

Welshpool & Bro Hafren Methodist Circuit

All One in Christ Jesus



**Magazine & Plan
June to August 2019**

ONE IN HIM

By the time you receive and read this magazine, many of you will have planned or embarked on your summer holiday. Unless, of course, like me, you're happily retired and every day is now a holiday, even though it's filled with (hopefully) purposeful activity. Recent events and, in particular, the on-going challenge of Brexit and all the talk of the so-called "Irish back-stop", have reminded me of my one and only visit to the Republic of Ireland.

Sunday 26th September 2005 saw hundreds of Sinn Fein supporters from Northern Ireland, marching through the streets of Dublin City, in preparation for Gerry Adams' welcome announcement of that organisation's arms decommissioning. At the very same time, I was weaving my way to the Abbey Street Methodist Church or, as it's known locally, the Dublin Central Mission, at the heart of the city.

In a city boasting several fine cathedrals and churches, it's

a rather drab building and difficult to find amongst the plethora of eateries, fashion shops and pubs that populate most town or city centre thoroughfares. But the uninspiring exterior could hardly have prepared me for the wonderful sight that greeted me inside. I walked into the foyer to receive the warmest of Irish welcomes, from one Church steward after another and was greeted like a long-lost friend. Several of them were keen to tell me that they'd just returned home to Dublin, having enjoyed a wonderful holiday in...Wales, specifically in Llandudno.

I was ushered into the large and beautiful sanctuary, this time to be greeted by a veritable sea of faces – of all ages, all colours and, as it proved, of all nationalities. In truth, it resembled more a United Nations conference than your typical Methodist Church service. Both during and after the service, I was privileged to be introduced to wonderful individuals and families who hailed from East and South Africa, the

Philippines, America, Canada, India, Taiwan – yes and even Ireland. All lived or worked in and around Dublin. Many had been recruited into the Republic's health service; others were asylum seekers. Each had his or her own cultural identity and background, but all shared a common Christian faith and an experience of the truly world-wide Methodist Church.

As this was a harvest service, this international congregation was treated to the sight and sound of the Church's South African members singing the harvest hymn:

"For the fruits of his creation" to the Welsh hymn-tune "Ar hyd y nos" ("All through the night")! Not surprisingly, the Church has an infrastructure of support services and activities to meet the challenge and privilege of ministering to such a richly diverse family of believers. And yet, even in this diversity, it struck me how

apt were the words carefully embroidered into the lectern cover: **ONE IN HIM**. Amen to that.

What a privilege to be a part of that particular branch of our world-wide Church family, if only for one Sunday morning, and to return home to another.

We pray that God will heal the divisions that separate us as individuals, communities and nations, that we might embrace each other in our shared and privileged status as children of God.



"You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus, for all of you who were baptised into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all ONE IN CHRIST JESUS." (Galatians 3 v26-28)

Gareth Evans
(Visiting Preacher)

Thought for the Day

Welshpool's Jubilate Singing Group begins each of its Monday morning rehearsals with a Thought for the Day, led by one of the members. These are just two from recent weeks:

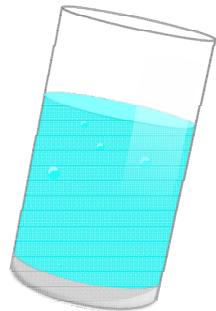
From **Tony Deacon**:

A psychologist was teaching stress management. As she raised a glass of water, she asked: "How heavy is this glass of water?"

Answers ranged from 8oz to 20oz.

She said: "The absolute weight doesn't matter. It depends on how long I hold it. If I hold it for a minute, it's not a problem. If I hold it for an hour, I'll have an ache in my arm. If I hold it for a day, my arm will feel numb and paralysed. In each case, the weight of the glass doesn't change, but the longer I hold it, the heavier it becomes."

She continued: "The stresses and worries in life are like a glass of water. Think about them for a little while and nothing happens. Think about them a bit longer and they begin to hurt. If you think about them all day long, you will feel paralysed and incapable of doing anything.
So remember: PUT THE GLASS DOWN!"



