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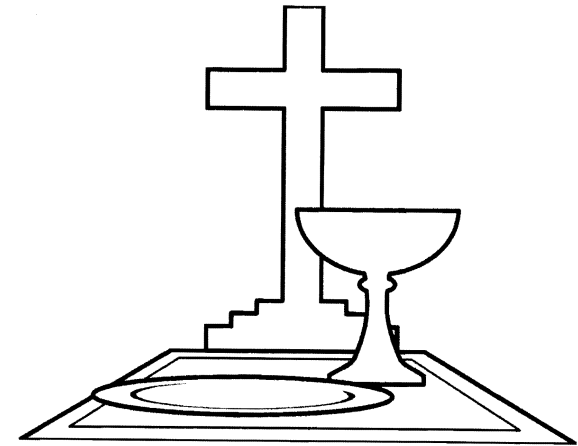
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# ANERLEY CENTRE ECHO



## LENT 2013

The Newsletter of  
**ANERLEY METHODIST CHURCH**

Oakfield Road

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**FROM THE MINISTER**

Not long ago we went through the advent season of watching and waiting. Now we are about to enter into a time of observing Lent. Lent is a period of 40 days not including Sundays. Generally those who observe Lent seek to give up (temporarily or permanently), or take on, something different. Giving up for Lent could involve stopping eating meat, giving up chocolate or stopping smoking. Taking on could involve building new habits such as exercising daily, ensuring that you only buy fair trade food, making an effort to contact distant friends, or start reading the Bible and praying daily. But most importantly Lent offers us all a very special opportunity to grow in our relationship with God and deepen our commitment to a way of life that glorifies Him. In all our business, Lent provides us with an opportunity to reflect upon our spiritual life, to pray persistently, to repent for failing God in our lives, to ask God for renewal and to be generous in receiving and giving.

Above all this, in this season God is inviting us once again to come back to Him with all our hearts. This is an amazing invitation for all of us. As community and individuals we can drop our defences that separate us from God. He is calling us to enjoy His everlasting love for everyone. But this enjoyment comes after a period of discipline and discipleship. Let us enter this Lent, a time of discipline, to receive an even cleaner heart from Him to enjoy God's Holy Love, Joy and Peace for ever.

Here is a small prayer you can say before entering this Lent.

Caring God, as I enter this Lent I discipline myself to Your holy will. Renew me and all the people around me. May my restless life find its rest in You to explore deep oceans of your immeasurable love. Let me encounter your wisdom and perception so I may do what is truly your holy will. Amen

Imran

### **The Methodist Church**

#### **Methodist Central Hall Westminster**

### **DAFFODIL DAY**

#### **REMEMBERING—REJOICING—RENEWING**

MONDAY 4TH MARCH 2013 at 2pm

Please be seated by 1.40pm with community singing at  
1.45pm

Speakers:- the Rev. Martin Turner (Superintendent Minister); Pam Rhodes (presenter, Songs of Praise and Premier Radio); the Rev. Tony Miles (Premier Presenter, Deputy Superintendent Minister); the Rev. Steve Wild (Chair of the Cornwall District); Jill Baker (President, Methodist Women in Britain); Cynthia Tudor and the Lord Mayor of Westminster.

Plus various musical items.

### **ROUND THE FAMILY**

We were sorry to hear that Patricia Sakyi was involved in a traffic accident and has badly broken her leg. Comfort Opong is still experiencing difficulties following her eye operation and has had to return to the hospital for emergency treatment. Stella Roberts is still receiving treatment for her health problems. Please remember all these people in your prayers

Our services over the Christmas period were very enjoyable and well attended, and our Junior Church presented a lively Nativity Play at the Gift Service (with the help of some of the congregation!).

The Church received Christmas and New Year greetings from the Rev. Graham and Jenny Cocking, The Rev. Judy and Alan Turner-Smith, The Rev. Andrew and Helen Maguire, Ronnie Butler, Abraham Doku, Muriel French, McPhene Pluck and family, Joan and Royce Warner, Dawn and Sarah (Pre-School), Patricia Sakyi ( who also thanked everyone for their thoughts and prayers following her accident), Upper Norwood Methodist Church, and Wesley Hall Methodist Church. Selina Williams also telephoned from Nigeria to wish everyone in the Church a happy Christmas. Rev. Andrew Maguire tells us he has now moved to be Superintendent Minister of the West Norfolk Circuit, a circuit of over 20 churches!

On 2nd December we celebrated the christening of Nana Amoakohene Agyemang-Arthur, son of Nat and Nana, and on 20th January we celebrated the christening of Isaac Louis Fanshawe Johnny, son of Joanne and Neville. We were pleased to welcome all the family and friends who came to share Nana's and Isaac's special days with them.

