

(We are sorry that last month's issue was incorrectly numbered as 58. It should have been 57).

Our remarks about spring flowers in the April Newsletter evoked some interesting memories for Mrs. D. Scott. She wrote to us recalling that in 1919 she won the 1st Prize in a school competition by collecting and correctly identifying 383 different wild flowers found in and around the village in that year. The competition was evidently an annual event for which there was keen rivalry. There were also organised nature walks from the school which in different seasons enabled the children to collect autumn leaves and berries as well as summer flowers, which became subjects for painting when back in the classroom. The children also took a great interest in locating and observing without disturbing the nests and eggs of the many birds about Soulbury. Mrs. Scott wonders if the children still do this latter. We don't think children have changed much over the years!

The Reverend Norman Burrows Mr. Burrows, who has been the Methodist Minister for the Stewkley Circuit (which includes Soulbury) for the past five years will be leaving during August to take up a new appointment in East Grinstead. There have recently been held various functions at which people in the area have been saying "Goodbye" to Mr. and Mrs. Burrows.

Among the gifts which they will take with them to their new home is a painting by Soulbury's own artist, Freda Twyman, of the chapel. The chapel Members are deeply appreciative of the encouragement which Mr. Burrows gave them in their building project and it is hoped that the picture will be a lasting reminder of this. They are also very aware of his spiritual guidance during his ministry here, which they know will have a permanent effect on the lives of the chapel Members. The prayers of all will go with Mr. and Mrs. Burrows into the new chapter in their lives.

Children's Entertainment The entertainment to be held in the Clubroom on the morning of Tuesday, August 19th at eleven o'clock is called "Wizard Times". This opens up all sorts of speculations in our mind as to what will go on there, and whether some children will disappear or whether perhaps some new creatures will magically appear in the village. Or perhaps it means that at last something is being done about the weather! We rely on as many children as possible attending this function as it would never do for the magic not to be strong enough. We shall report any supernatural goings-on next month; and don't forget, kids, it's free!

Barbecue The recent barbecue organised by the W.I. in aid of Christmas parcels raised the splendid sum of £130. This was in no small measure due to the hard work of Mr. and Mrs. Kellner and their sons, both on the night and beforehand, not to mention the clearing up afterwards. The W.I. would like to express their thanks to all who helped and attended this most enjoyable function.

Table Tennis Don't forget that table tennis can be played in the Clubroom from 1st September. Bookings can be made at 11, The Green, telephone 483 on or after 18th August.

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We offer our congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Perkins on the birth of their daughter Louise in June and regret that our grapevine developed a time-lag.

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Methodist Chapel

Minister: The Rev. Norman Burrows
The Manse, Stewkley. Tel: 251

Sunday	3rd August	2.30 pm	Rev. N. Burrows - Family Service
Sunday	10th August	10.30 am	Mr. G. Archer
Sunday	17th August	6.00 pm	Mr. L. Renfrew
Sunday	24th August	10.30 am	Mrs. D. Scott
Sunday	31st August	6.00 pm	Dr. Owers

Sunday School There will be no Sunday School during August.

Fellowship Meetings Each Monday at 2.30 pm in the Chapel Hall.

All Saints Church

Vicar: The Rev. Paul Drake
The Vicarage, Stewkley, Tel: 287

Sung Eucharist and Sermon each Sunday at 11.30 am.

Forthcoming Events

Saturday	2nd August	2-6 pm	<u>Dr. & Mrs. Sutton</u> open their garden in aid of All Saints Church. Display of Country Dancing, plants for sale, teas served.
Wednesday	13th August	2.30 pm	<u>Social Circle</u>
Tuesday	19th August	11.00 am	<u>Children's Entertainment</u>
Tuesday	19th August	8.00 pm	<u>Women's Fellowship</u> - Scrabble evening at the home of Mrs. Szostek, 32 Lime Grove, Linslade
Wednesday	20th August	7.30-9 pm	<u>Sunday School Open Evening</u> See some of the drawn & written work of the children and talk to their teachers. Refreshments will be served. (In the Chapel Hall).
Wednesday	27th August	10.15 am	<u>Social Circle Outing to Windsor</u> Coach leaves from The Green. A few seats still available.

All meetings in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated.

Advance Dates

Saturday 6th September Concert in Methodist Chapel by Luton Salvation Army Singing Company.

Saturday 13th September Produce Show. Schedules will be available shortly.

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