

The Women's World Day of Prayer is held on the first Friday in March, so on March 7th the Christian women of over 200 countries will be united in a continuous time of prayer. This Day of Prayer begins at the International Date Line in the Pacific and the first women to observe it will be those in Tonga, Fiji and New Zealand. As the day continues new groups will join in the prayer and praise until, after some 40 hours, it will end as the sun sets over St. Lawrence Island, off the coast of Alaska.

Each year the form of service is arranged by women of a different country; this year by the women of Thailand who have chosen as their theme "Responsible Freedom." The key prayer of the service is to be found in St. Luke's gospel, ch.1, vv. 68-74. Whether you are able to attend a service or not, you can use this prayer on this special day and remember that you are a small part of a world event.

Mr. Stanley Andrews. All his friends will be glad to learn that Mr. Andrews is steadily improving in health. He hopes to be out and about again soon. It has been suggested that many in the village would like to acknowledge Mr. Andrews's long years of service to Soulbury both as baker and as sub-postmaster by contributing to a small gift for him. Will anyone who would like to join in this please give their donations either to Mrs. P. Norman, 11 The Green, or to Miss D. Booth, 7 Chapel Hill, in time for a suitable gift to be selected before the Annual Parish Meeting on the 25th March, so that the Parish Council can be invited to make the presentation.

Concessionary Travel. The cost of the new half-fare travel permit will remain at £3. Pension book holders who would like their permits collected should please contact Mrs. Muriel Jones at Lovett House before Saturday, March 29th. Social Circle members may sign at the March Meeting.

Annual Parish Meeting. May we again remind readers of their annual opportunity to exercise their democratic right to question their Parish Councillors about any aspect of parish business at the Annual Parish Meeting on Thursday 25th March at 8.00 p.m. preceded at 7.30 p.m. by a Parish Council Meeting. The guest speaker at the Parish Meeting will be Mr. T. J. Bramwell of the County Engineer's Dept. (Traffic).

Sheep Worrying. There is a story about a dog who worried sheep - he went up to them and whispered, "Mint Sauce!" We would remind readers that any other form of sheep worrying may lead to a heavy fine and the loss of your pet, as well as to severe financial loss to farmers and the needless death of ewes and lambs. Please see that your dogs are kept under proper control and that children also understand the importance of this if they exercise their pets.

Soulbury Methodist Chapel. The members of the Chapel invite you to attend the official opening of the new Chapel Hall on Saturday and Sunday, the 5th and 6th of April. There will be a service on Saturday at 6.30 p.m. when the preacher will be Mr. S. Webster. Musical items will be given by the group "Reality" from Bletchley. The services on Sunday at 10.30 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. will be conducted by Mr. Keith Lewis, the Chairman of the Methodist Revival Fellowship, and Sunday School children and Chapel members will take an active part in these services. Commemoration programmes for this event will be on sale later this month and can be obtained from Chapel members.

Stewkley Playgroup will be holding its major fund-raising event, an Easter Bazaar, on Saturday March 22nd at 2.30 p.m., in the Stewkley Village Hall. As there are now so many children from Soulbury who attend this playgroup, since there is no group here, they hope that you will support this event. They would also appreciate any items you would care to donate to the stalls, including Crafts, Secondhand Toys and Books, Produce, Cakes, White Elephant, etc. Anything you can contribute can be left with either Sue Adams, 1 Laburnum Cottages (tel: Soulbury 588) or Louise Dawes, 3 Dean Farm Lane (tel: Soulbury 300) or they can be collected if you will ring either of these numbers.

Coffee Morning. The well attended coffee morning held in the new Chapel Hall resulted in the sum of £25 going to the Building Fund. We thank everyone who contributed in any way to this splendid total.

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We offer congratulations and best wishes on the occasion of their marriage on the 9th February to Linda Davis and Ian Rolls.



Her many friends will be sorry to learn that Mrs. Betty Scholefield is still in Stoke Mandeville Hospital. We do hope that she will soon be much better and able to return home.

It is with regret that we record the death in hospital on 6th February of Mr. Alfred Sawyer. We offer sympathy to his wife and family.

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WANTED Someone to dig a vegetable garden and get it in to condition for the summer. Please ring Mrs. Rowland on Soulbury 365.

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FOR SALE Boy's Football Boots, size 1, good condition. Apply Mrs. Norman, 11 The Green.

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Methodist Chapel

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

Sunday	2nd March	2.30 p.m.	Mr. Edwards.	Family Service.
Sunday	9th March	10.30 a.m.	Mr. G. Dimmock.	
Sunday	16th March	6.00 p.m.	Mrs. A. Martin.	
Sunday	23rd March	10.30 a.m.	Mrs. D. Scott.	
Sunday	30th March	10.30 a.m.	Mr. W. Farmer.	
		6.00 p.m.	United Service at Trinity Methodist Church, Leighton Buzzard.	

Sunday School. Every Sunday at 2.30 p.m.

Prayer Fellowship. Every Monday at 2.30 p.m. in the new Chapel Hall.

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All Saints Church.

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

Sung Eucharist and Sermon every Sunday at 11.30 a.m.

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Forthcoming Events.

Sunday	2nd March	12.15 p.m.	P.C.C. Meeting - in the Church.
Saturday	8th March	7.30 p.m.	Slides of the Holy Land, shewn by Mrs. Pat Faulkner, followed by refreshments. In the Chapel Hall.
Tuesday	11th March	8.00 p.m.	Women's Institute: Flower Arranging.
Wednesday	12th March	2.30 p.m.	Social Circle: Please bring a photograph of yourself as a child. Bring and Buy stall.
Wednesday	19th March	8.00 p.m.	Women's Fellowship at the home of Mrs. Szostek, 32 Lime Grove, Linslade. Mr. Viv. Willis will talk on local history. Cars leave the Stone at 7.45 p.m.
Saturday	22nd March	2.30 p.m.	Easter Bazaar at Stewkley.
Monday	24th March	8.00 p.m.	Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting
Tuesday	25th March	7.30 p.m.	Parish Council Meeting followed by Annual Parish Meeting

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Diary Date.

Tuesday 27th May. Parish Council Meeting. Guest speaker Mr. A. J. K. Smith, Hon. Sec. Bucks. Playing Fields Assn.

All meetings in the Clubroom unless otherwise stated.