Marian

## WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

**FRIDAY 1st MARCH 2013**

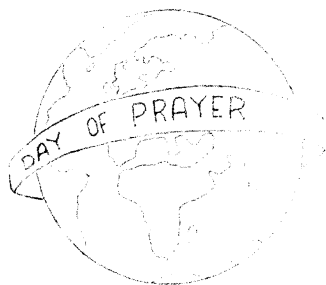
A Service prepared by Christian Women of  
France

"I was a stranger and you welcomed me"

This year the service in our area will take place at  
Holy Trinity Church, Lennard Road (to be confirmed)

**at 7.30pm**

The service is not only for women. Men are also welcome  
to attend!



### Christmas Post Boxes

Thank you to everyone who used the Post boxes. Your donations raised £115.50 (2011 = £87.42), which has been sent to St. Christopher's Hospice.

## RETIRING COLLECTIONS DURING FEBRUARY

Our retiring collections at Communion Services during February will be for Macmillan Nurses, a national charity which supports many people affected by cancer. For these people Macmillan nurses are a valued and trusted source of expert information, advice and support - free of charge. As of December 2011, there were 3,707 Macmillan nurse posts across the UK, both in hospitals and in the community. All Macmillan nurses are registered nurses with at least five years' experience, including two or more years in cancer or palliative care. They complete specialist courses in managing pain and other symptoms, and in psychological support.

## LORD FOR THE YEARS

### A CIRCUIT HYMN SERVICE

Sunday 17th March at 4pm  
at Forest Hill Methodist Church, Normanton Street.

This event follows the pattern of previous years when we shall be singing hymns and learning something about the lives of hymn writers, in this case several from the late 20th century.

Lily Carcas from Forest Hill is again forming a choir to take part in the service. Rehearsals will be on Fridays 22nd February, 1st, 8th and 15th March, all at 7.30pm. If you would like to join the choir, please contact Lily on 0208 699 5582 as soon as possible.

Otherwise, book the date to be in the congregation for a good sing!

## METHODIST TALENTS FESTIVAL

Plans for the Methodist Talents Festival, on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March at Shirley Methodist Church, are well underway. Creative entries will be adjudicated at the end of January and will be on display at the Festival. The display of handicrafts, creative writing, photographs and artwork will be impressive. Those performing – singing, playing a musical instrument, reading a Bible passage or reciting a poem or monologue – will appreciate an audience so please put the date in your diary.

The Festival will run from about 10.30 am to 5.00 pm. The final event will be the Concert which celebrates the Festival and will include performances from winners of some of the Performing classes.

Very reasonably priced refreshments will be available most of the day. You might like to come for morning coffee, a light lunch or afternoon tea, and during your visit support the work competitors from local Methodist churches have put into their entries.

This event will need voluntary help to ensure it runs smoothly. The type of help needed includes:

- Door stewards to welcome visitors to the premises
- A pair of stewards for each of the rooms where performances will be taking place.
- A steward in the Hall where handicrafts etc are displayed.
- Helpers to prepare and serve refreshments and cashiers to take money!

The more people who offer to help the better and turns on a rota will be shorter – 1-1 ½ hours if there are plenty of offers. Please let me know if you will be able to help, what help you'd like to give and the times of the day when you will be available.

Marian Young  
Talents Festival Coordinator

## CHRISTIAN AID NEWS

It has been announced that Dr. Rowan Williams is to become the new chair of the Board of Trustees of Christian Aid, after stepping down from the post of Archbishop of Canterbury at the end of December. He succeeds Dame Anne Owers, who completed her term of office as chair of Christian Aid in November. Dr. Williams will take up his post in May 2013.

Announcing his appointment in December, Christian Aid Director Ms. Loretta Minghella said, "Archbishop Rowan brings a passionate interest in tackling the symptoms and causes of poverty, a profound theological understanding, and deep experience of addressing issues of environmental, economic and social justice with church and political leaders across the world. This is wonderful news for Christian Aid."

Commenting on his appointment, Dr. Williams said, "I am very honoured indeed to be invited to chair the Board of Christian Aid. I had hoped very much to be able to continue some regular involvement in support and advocacy in the area of international justice and development, and this will allow such involvement to flourish."

"Many years of co-operation with and support for Christian Aid have made me familiar with the excellent quality of all that they do, and I am personally very happy indeed to be working with them in this new role at a time when international development issues will need the most dedicated and sustained attention."

(Taken from the Christian Aid website)

**FOOTNOTE:** We are still without a Christian Aid organiser for our church following Joan Loring's decision to step down after many years' service. If you can help at all, please speak to Andrew Tredinnick.

