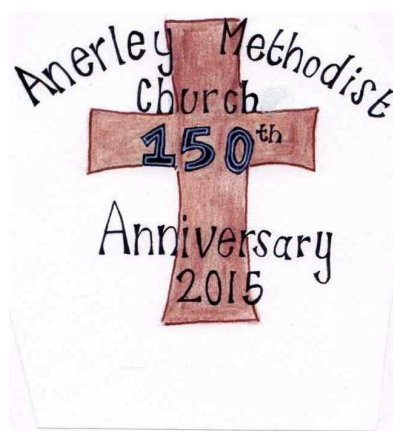


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FROM THE MINISTER

Dear Friends,

During this Lent I had the privilege to attend a couple of the Lent study sessions held at Anerley. This year we explored *Songs of Praise in the New Testament*, covering various topics that inspired and moved people of the New Testament to singing and praising God, who made their salvation possible through the life, death and resurrection of his beloved Son Jesus Christ.

For some reason the atmosphere of those study sessions was different than usual. You could feel the energy and enthusiasm of the groups as a result of the increased membership, double! This lifted our spirits and generated inspiring conversations. It offered me an opportunity for collective learning, listening to other people's views and growing in my Christian understanding, love and care for one another. I enjoyed our conversations about gratitude and humility.

During this Lent I have been reflecting on words like these. In this letter I would like to reflect on my learning on one of these words and perhaps offer you some thoughts for this Easter Season.

The session on gratitude highlighted that being thankful is a spiritual discipline. For many of us, being grateful is not a default setting, but it is something we can learn through practice. It is about being mindful of every opportunity that has the potential for us to be thankful people. The more we become

aware of the things that God and others have done for us, the more thankful we will be.

Happiness is a common attribute that we all want in our lives, but how we imagine our happiness is different from one another. I found it very interesting how this session linked happiness or joy with gratitude. There are some who might think that the happier you feel, the more thankful you would be, but our studies and discussion asked us to look at it from another angle. It suggested that it is not happiness that makes you grateful, but it is gratefulness that makes you happy. It made sense for me because we all know there are many people who will do everything in their power to achieve happiness, but struggle to find it. You may also know people who have lots of misfortune, but are deeply happy. They radiate a happiness that surprises us. One of the reasons for their happiness is that they are grateful people.

So the biblical formula for real joy and happiness is becoming aware of what God has done for us in Christ, and being grateful and thankful, for that will fill our hearts with praise and joy. Here I would like to offer this spiritual discipline to you for this Easter season. Try to be intentionally aware of the opportunity to be grateful and see how this response creates joy in you.

Every Blessing,

Rev. Imran

ROUND THE FAMILY

Please remember in your prayers Tunji Joseph, whose mother has died in Nigeria. Also Jenny Cocking, wife of our former minister the Rev. Graham Cocking, who is awaiting an operation for cancer, and has just been admitted to hospital with a serious infection; and the Rev. Peter Coates, another former Minister, who is recovering from a further throat operation. We were also sorry to hear of the death of Hazel Webb (nee Smith), the wife of our former Youth Leader Roy Webb, on 25th January 2015. Please remember all these people and their families in your prayers.

We were pleased to receive into the Church family Amelya Cheya Blenman-Burke, daughter of Danielle Blenman and Adrian Burke, at her baptism on 25th January 2015. It was good to welcome her family and friends to this special service.

Marian

Church Library

Those of you who use the Church Library may have noticed there are some new books for you to read. Please do take the opportunity to borrow the books. Most of them are quite light reading – no deep theology but real life stories and some novels together with reflections and humour. Try one and let me know how you get on.

Valerie

150th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Our celebratory year celebrations start with the Hobbies and Handicrafts Afternoon on 28th March, which, at time of writing, is still to come. Several members of the congregation have offered to display their hobbies, which range from knitting and sewing to walking and gardening, with other interesting and unusual hobbies in between. If you have visited the exhibition I hope that you enjoyed seeing all the exhibits — it may even have given you an idea for a new hobby!

The first of our former Ministers, Rev. George Lovell, returns to lead our service on Sunday 19th April. Mr. Lovell was Minister of our Church from 1962 to 1966.

On Saturday 9th May we shall be having an Afro-Caribbean evening, with the Endurance Steel Band, at 7.30pm. Tickets are Adult £7, Child £5, Family ticket (2 adults and 3 children) £17.