From **Prue Bowen**:

In Lydford churchyard in East Anglia, there is an epitaph which reveals a great deal about its subject:

"Here lies in a horizontal position, the outside case of
George Groutledge, watchmaker.

Integrity was the main spring, and prudence the regulator
of all the actions of his life, humane, generous and liberal.

His hand never stopped 'til it relieved distress.

So nicely regulated were his movements that he never
went wrong, except when set going by people who did not
know the key.

Even then, he was easily set right again.

He had the art of disposing of his time so well
'til his hours glided away and his pulse stopped beating.

He ran down on Nov 14th, 1801, aged 57, in hopes of
being taken in hand by his maker,
thoroughly cleaned, repaired, wound up, and set going in
the world to come,
when time shall be no more".



**What could your epitaph
reveal about you?**

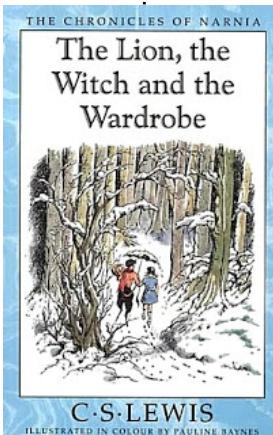
Janice Rhodes, Welshpool



Rev Bob's Letter

Dear Friends,

If I can borrow an image from The Narnia Chronicles, I first found my way through the wardrobe in 1974. In early September I packed my worldly goods – clothes and library – into a tin trunk and a suitcase, placed them on and in the Triumph Toledo that was the family car back then and set off for suburban Manchester – Didsbury to be precise. The first of many such journeys in both directions over the next three years. What was then the British Isles Nazarene College was both an exciting and a scary place to be – after the first week I'd had as much as I could take and returned home for the weekend – I needed to be sure that what I'd left was where and as I left it, just in case Narnia proved to be more than I could handle and I had to



get back through the wardrobe in a hurry. In the event it was where and as I left it, it was home but it wasn't really mine any more – I had moved on and in just a week I had become someone other than the boy I had been.

There were many other newcomers that September but of particular interest to me were the 'old stagers' – Tom Mitchell, Hugh Rae, Kent Brower, and Bill Rolland to name but four – later on of course Herbert McGonigle and Tom Noble became a part of the company. Brian Farmer and Colin Wood opened some windows into theology and music respectively. I had become a practitioner of the faith a couple of years previously and was soon seized by the idea of the preaching ministry as my life purpose. I had been part of a youth fellowship that was always delighted to get together

round an open Bible to initially talk and later argue about what may or may not have been going on in the mind of the writer at the time. We were not far from that group immortalised in the *Teenager is not a Disease* collection of Charles Schulz, in which a young man declares to the meeting that he has started to unravel the mystery of Revelation –

"I've read it."

The preaching of the Rev'd. Frank Burnham and the daily Bible notes I read

were beneficial but 'irregular' for want of a better word. I needed a foundation to steady my infant faith, I needed a filing system in which I could store insight and information for future reference. By May 1977 my faith was steadied and my filing system filling up.

Foundations need regular maintenance and filing systems need regular sorting and periodically since

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then I have had the opportunity to submit my faith for scrutiny by my peers – by the tutors of Lincoln and by colleagues in Circuit and lately in company with the Rev'd. Chris Gray. It is my faith and primarily my responsibility but it is far too precious to be left to me alone to manage and develop, we are placed in congregations and families to learn of each other – formally and informally – learning and the conservation of

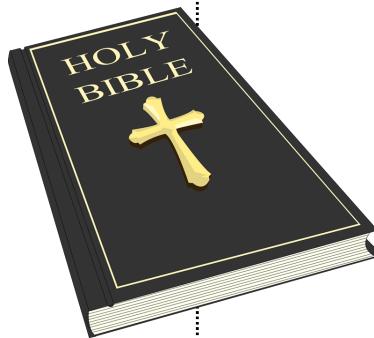
the fruit of that learning are of paramount importance in the life of the Church – what the apostle refers to as the inheritance entrusted to the saints – the traditions that we maintain and transmit to those who will come to the faith through their conversations with us.

