

Wonder Women! – Then and Now President's Letter March 2021

Dear Sisters

I hope this letter finds you all well and coping with the current situation. It does now feel like we might be approaching the end of the difficulties, although we are not there yet. Keep going Sisters! We will be together again soon.

In the meantime, there is our Zoom service on 17th April at 2pm to look forward to. I realise this is not the same as meeting face to face but at least we will see some people on the screen that we haven't see for a while. I am just hoping I will have been able to get a haircut before the service otherwise all you will see is a very long fringe! Please do not forget to email me at janet.cooper@moravian.org.uk so I can add you to the list of attendees and you will be sure to be sent the link. If any of you have not used Zoom before but would like to try and join the service, I am more than happy to have a trial run with you beforehand so email me if you would like to give this a try.

At this time of year, I normally write about Lent and using this time as a preparation for Easter. Traditionally, of course people give up things for Lent but as one of my friends pointed out on Facebook, it feels like we have been in Lent since last Easter! So, instead of giving something up perhaps we should commit to taking something on.

You may remember that last year I sent out some luggage labels to you all for you to write on the name or names of a "Wonder Woman." This did not need to be someone famous – but it could be if you wanted. My idea was to put together a display of these labels in Fairfield Church as part of our MWA Day. My thanks to the Sisters of Bath, Weston who very quickly completed the task and returned the labels to me! I still have them but unfortunately, they will not now be displayed.

Perhaps as individuals you could all think of your Wonder Woman or Women and write their names on your label if you have it or a piece of paper or card and thank God for them in your prayers throughout the remainder of Lent. When praying, remember their story and why they are your Wonder Woman.

I would like to close this letter with a little "Wonder Woman" story. For quite a few years I have been attending a Book group where I met an American woman called Judy. Although I did not know Judy well, she sometimes mentioned her youthful involvement with the Civil Rights movement in 1960's America. Sadly, Judy died just after Christmas and as we could not attend her funeral, her husband sent us her obituary in which I discovered that Judy had actually marched with Martin Luther King! I am so sad that I didn't know that about her before she died and it has made me wonder what else I don't know about the women around me.

Wonder women are all around us!

Yours in Christ

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