worship led by the Worship Leaders.
Wed 30th	Wednesday Club 8pm Card Making

JUNE

Sat 2nd	Penge Festival Fete at Royston Field 11am – 5pm
Tue 12th	Circuit Meeting 7.45pm at Forest Hill Church
Mon 18th	Christian Action Group 8pm at 5 Percy Road Speaker: Rev. Stephen Maunder
Sat 23rd	Circuit Missions Garden Party at Forest Hill Methodist Church

Morning services are held every Sunday at 11am. Holy Communion is usually celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of the Month and All Age Worship usually takes place on the 4th Sunday. However, in April Holy Communion will be celebrated on Easter Sunday (1st) at 9.15am and All Age Worship will be on the same day at 11am.,

Evening Services are usually held at the church on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 6.30pm, and Holy Communion is usually celebrated on the 2nd Sunday. In April, the evening services will be held on Sunday 8th (HC) and Sunday 22nd. In May the evening services will be held on 13th May (HC) and 27th May.

A Prayer Meeting is held at the Church every Thursday between 10am and 11.30am. Drop in and out as you wish.