In the course of the various Bible reading groups in which I participate around the Circuit we have all of us been occasionally surprised

at some of the things we have read. Not always has God been seen to be the tender compassionate God seen in Jesus. There is satire and irony, there is grumpy and irreverent if you know where to look, such that I no longer feel honour bound to leap to the defence of the Almighty when faced with the question 'If there's a God why?' Having wandered in Narnia for the last forty-seven years I am

intensely grateful to those who at the beginning taught me the basics of orienteering, those who along the way have stopped up the gaps and shored up the path that was in danger of collapse, those who have freely given of their insight and understanding to keep my feet in the way of faith.

Formally and informally the process of learning has on occasion been irksome, the outcome always beneficial. The lesson remains, the



process is in time forgotten. Most of all I am thankful for those of long ago who spoke of those things that might otherwise have led them to question their sanity, for the clarifying process of friendly conversation, for the record of the outcomes of those conversations, that have saved succeeding generations of the 'people of the Book' from the necessity of starting from scratch all over again. Always there is more to be learnt of God, to refuse to learn is to lose sight of God – an experience that has nothing to recommend it.

God bless us all as we cling to faith.

Bob

Rolling Reports from the Circuit Meeting on 14th March 2019

Cefn

Cefn has continued through the winter months with fortnightly services planned. In January and February there have been only four services in total, two of these were Breakfast Services at 10 am on the first service of the month and the other two were held at 6 pm on the third service in the month. Now we are in March it is good to have a service every Sunday to look forward to!

We have had a problem concerning our round Rose Window at the entrance to the chapel. This window is in its original place above the main door into the chapel. On closer inspection it is plain to see that the original plaster work is showing certain cracks and maybe it will not last for ever! We have been very much encouraged from the Circuit by the receipt of a cheque for £1,400! Of this we have £400 as a gift and £1,000 as

a loan. These together are enough to meet the necessary repairs and we are very grateful.

We hope that our monthly coffee mornings, our pub quizzes, our giving and maybe other forms of fund raising will help to fulfil the deficit.

It is good that we can work together and we are very grateful for the encouragement we enjoy from Welshpool and also from local people who are ready to take part in special events, such as our annual Mini Craft Fair. This means opening on a Saturday for special stalls to exhibit crafts. These are not only of goods already made, but some show goods in the making. Sometimes Welshpool joins in this and includes Mildred Brown who is a tower of strength on the organ. We would miss her regular playing at special events.

We are so grateful for all the help we receive.

Eileen Jobling

Welshpool

Since our last report in September 2017, we have received a substantial legacy from a past member, which, after consultation with the church family, has been split 3 ways, to provide funds for Maintenance, Mission and Miscellaneous items. Some of this has already been used to provide, for example, new kneelers and lectern falls, a lectern monitor for our preachers, and a digital hymnal to ensure suitable accompaniment can always be provided for worship should no organist be available. In the Meeting Room a wall-mounted flat screen TV, together with a media centre camera, enables us to relay services from the church, to publicise services, activities and events, and it is also used for one of our newest ventures, monthly Mid-Week Movies, which is proving popular with both church and non churchgoers. Last year we were able to screen the Royal Wedding as viewers enjoyed lunch, and this summer we plan to screen Trooping the Colour and the Wimbledon Ladies Final, and hope to attract more non churchgoers across our threshold. Funds used for maintenance and improving the property have provided for the construction of a porch over the rear entrance, and a complete interior re-decoration of the ground floor of the premises is scheduled for later this year.

The worship experience we offer continues to be very varied, and we appreciate the benefits of being able to project service words and images on the screen. We are grateful to Rev Marian Jones for returning to lead our monthly

morning Holy Communion services, and are pleased that our Afternoon Tea services have been so well attended this winter. A new form of mid-day Prayer Group ("Listening for God in the Silence") was introduced to us by Rev Marian and we continue to meet on the first Thursday of the month (with "Reading the Bible Together" on the second and fourth Thursdays), under the leadership of Rev Bill Rowell. Music continues to be an important feature of our worship, with regular contributions from our Jubilate group, both leading worship, and presenting Christian musicals, including most recently "David" by Roger Jones. A Christian Music Ministries "Musical in a Day" singing experience in October, learning Roger Jones' "Jairus's Daughter", attracted those from other churches and Circuits, and proved most enjoyable. We are now looking forward to hosting the Circuit day with John Bell on 9th November on the theme "Singing our way into or out of belief – how songs, traditional and contemporary, shape popular theology".

