

With this Newsletter you will find enclosed

- a copy of the order of service to help you with early planning (It also contains the Bible Studies, Background Notes and commissioning liturgy)
- details of your order
- name, address and phone number of your distributor
- theme notelets and bookmarks, if you ordered them

Your deliveries may be slightly later than normal depending on conditions in September when orders would normally be sent out.

Barbara and Marjorie have appreciated the opportunity to chat with so many of you as we have endeavoured to update all orders for next year. The data base is now completely up to date.

Please note

Please remember to have available the large print O/S for older people
Material from Feed the Minds and the Scottish Bible Society will come in the January mailing.

Organizers please contact your distributor if you want to know when your order will be available. If that fails or you have a problem with your order please get in contact with: Marjorie Paton: tel.: 01764 682234 or
Email: marjoriepaton.wdp@btinternet.com

Also extra notelets and bookmarks can be ordered from Marjorie
Music CDs, order of service CDs, PowerPoint CDs and Braille orders of service will all be sent out in January

If you have forgotten to order a CD please send an order no later than the end of January to:

Ann Bowie - 01343 821476 annmcbowie@aol.com

Calendars will be sent out with your order or on request from:

Mary Kidd - 01383 872 332 cmarykidd@btinternet.com

Extra materials from Mary Pickstone – 01307 466569
majormary316@gmail.com

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Autumn 2020 Newsletter

Vanuatu “Build on a strong foundation”



As I write this, lockdown may soon be lifted but the effects of the Corona pandemic will continue for a long time. We have learnt to ‘Take up our mats and walk’ in new ways. Our sisters in the Bahamas and Brazil had a prayer chain/network; Canada are considering putting the service on websites; Germany have their service on line every year; for March 2021 France will use Zoom and many are looking to attract young people through the use of WhatsApp, Instagram, and Facebook. Email, snail mail and telephone have all helped us communicate more with our friends and neighbours. Let us not lose what we have learnt and move forward with ‘Informed prayer and prayerful action’ in sharing new ways of worship.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the people of Vanuatu as through their faith they ‘Build on a Strong Foundation’ and begin the long road to recovery following the devastation caused by Cyclone Harold in April, 2020. On 2 islands, most homes were damaged or destroyed, gardens despoiled and about 12,000 people were living in makeshift conditions even as they also had to face the effects of the Corona Pandemic.

We understand that it will not be easy to go forward in new ways of distributing materials and holding services but remember we are a circle of prayer which goes all round the world and each prayer is part of this chain, be it one person in their own home, a small group or perhaps some larger gatherings with social spacing. Our thoughts and prayers have been with you all at this difficult time and are with you as we move forward together.

God bless you, Margaret Broster (Convener)



International Conference 2022

Dear Friends

Throughout the year progress has been made with hosting the International Conference in 2020. Roseangela Oliveira Secretary of the WDP International Committee has signed the contract with Edinburgh First confirming Pollok Halls as venue for Conference. The sub-committee met with Laura Henry of Convention Edinburgh who provided us with invaluable information. Unfortunately Marketing Edinburgh, part of Conventions Edinburgh, who were so helpful in our bid to host Conference have ceased trading, however Laura has offered to help us in an unofficial capacity. As she has so much knowledge in this sector we have accepted her offer. One of the tour companies she suggested was Invisible Cities, a Social Enterprise Trust which trains homeless people to conduct tours. We met Zakia who spoke passionately about the service they provide. Sadly COVID19 has caused catastrophic consequences for the company and the homeless guides, as all tours are cancelled for the future

Fundraising events which were planned have been put on hold. We are grateful for the generous donations received from ACTS and our sisters of England, Wales and Northern Ireland WDP. We are also contacting several trusts who may be willing to provide funding. The Scottish committee have filled Smartie tubes with coins, this has generated over £300. We welcome any ideas you may have of ways to raise funds during lockdown. Many of you have responded to the 'Help wanted' leaflet, more willing volunteers required!

Please continue to uphold in prayer the work of the World Day of Prayer Committee

As we prepare to welcome our sisters in Christ from all corners of the world.

Peace be with you

Ann Bowie

(Convener of The International Meeting Group)

Fellowship of the Least Coin (FLC)

When I joined the WDP Scottish Committee in 2018, I must admit (coming from England) I had never heard of the Fellowship of the Least Coin (FLC). However, having read more I now understand the rich ministry and commitment of its members. 2021 will mark 65 years since the prayerful ministry of FLC began. What is now a global, ecumenical movement began with the vision of one woman, Shanti Solomon. Following war torn years, her vision was of women being called to pray for peace, justice and reconciliation; to pray for local, national and international issues and concerns. Using a common prayer to hold these intentions before God, and after each time of prayer to put aside a coin of the least value, in their local currency. Funds raised are sent annually to the International Committee and are used for Project Grants and Emergency Relief.

The need for this commitment and ministry is as important as ever in our World today, and God continues to call women to this ministry of prayer and action.

Is God calling you to this ministry?

Is God calling you to pray faithfully for justice, peace and reconciliation?

FLC Prayer

O loving Creator, we present ourselves in your divine presence to thank you for all the bountiful gifts of life. We are especially grateful for the Fellowship of the Least Coin which binds us together in love and forgiveness around the globe. Free us from all doubts and prejudices, we pray. Inspire us to live in solidarity with humankind that we may know the joy of giving and receiving.

Dear God, accept this least coin, 'symbol of love'. Make us mindful of the miracles of these coins. Let us honour your creation with love, as shown through the life, death and resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

There have been changes in the FLC administration and contacts.

In Scotland, the ministry of FLC is administered through the Scottish Committee of the World Day of Prayer (WDP) Further information or resources can now be received from:

FLC Secretary: Ann Wren 40, Park, Thornhill, Dumfries and Galloway DG3 5JP

email: annwren.wdp@gmail.com

and monies collected should be sent to the

Treasurer: Suzanne Foster Delnapot, Blacksboat, Banffshire, AB37 9BQ

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From the Jubilee Service 2005

Fellowship of the Least Coin is a movement that celebrates the common humanity in each one of us... A "tsunami" of grace filled moments and new vistas of service...A force that unites, heals, pulls together, gives and receives, prays together. Let the least among us arise! Let the least coins from women in hamlets, towns, cities and villages provide a means of touching the whole World...bringing justice, peace and reconciliation. Amen. Scotland Representative: Ann Wren