On Sunday 10th May our 150th Anniversary service at 11am will be conducted by the President of the Methodist Conference, the Rev. Kenneth Howcroft, followed by a Bring and Share meal and cutting of a celebration cake.

During both days there will be a display of memorabilia associated with the church at Anerley.

Souvenir mugs (£7), pens (£1) and t-shirts (adult £15, child £10, prices to be confirmed) are on sale—please see Audrey Bobb-Sayers for mugs and t-shirts and Marian Young for pens.

Church Story – Books 1 & 2

Both of these books covering the years 1865 – 1929 and 1930 – 1939 are now available price £2 each. Please see Valerie for your copies and book the next eight as well, and you will receive them as they are printed throughout this 150th Anniversary year.

OXFAM

Had you realised it is ten years since the Boxing Day tsunami of 2004. The tsunami devastated whole areas around the Indian Ocean and many people lost their homes and livelihoods. Many more lost their lives.

T. Buhari, a fisherman from Aceh Province, Sumatra had never heard of OXFAM but after three years of hands on help from them he cannot praise OXFAM enough. You can read his story on the April Pledged Giving Newsletter. Better still, sign up and become a pledged giver for as little as 5p per month – you can do it – and every little helps to go a long way for people like T. Buhari.

Valerie

BECKENHAM STREET PASTORS

Our Retiring Collections during March went to Beckenham Street Pastors, and Andrew Tredinnick has received the following letter from them:-

“Thank you so much for the most unexpected gift from Anerley Methodist Church. It is such an encouragement to us to know that you have thought of us and made this contribution – we are very grateful for the cheque which we will use to top up our supplies of flip-flops., lollipops, water and even sleeping bags, which we give out when needed.

“Our small team have been out on the High Street of Beckenham on a Friday night for 7 years and are now accepted as members of local churches caring and ensuring security for those enjoying the restaurants, bars and clubs.

“We are always looking for more people, especially men, to join Street Pastors, so if any of your members are interested in observing what we do on a Friday night, or are interested in joining us, then do please get them to contact me*.

“Again many thanks to you all for this kind gift.

“Yours sincerely

“Jenny Davis

“Co-ordinator of Beckenham Street Pastors”

* If anyone wants more details, please speak with Andrew.

COOKERY CORNER

Queen of Puddings

Cooking time: 1 hour & 10 minutes.

Oven Temperature 350°F/ mark 4/ 180°C reducing to 300°F/Mark 2/150°C

Ingredients

40gr (1½ oz) breadcrumbs	2 eggs
12gr. (½ oz) butter	1 tablespn. jam
1 dessertspn. sugar	75gr.(3 oz) sugar
Grated rind of ½ lemon	cherries and angelica
1 small can evaporated milk	

Method

1. Put breadcrumbs, butter, dessertspoon of sugar and lemon rind in a basin.
2. Make evaporated milk up to 450 ml (¾ pint) with water.
3. Warm milk, pour onto breadcrumbs and allow to stand for 10 minutes..
4. Separate the eggs and beat yolks into milk mixture.
5. Turn into a buttered pint-sized pie dish and bake in a moderate oven for 30 mins. until set, then spread with jam
6. For meringue: whip egg whites stiffly, whip in 1 tablespn. sugar, fold in the remainder
7. Pile meringue on top of the pudding and bake in a cool oven for 40 minutes or until meringue is firm and lightly browned.
8. Decorate with cherries and angelica

Ann Vickery

METHODIST TALENTS FESTIVAL 2015

The marks obtained by entrants from our Church in the Methodist Talents Festival held at Shirley Methodist Church on 7th March are as follows. Well done, everyone!

ORIGINAL POEM(19 and over)

Peter Boreham	91% Winner
Julie Taylor	85%

HYMN WORDS (any age)

Julie Taylor	87% Winner
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PRAYER WRITING (19 years and over)

Julie Taylor	89% Winner
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LIMERICK (19-49 years)

Peter Boreham	96% Winner
Julie Taylor	94%

SHORT STORY (19 years and over)

Julie Taylor	96%
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MINI SAGA

Peter Boreham	72%
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HANDWRITING (60 years and over)

Marian Young	89%
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NEEDLEWORK (19 years and over)

Margaret Boreham	70%
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CROSS STITCH (any age)

Marian Young	91%
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HAND KNITTING (19 years and over)

Margaret Boreham	98%
Marian Young	82%

CARD MAKING (7 years and under)

John Tchine	65%
Imogen Oppong	65%
Florence Oppong	65%
Hannah Oppong	66% Winner

CARD MAKING (8-11 years)