Our regular activities continue to be well supported, and it is particularly pleasing to report the growth of our Playgroup, Walking Group and Jubilate, all of which continue to attract those from outside our church family. Three of our members have completed training with Christians Against Poverty to become Debt Counsellors, and have since led four CAP courses, advising on money management. These are widely advertised and are open to all.

Janice Rhodes

Ministers

Chair of the Synod:	Rev Dr Stephen Wigley
Superintendent:	Rev Bob Thomas B Th  01686 625690
Supernumerary:	Rev J Michael Taylor BD, BA
Supernumerary:	Rev Penny Burkill
Supernumerary:	Rev John W Newbury BA

Local Preachers

Mr Terry M Jobling OBE
Mrs Eileen Jobling
Mr Graham Smith
Mrs Eleri Williams
Mrs Doris McNulty
Mrs Maureen Douglas
Mrs Jenny Thomas
Mr John Harbron
Mrs Kat Bond (on trial)
Mrs Andrea Davies (on trial)

Worship Leaders

Mr Alan Bradburn and Mrs Anthea Bradburn
Mr Derek Painter (in training)

Visiting Preachers

Rev Alun Chiplin
Rev Martin Dawes
Mr Gareth Evans
Mr Nigel Evans
Mrs Julia Francis
Rev Marian Jones
Rev Bill Rowell

Church	Times	02-Jun	09-Jun	16-Jun	23-Jun	30-Jun
& Hymn		7th Sun of Easter	Pentecost	Trinity Sun	12th Sun in Ord	Conference Sun
Books		John 17:20-26	John 14:8-17	John 16:12-15	Luke 8:26-39	Luke 9:51-62
Welshpool	9.00			Taylor HC		
H ON	10.45	B Thomas	Jones HC	Harbron	Dawes TF	Jones HC UA
Sif WB	6.00	@ Newtown	WCT New Street		Smith	4pm Francis ATS
Cefn	10.00	E Jobling BC		J Thomas BC		
H ON	7.00		12th B Thomas HC		26th P & P	
P Llifor	2.30	AACG	G Evans FF	AACG	Taylor HC	AACG
H Sif WB						
Newtown	10.30	Bond	G Evans	B Thomas HC	Smith	Chiplin
H Sif WB	6.00	Circuit Service EO	Wigley	Harbron	Burkill HC	N Evans
Caersws	10.30	UB	B Thomas HC	Davies	Bond	N Evans
H WB						
Trefeglwys	10.00	@ Llawryglyn	Wigley	@ Llawryglyn	Burkill HC	@ Llawryglyn
H M						
Llawr Y Glyn	2.30	Burkill	@ Trefeglwys	B Thomas HC	@ Trefeglwys	T Jobling
H WB						

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07-Jul	14-Jul	21-Jul	28-Jul
14th Sun in Ord	Action for Children	16th Sun in Ord	17th Sun in Ord
Luke 10:1-11,16-20	Luke 10:25-37	Luke 10:38-42	Luke 11:1-13
		Taylor HC	
T Jobling	Jones HC	Davies	B Thomas
Rowell HC	WCT UB		4pm P & P ATS
E Jobling BC		E Jobling BC	
	10th T Jobling		24th J Thomas HC
T Jobling	AACG	B Thomas HC	AACG
Davies	J Thomas	B Thomas HC	Harbron
Smith	B Thomas HC	Burkill	T Jobling
Burkill UM	B Thomas HC	Williams	T Jobling
Williams	@ Llawryglyn	N Evans	@ Llawryglyn
@ Trefeglwys	Smith	@ Trefeglwys	B Thomas HC