## COOKERY CORNER

### Queen of Puddings

Total cooking time 1hr 10 minutes

Oven temp. 350°F/Mark 4/ 180°C reducing to 300°F/Mark 2/150°C

#### Ingredients

|                                |                               |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 36gr (1½oz) fresh bread crumbs | 2eggs                         |
| 6gr. (¼ oz) sugar              | 1 tablespoon jam              |
| 1 dessertspn sugar             | 75gr (3oz) sugar for meringue |
| grated rind of ½ lemon         | glace cherries & angelica     |
| 1 small can evaporated milk    |                               |

#### Method

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

Ann Vickery

## YORK LENT STUDY COURSE 2013

### GLIMPSES OF GOD—

**Hope for today's world;**

a five-week course for Lent by Canon David Winter

Contributors: The Rt. Hon. Baroness Shirley Williams, Bishop Stephen Cottrell, the Rev. Professor David Wilkinson and the Rev. Lucy Winkett (closing reflections), with an introduction by Dr. David Hope

We shall be following this course at Anerley on Mondays 18th and 25th February, 4th, 11th and 18th March at 8pm.

18th February :Session 1: The God who hears our cry.

25th February: Session 2: The shepherd who guides and guards his people.

4th March: Session 3: The Son who is the way, the truth and the life.

11th March: Session 4: The God who shares our pain

18th March: Session 5: The God who calms our fears

More details from Valerie Tredinnick

## INTROIT FOR THE NEXT 4 MONTHS

We are here to praise you, lift our hearts and sing.  
 We are here to give you the best that we can bring.  
 And it is our love rising from our hearts -  
 Everything within us cries, "Abba! Father!"  
 Help us now to give you pleasure and delight,  
 Heart and mind and will that say, "I love You, Lord."

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## VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED




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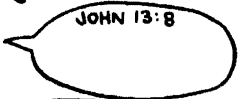
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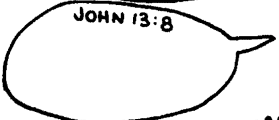
### FOOT WASHING



After the Last Supper, Jesus  
 took a  as an apron,  
 and a  full of 

He washed the  of  
 His disciples.

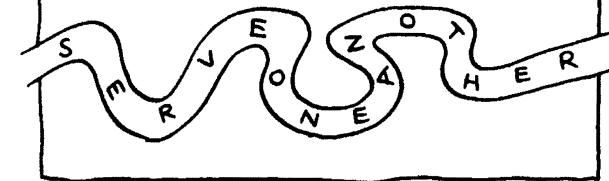
That was a job for servants.

Peter said:  JOHN 13:8

Jesus  
 answered:  JOHN 13:8

So Peter  
 wanted Jesus to wash his   
 and his  as well!

JESUS WANTS US TO:



Read this story in your Bible, in John chapter 13, verses 3—9, and write in the speech bubbles above what Peter and Jesus said to each other.



## Penge Community Pre-School

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Deputy Leader: Sue Charlesworth      Oakfield Road

SENCO: Dawn McConochie      Anerley SE20 8QA

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### FEBRUARY

- Tue 5<sup>th</sup> Circuit Meeting 7.45pm at Hither Green Methodist Church
- Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Club 8pm Musical Evening
- Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Pastoral Sub-committee 8pm at Church
- Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Club attending the Ash Wednesday service 7.30pm at Lewisham Methodist Church
- Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Lent Study Course at 8pm
- Tue 19<sup>th</sup> Christian Action Group 8pm at 163 Clock House Road. Speaker: Rev. Imran Malik
- Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Club 8pm Programme Planning
- Sun 24<sup>th</sup> All Age Worship 11.0am Preacher: Jean Pogose
- Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Lent Study Course
- Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Club 8pm Slides of past youth club holidays

### MARCH

- Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Women's World Day of Prayer 7.30pm (venue to be notified)
- Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Methodist Talents Festival at Shirley Methodist Church—see separate article
- Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Daffodil day Service at Methodist Central Hall Westminster at 2pm
- Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Lent Study Course
- Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Club 8pm
- Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Mothering Sunday 11am All Age Worship

- Sun 10<sup>th</sup> MAGAZINE ITEMS TO BE GIVEN TO MARIAN!
- Mon 11<sup>th</sup> Lent Study Course 8.00pm
- Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Club 8pm
- Thur 14<sup>th</sup> Stewards' Meeting 8pm at 4 Garden Road
- Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Circuit Hymn Service at Forest Hill Methodist Church at 4pm—see separate article
- Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Lent Study Course 8pm
- Tue 19<sup>th</sup> Christian Action Group 8pm at 5 Percy Road  
Speaker: Rev. Solomon Joseph
- Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Club 8pm
- Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Club 8pm
- Thur 28<sup>th</sup> Maundy Thursday service and meal 7.30pm at Upper Norwood
- Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Good Friday service 9.15am
- Sun 31<sup>st</sup> Easter Morning Communion at 9.15am followed by breakfast  
Easter All Age Worship 11am

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, during March All Age Worship will take place on the 10th (Mothering Sunday) and 31st (Easter Day). Communion will take place on Easter Sunday

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.