Joanna Agyei-Guy	68% Winner
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CARD MAKING (19 years and over)

Janice Friend	70%
Evelyn Richards	62%
Marian Young	64%

COLLAGE (5 years and under)

John Tchine	69%
Imogen Oppong	69%
Florence Oppong	69%
Hannah Oppong	69%

COLLAGE (8 -9 YEARS)

Joanna Agyei-Guy	64%
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COLLAGE (14-18 YEARS)

Reisha Bobb-Sayers	80%
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COLLAGE (19 YEARS AND OVER)

Margaret Boreham	88%
Peter Boreham	87%

PHOTOGRAPHY (19 years and over)

Peter Boreham	95% Winner
Julie Taylor	79%
Ronald Butler	63%
Evelyn Richards	60%

PHOTOGRAPHY PORTFOLIO (Any age)

Julie Taylor	85%
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DRAWING (10-11 years)

Grace Tchine 90% Winner

DRAWING (19 years and over)

Peter Boreham 80%

COOKERY (11 years and under)

Joanna Agyei-Guy 95% Winner

COOKERY (12 – 18 years)

Christopher Agyei-Guy 95% Winner

Ayo Joseph 70%

POETRY READING (70 years and over)

Marian Young 89%

BIBLE READING (19 – 59 years)

Julie Taylor 89%

BIBLE READING (70 years and over)

Marian Young 87%

LEWISHAM and CRYSTAL PALACE CIRCUIT

EASTER OFFERING SERVICE

Sunday 26th April

At 4.30pm

At Burnt Ash Methodist Church

Burnt Ash Hill, SE12 0QD

Speaker: Jackie Fowler

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

APRIL

Wed 1 st	Wednesday Club 8pm: Decorate an Easter Egg
Thur 2nd	Maundy Thursday Lovefeast 7pm at Upper Norwood
Fri 3rd	Good Friday service 9.15am
Sun 5th	Easter Morning Communion at 9.15am followed by breakfast Easter All Age Worship 11am. Preacher: Valerie Tredinnick
Wed 8 th	Wednesday Club 8pm UNO
Sun 12th	General Church Meeting after morning worship.
Mon 13th	Christian Action Group 8pm at 28 Chesham Road, Speaker: Rev. Alan Argent, Trinity Congregational Church, Brixton
Tue 14th	Stewards' Meeting 8pm at 19 Felmingham Road
Wed 15 th	Wednesday Club 8pm Quiz
Sun 19th	Morning Service 11am. Preacher: Rev. George Lovell, Minister from 1962 –1966, followed by refreshments
Wed 22nd	Wednesday Club 8pm Surprise Evening
Sun 26th	All Age Worship 11am. Preacher: Milton Boothe
Sun 26th	Easter Offering Service 4.30 pm at Burnt Ash Methodist Church. Preacher: Jackie Fowler
Wed 29th	Wednesday Club 8pm The Solar Eclipse

MAY

Wed 6 th	Wednesday Club 8pm Programme Planning
Sat 9th	Display of Church memorabilia 2.30 pm Afro-Caribbean Evening 7.30pm with Endurance Steel Band

Sun 10 th	150th Church Anniversary 11am Preacher: Rev. Kenneth Howcroft, President of the Methodist Conference, followed by Bring and Share Lunch
Sun 10 th	MAGAZINE ITEMS TO BE GIVEN TO MARIAN
Mon 11th	Christian Action Group 8pm at 163 Clock House Road Speaker: David Lemmon
Wed 13 th	Wednesday Club 8pm Surprise Evening
Wed 20th	Wednesday Club Meal 7.15pm Coombe Lodge
Sun 24 th	All Age Worship 11am Preacher: Rev. John Taylor
Wed 27 th	Wednesday Club Ramble Meet 7.15pm at 32 Lloyds Way

JUNE

Sat 13th	Penge Festival Fete at Royston Field 11am – 4pm
Sat 13th	Circuit Missions Garden Party at Forest Hill Methodist Church
Tue 9th	Christian Action Group 8pm at 32 Lloyds Way-Speaker: John Beasley
Thur 18th	Special Church Council meeting 8pm at the Church
Sat 20th	Family Fun Day

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. During April Holy Communion will be celebrated at the Easter Communion Service at 9.15am and the 11am service will be an additional All Age Worship.

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. However, during April there will be no evening service on the 4th Sunday (the 26th).