Church & Hymn Books	Times	04-Aug	11-Aug	18-Aug	25-Aug
		18th Sun in Ord	19th Sun in Ord	20th Sun in Ord	21st Sun in Ord
		Luke 12:13-21	Luke 12:32-40	Luke 12:49-56	Luke 13:10-17
Welshpool	9.00			J Thomas HC	
H ON	10.45	G Evans	Jones HC	J Thomas	B Thomas
StF WB	6.00	B Thomas HC	WCT St Mary's		4pm P & P ATS
Cefn	10.00	T Jobling BC		Davies BC	
H ON	7.00		14th B Thomas		28th B Thomas HC
P Llifor	2.30	Harbron	AACG	B Thomas HC	AACG
H StF WB					
Newtown	10.30	Taylor	E Jobling	B Thomas HC	T Jobling
H StF WB	6.00	Harbron	B Thomas HC	Rowell	Harbron
Caersws	10.30	UP	B Thomas HC	Chiplin	E Jobling
H WB					
Trefeglwys	10.00	B Thomas HC	@ Llawryglyn	T Jobling	@ Llawryglyn
H M					
Llawr Y Glyn	2.30	@ Trefeglwys	Bond	@ Trefeglwys	B Thomas HC
H WB					

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REFERENCES USED IN THE PLAN

BOOKS

- H Hymns and Psalms
M Methodist Hymn Book
ON Methodist Hymns Old & New
S The Source
StF Singing the Faith
WB Methodist Worship Book

UNITED SERVICES

- UA at Anglican
UB at Baptist
UM at Methodist
UP at Presbyterian
URC at URC
UW at Welsh Chapel

SERVICES

- AA All Age Worship
AACG All Age Cell Group
ATS Afternoon Tea Service
BAP Baptism
BC Breakfast Church
BTCS Back to Church Sunday
CA Chapel Anniversary
CAP Christians Against Poverty
C&C Carols and Christingle
CHS Community Hymn Singing
CMM Christian Music Ministries
Cov Covenant
CS Carol Service
EO Easter Offering Dedication
FF Flower Festival
HC Holy Communion
HF Harvest Festival
Jub Jubilate
LA Local Arrangement
LS Lambing Service
P&P Prayer and Praise
SKS Sankey Service
SoP Songs of Praise
SS Sectional Service
TF Welshpool Transport Festival
WCT Welshpool Churches Together
UnS Circuit United Service

OTHER

- T Transport Required
TS Trial Service

The Creed of Howard Arnold Walter

A young man who died on Missionary Service in Sri Lanka in the early 20th Century.

"I would be pure", he wrote, "for there are those who trust me; I would be true, for there are those who care; I would be strong, for there is much to suffer; I would be brave, for there is much to dare; I would be friend of all - the foe - the friendless; I would be forgiving and forget the gift; I would be humble, for I know my weakness; I would look up - and laugh - and love and lift!"

*Submitted by **Doreen Robinson**, Newtown*



We are a long established, friendly, mixed voice choir and we are available to sing for your Celebration; Reception; Presentation; Service or other event.

We have a wide repertoire which would suit any occasion and we sing in Welsh, English, European languages and even in Latin!

If you would like to discuss this further please contact one of the numbers listed below. Fees are reasonable and will depend upon your requirements, e.g. for an accompanist or soloist. We look forward to hearing from you.

Graham Marshman, Conductor 01686 412442
Angela Swindell, Chair 01686 413728
Wendy Wigley, Secretary 01686 440704



Wendy Wigley, Llawryglyn

Pentecost Meditation

The power of God can invade the body, inflate the mind,
Swell the soul, lift the spirit and make us more than we ever
imagined.

It'll make you young when you're old, and make you live even
when you die.

The power and presence of the Spirit will disturb, delight,
deliver and lift.

When God sends forth the Spirit,
"the whole face of the earth is renewed".

When God sends forth the Spirit
chaos is changed into creation,
the Red sea opens up to a highway of freedom.

When God sends forth the Spirit; a young woman says "Yes".
Jesus is born and life is never the same.

