Dreams and Visions President's Letter March 2022

Dear Sisters,

I hope, now that most restrictions have been lifted you are meeting together face to face. As you know from last month's letter, when the executive met in January, we were not sure that this would happen, and I do know that some sisters are still wary of travelling distances. It was for this reason that we made the decision to postpone our gathering together and have our service on zoom again. Hopefully, this will be a success and people who live in various corners of the country and the world will join us. The Messenger will be advertising this for the next two months and please will those who wish me to add them on to the list of attendees, e-mail me at gillian.taylor@moravian.org.uk and I will be sure to send you the link nearer the time.

The good news is that we have confirmed the date of the gathering for 15th October at Fairfield. I do hope that as many of you as possible will attend as it will be two and half years since we met together face to face. I for one am looking forward to that day.

Whilst writing this letter to you I am listening to the wind and rain which is raging outside. What a week it as been. Dog walking has been hazardous due to nearly being swept of my feet. I have seen mothers clinging on to small children as they are fighting against the wind to get to school. Living at the top of a hill the gusts can get very wild. My son still has not braved the top of the garden to check if there is any damage to his fence.

It is my habit to look at the next Sunday's lectionary readings, even if I am not preparing a service. It will not be a surprise you to know that one of the passages for Sunday 20th February was Luke 8 22-25. This is where Jesus calms the sea. It would seem most appropriate as there will have been times that we wished that Jesus would come and calm our storms. This week it would be the physical storms, but I am sure over the last two years there have been many emotional 'storms' in which you turned to our Lord for strength and guidance. The hope is that all our prayers have been answered and we are now seeing the light at the end of the tunnel.

I will leave you with the thought of good things to come. Hopefully, spring is just around the corner and Mother's Day is coming. Please remember all the ladies who are not mother's but may have looked after others as a mother would. The adopted aunts and grandmothers. There are many such ladies like this that we know of and we must not forget them.

Look after yourself and prayer that we will meet soon.

The Lord watch between me and thee when we are absent one from another.

Amen

Sr Gillian Taylor

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