

Let those in need know they are not alone. May your light shine through the darkness. And bring hope and strength. We pray for provision for communities. who now face an uncertain future. Open our hearts, May they be full of compassion. Draw close to those who need you today. In the name of Jesus, Amen

A prayer for those affected by the floods in Libya from Christian Aid. Lord Jesus, you're familiar with grief, you know what it is to weep with those who are suffering. You're close to the broken-hearted and comfort those who mourn. Devastating flooding has led to losses beyond measure for the people of Libya. With so many thousands affected, help us to see beyond the numbers to real communities and families whose lives have been upturned. We pray that you would strengthen those who are still fighting to survive, and the rescue workers trying to save them. We pray that you would console those who fear the worst as they wait for news. We pray that you would be with all who are traumatised and deeply grieving. Show us, Lord, how to serve you by helping our neighbours in Libya. When we are daunted by the scale of the disaster, inspire us with your Spirit that we may know how to make a difference. We thank you for the work of aid agencies on the ground and for all who give what they can to help save lives and support survivors. You're close to the broken-hearted Lord. Be close to the people of Libya, we pray. Amen

Roads to God At your local churches we continue to pray for all those who live or work in the community. During the month of October, we are praying specifically for: **Muddyford Lane, Paccombe, Chalk's Close, Appletree Road, Besomer Drove, School Road, St Mary's Close.** If there is anything or anyone you would like us to pray for, please contact us. roadstogod@outlook.com

Recycling - Ink Cartridges We received a letter from MHA telling us we had raised the most money for them recycling ink cartridges—£170.85. So I have asked the circuit to try and promote collecting ink cartridges for MHA as I read in Heart and Soul that like many charities, they haven't recovered since Covid.

- **Soap refill pouches and pumps** This scheme has stopped so we can no longer collect them.

Don't Forget Cards for Sale in back porch
Please let us have any news to pass on to the rest of the church family (Check person is happy for us to publish)
Save very large cardboard and Carrier bags

Contact us by e mail—atanner.gtanner@btinternet.com/Phone
01725512648, text 07816542204.

Woodfalls Methodist Church 4th October 2023 ** Further details inside

Wed	4th Oct	10.45am	Harvest Café Style Service led by Rev Veronica Batchelor+ Lunch **	Methodist Church
Thurs	5th Oct	10-12.00	Café	Methodist Small Hall
		10.00	Talkabout **	Methodist Hall
Sun	8th Oct	10.00am	Holy Communion	St Mary's
		6pm	Harvest Supper & CAP Speaker **	Redlynch Village Hall
Mon	9th Oct	10-12	Creation Station + Coffee & Cake	Methodist Small Hall
Wed	11th Oct	7pm	PCC	Methodist Hall
Thurs	12th Oct	10-12.00	Café	Methodist Small Hall
Sat	14th Oct	TBC	Celebration of Arts and Crafts **	School & St Birinus
		5.30pm	Social **	Methodist Hall
Sun	15th Oct	9.15am	Breakfast followed by All Age Worship at 10.00am led by Rev Anna Bishop	Methodist Church
		6pm	Evensong	St Mary's
Mon	16th Oct	10-12	Creation Station + Coffee & Cake	Methodist Hall
Tues	17th Oct	10.00am	Church Council **	Small Hall
Wed	18th Oct	10.45am	Café Style Worship led by Mr Michael King, followed by lunch.	Methodist Hall
Thurs	19th Oct	10-12.00	Café	Methodist Small Hall
Sun	22nd Oct	10.00	Toasty Sunday	Woodfalls & Morgans Vale Hall
Mon	23rd Oct	10-12	Creation Station + Coffee & Cake	Methodist Small Hall
Tues	24th Oct	2.30pm	Phoenix— Speaker Mr Peter Bishop	Methodist Small Hall
Thurs	26th Oct	10-12	Café	Methodist Small Hall
			Stay and Play	Methodist Hall
<u>Future Non Weekly events planned</u>				
Sat	11th Nov		Christmas Market **	Methodist Building

PLEASE PUT ALL DATES IN YOUR DIARY

****Wednesday 4th October** We are grateful to Veronica for stepping in to led our Harvest Service as Anna finds she now has a meeting to attend. Please bring tins and packets to be donated to the Trussell Trust. (See Parish magazine for what they are short of) **Harvest is a pivotal moment in the the foodbank calendar. It often comes when their warehouse stocks are at their lowest point at a time when their demand starts to increase in the run up to winter. Heating goes on so do the jumpers... bills go up and people start to make that tough decision on skipping meals or pay the bills.**

**** Thursday 5th October** Talkabout—Scenes from a Hampshire Childhood – speaker Gerald Ponting. Memories of a childhood spent on a small farm and a way of life now long gone. Travel back in time to country life as it was in the 1940s and 1950s with this popular speaker.

****Sunday 8th October** St Mary's Harvest Supper—to help with catering there are sheets for people to sign up if they are planning to go at all three churches.

**** Saturday 14th October** Morgan's Vale and Woodfalls' Celebration of the Arts and Crafts. Don't forget to get your entries in. Ruth (Challis) has already put a lot of effort in to get a joint event between the churches and the school so it would be great if she could have some entries. There are children's classes as well. The arts and crafts will be on show during Saturday afternoon and there will be refreshments and musical performances.

**** Saturday 14th October Social** Starting with meal at 5.30pm Followed by Games and activities involving cheese. If you can't eat cheese at night please let me know and I can provide an alternative menu. **Is this a real cheese? Who am I meant to brie? Do you think you're Gouda enough? Cheese Trivia. Who will prove to Brie the best ?** To help with catering if you hope to come



please ring 01725512648 or text 07816542204. But if you haven't signed up and can come at the last minute still come. ALL WELCOME. A SOCIAL EVENT YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A CHURCH GOER !!

**** Tuesday 17th October Church Council** Everyone is welcome to attend Church Council, and all views are welcome, its just that if anything has to be voted on it is only members of the Methodist Church who can vote.



****Saturday 11th November** Please start saving, making or turning out things for the stalls—Books, Bric a Brac, & items suitable for presents. We will need cakes etc on the day. If you can help on the day please sign on fundraising noticeboard in the hall or let Anita know.

Collection Plate As St Birinus have gone back to passing round collection plates again, we are going to follow suit. Obviously if you give through the bank, please don't feel embarrassed but pass the plate on or back.

A prayer for those affected by the earthquake in Morocco from Christian Aid God, our refuge in times of trouble. You told us to pray always and not to lose heart. We pray for our neighbours in Morocco. We pray for you to comfort those affected by the earthquake. For those who have lost loved ones, homes and all they know. Bring solace in their grief, healing in their pain and help in their time of need.