When God sends forth the Spirit amazing things happen;

Barriers are broken,
Communities are formed

Opposites are reconciled

Unity is established

Disease is cured

Addiction is broken

Cities are renewed

Races are reconciled

Hope is established, people are blessed and church happens.

So be ready, get ready, God is up to something ...

Discouraged folk cheer up,

dishonest folk fess up,

sour folk sweeten up,

closed folk open up,

gossipers shut up,

conflicted folk make up,

sleeping folk wake up,

lukewarm folk fire up,

dry bones shake up

and church people jump up.

But most of all, Christ the Saviour of the world is lifted up.

Anonymous

Submitted by Jenny Thomas

Young People's Page

Loving God, loving each other.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.

Mark 12:30-31 (NIV)

Classroom Rules

- ◆ Listen Carefully
- ◆ Follow Directions
- ◆ Obey the Teacher
- ◆ Work Quietly
- ◆ Keep Your Hands to Yourself
- ◆ Be Kind to others

I imagine that most of you have seen a list of rules like this in your classroom at school. One day last week I walked through a school and every classroom I walked into had a list of rules on the wall. Even though there were some slight differences, most of them said pretty much the same thing.

If you were to ask me which

classroom rule is most important, I would say the most important rule is to respect and obey your teacher and the second is very much like it ... be kind and show respect for your fellow students. If we would just follow those two rules, there really wouldn't be a need for any more.

The religious leaders of Jesus' day liked to sit around and discuss the law. They especially liked to ask Jesus questions about the law to try to trick him into saying something that would cause people to turn against him. One day they were questioning Jesus and he answered them with one good answer right after another. One of the teachers of religious law was standing there listening to the debate. He realized that Jesus had answered well, so he asked, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?" This is how Jesus answered. He said, "The

most important commandment is this: 'The Lord our God is the one and only Lord. You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.' The second is equally important: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other

commandment greater than these.'

After hearing Jesus' answer, no one else dared to ask him any more questions! What a wise answer. If we could just keep those two commandments, we wouldn't have any trouble keeping the rest of them.

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The Greatest Commandment

Mark 12:28-34



Why not join the dots and colour in?

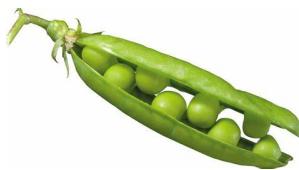
Planting your Garden

Plant three rows of peas:

Peace of mind

Peace of heart

Peace of soul



Plant four rows of squash:

Squash gossip

Squash indifference

Squash grumbling

Squash selfishness

Plant four rows of lettuce:

Lettuce be faithful

Lettuce be kind

Lettuce be patient

Lettuce really love one another



No garden is without turnips:

Turnip for meetings

Turnip for services

Turnip to help one another

To end - our garden must have thyme:

Thyme for each other

Thyme for family

Thyme for friends



Water freely with patience and cultivate with love. There is much fruit in your garden because you reap what you sow.

Submitted by Shan Calvert, Newtown

Singing for Pleasure 2019

Six members of Welshpool's Jubilate group (accompanied by two husbands) recently enjoyed a *Singing for Pleasure* activity break at Willersley Castle, the Christian Guild Hotel at Cromford in Derbyshire. This was the 23rd annual gathering of its kind, when a group of like-minded people of all denominations and from all over the UK come together for a week of fun and fellowship, singing every morning, relaxing in the Castle or swimming in the pool or exploring the beautiful surroundings in the afternoon, and enjoying social activities each evening (this year, a Songs of Praise session on Sunday, Derek's Fun Quiz on Monday, a concert by a local choir on Tuesday, our own DIY concert sharing our talents on Wednesday, and our Gala Concert on Thursday, presenting a programme of the songs we learnt during the week to a local audience). Each day begins and ends with prayers.

The group this year

numbered 32 – we may come together as strangers on Sunday (although some of us return year after year!) but we always leave as friends at the end of the week. (See the smiling faces on the group photo on Welshpool's notice board!) As we met in Lent this year, the theme of our singing was *A Journey through Holy Week to Easter Celebration* and our programme consisted of 12 items, varying in style. Some years we concentrate on a single work – as we plan to do in 2020, when we shall be learning one of the Roger Jones Christian musicals. The provisional date, to be confirmed, is 29th March to 3rd April 2020. If you are interested and would like more details, get in touch. (Others of you may be interested in the Crafts and Cards activity break which takes place at the same time as the Singing).

