

Dreams and Visions President's Letter April 2022

Dear Sisters,

I would like to remind you that if you wish to join our MWA Day service on 30th April at 2:00 p.m. I do need you to email me on gillian.taylor@moravian.org.uk. Once again, I urge those that have zoom or can meet at Church's with internet link, that they do invite those who are unable to join. This will also add to your enjoyment of the service, as you will not be worshipping alone. Our speaker at this service is Sr Carol Ackah from University Road congregation.

Central Committee will be meeting on 29th April, via zoom, so please keep this meeting in your prayers. In my May letter I will be able to bring you news from that meeting of a new theme, new projects and new Executive Committee members.

Also, can I urge you to put our gathering date in your diary. This is 15th October, at Fairfield and it would be wonderful to have as many sisters as possible there.

Last month when I wrote my letter the wind was howling and the rain lashing down. Today is a wonderful Spring sunny day. How things change in just a month. I can see flowers starting to appear and people are mowing their lawns. Spring is wonderful with its new life and hope of things to come. Spring lambs should soon be in the fields which is always a joy to see when out walking. You will also see the new crops being planted which we celebrate at harvest.

Easter is on our doorstep and I hope that you will all be celebrating in a much better way than we have for the last two years. It will be good to have the Passion Week readings 'face to face' and not on zoom. In my opinion, fellowship as a group, in person, is far better than on a virtual platform. I hope you are all able to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ on Easter Sunday.

Please remember the words we are so familiar with at Easter. I have taken this from Matthew Chapter 28 verses 5 – 7.

"The angel spoke to the women. "You must not be afraid," he said. "I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has been raised, just as he said. Come here and see the place where he was lying. Go quickly now and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from death, and now he is going to Galilee ahead of you; there you will see him!' Remember what I have told you."

How wonderful it is on Easter morning to say the opening words of the liturgy – *"The Lord is risen! **He is risen indeed!**"* and then go on to sing *"Jesus Christ is risen to-day, Alleluia!"*

In some ways this could be considered the beginning of His ministry as he sends his disciples out to spread the **"Good News"**. What dreams and visions did those disciples have at that time. Who knows!

I hope you all have a good Easter and remember all our sisters, wherever they may be, because there will always, unfortunately, be one of our number who will be in need of your prayers.

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

Amen

Sr Gillian Taylor

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