You can find out more about what Christian Guild Hotels have to offer by visiting www.christianguild.co.uk

Janice Rhodes, Welshpool



You are not alone



You are gardening in the early morn,
When the world seems fresh and new.
The birds sing their good morning songs
And the flowers wear gems of dew;
The eastern sky is tinted pink,
A soft breeze in the air ...
You know that you are not alone,
For God is with you there.

Rachael Harlnett



A young man asked God how long a million years was to him, God replied:
“A million years to me is just like a single second to you”.

The young man asked God what a million pounds was to him, God replied:
“A million pounds to me is just like a single penny to you”.

Then the young man got his courage up and asked:
“God, could I have one your pennies?”

God smiled and replied: “Certainly, just a second”.

A lady walked up to an old man who was sitting in a rocking chair. “Excuse me”, she said, “I just can’t get over how happy you are. What do you put it down to?”
“Well”, he said, “ I smoke 50 cigarettes a day, drink a case of whisky a week and eat as many fatty burgers as I can”.
“My goodness”, said the lady. “How old are you?”
“26” he said!

Submitted by Phil-Eve. Senior, Newtown

Dates for your Diary

Sunday 2nd June 7.30pm at Trefeglwys

Llanwnog Mixed Choir. All welcome

Saturday 8th June at Welshpool

CAP Coffee Morning, and "Trooping the Colour" on the 'big screen'

Saturday 8th June 10am to 4pm & Sunday 9th June 10am to 1pm

Flower Festival at Pentre Llifor

Sunday 9th June 12 noon at Newtown

Pentecost in the Park. Newtown Cytun

Tuesday 11th June 2.30pm at Newtown Manse

Time to Reflect

Thursday 13th June 7pm at Newtown

Circuit Meeting

Saturday 22nd June at Welshpool

Transport Festival: Exhibits, Refreshments, Craft Stall

Sunday 23rd June at Welshpool

Festival Service led by Rev Martin Dawes; Bring & Share

Saturday 29th June

Welshpool Church Outing: Port Sunlight and Liverpool

Saturday 6th July 3pm at Newtown

Strawberry tea

Monday 8th July 10am – 12noon at Welshpool

Coffee Morning to raise funds for Cefn Chapel. Various stalls; bring & buy

Saturday 13th July at Welshpool

Strawberry Tea and Wimbledon Ladies' Final on the 'big screen'

Saturday 3rd August at Welshpool

100 Cakes Stall and Coffee Morning (and Friendship Lunches)

Saturday 10th August

Circuit Wesley Walk, Welshpool/Pentre Llifor

Tuesday 13th August 2.30pm at Newtown Manse

Time to Reflect

Please send details of events to **Emma Edwards**, the Circuit Administrator

by **email if possible**: wbhcircuit@gmail.com

or telephone 01938 552942 on a Monday or a Wednesday.

Annual Envelope Appeal for Methodist Homes for the Aged (MHA)

MHA is an award-winning charity which has been providing care, accommodation and support services for people in later life for 75 years. Currently, more than 18,200 individuals are receiving some form of care from MHA, including:

- ◆ 5,000 who are living in 90 care homes
- ◆ 2,300 living independently in 72 retirement living communities with flexible support and personalised care
- ◆ over 10,500 living in their own homes supported by volunteers in 62 Live at Home schemes.

Last June, the MHA Sunday appeal raised almost £200,000 of vital income, without which beneficial services such as music therapy, chaplaincy and Live at Home schemes would not be possible. Please give generously this year when envelopes are distributed in your chapels sometime in June or July, to ensure that MHA can continue to improve the quality of life for older people. Thank you.

Janice Rhodes

Editorial

Thank you! This bumper edition is the result of lots of kind members sending us lovely articles; the editors' dreams came true! Sincere thanks and please keep sending your contributions; we really do appreciate you!

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