

Waitemata MWF cont'd

District MWF would be held at Waiaka Methodist Church on Monday 14th Marc. Barbara and Murray Olds will share highlights of their trip to Europe.

At the conclusion of their meeting Rev Robyn Goudge Allan spoke of the experience she and her husband had on their trip to Britain, especially the time spent on Holy Island Northumberland-Holy Island is a place rich in spiritual history and being there had been a real blessing. Robyn played her harp and sang as she told her story. Robyn's sensitive and thoughtful contribution was greatly appreciated.

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It is stories like this that are great to share.

Please feel free to send along what is happening in your district. This is also great to send to your district links

A photo, a short story- a message of encouragement is always valuable. Some districts have chosen to make up a profile booklet. Sharing stories, photos memorable activities you have done within your district.

We can all get ideas from each other. If you need any help with suggestions or ideas for your district profile please feel free to contact me, by email, phone or in writing.

I would love to hear your thoughts on this matter. I have decided to include a tip inside each of our link newsletters.

A Blessing

Let our strength be in forgiving as forgiven we must be, one to one in costly loving, finding trust and growing free, gentle God, be our release, gentle spirit, teach us peace
By Shirley Erena Murray

HEALTHY LUNCH TIPS

Sometimes it is hard as mothers to think what you can offer to the kids for their lunches. As a teacher myself, I know and value the effects it has on children if they are attending school and how important it is for them to have a nutritional and well balanced diet. I have also included a recipe for simple scones making for the kids. Holidays can be long and it is sometimes hard to find things for our children to do. Each newsletter I will try and supply a simple recipe that the kids can follow and maybe they can help with preparation for their own school lunches and morning teas for the family.

YUMMY SCONES



Ingredients:

- *2 Cups of Flour
- *2 Heaped TSP's Baking Powder
- *Pinch of Salt
- *Milk to mix

You can add:

- *Cheese, Sultanas, Dates, Berries etc

Instructions

- *Combine all ingredients together and mix
- *Roll out and Cut into squares
- *Bake in the oven at 200° for 10 mins

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Greetings from the Liaison Officer

Greetings to all our sisters in Christ

Welcome to our second newsletter for 2011, On behalf of our President Mataiva Robertson and the NZ Executive Committee, we trust that the year has started off well for all of you and that you are all in good health. We pray God's blessings on you all, as we enter into the winter season. May He continue to take care of each and every one of you.

Report from Executive visit to Wellington By Avis Garner

"To see 14 Pacific Island women pack down for a rugby scrum, and at the whistle, to hook a rugby ball out, more than once, highlighting the theme "To Engage" ..."

This was the way to hold the attention of over 40 women at Petone on Saturday Feb 26th, for the visit of President Mataiva, Miriama and Siniva from our National Executive. Rev Tevita Taufalele led us with prayer, the singing of "Let everything that has breath, Praise the Lord", we were encouraged to engage with our God, our women, and the Church. It was a grand opportunity to meet even more of our Pacific Island MWF friends. Karen Aspersen introduced 3 songs from "Hope is our song". Viti Olds was remembered. Mataiva gave us an outline of her faith journey. Being born into a Christian household does not guarantee an easy Christian role, and Mataiva is finding the ways to express her Christian ideals. Much was repeated on Sunday Feb 27th at Kapiti Uniting Church when about 30 women also learnt about the Helen Kim Scholarship and Korean World Federation Conference. Stories of meetings and conversations highlighted a visual presentation and assured us that Mataiva is an ideal person to be our President.

Our many MWF activities were highlighted, special project ideas shared, Manoa Havea our "adopted student" supported. Sales Table funds were diverted from travel fund to North Canterbury MWF. Members were encouraged to participate in World Day of Prayer and Easter Services. Next District gathering will be 8th August AGM at Waiwhetu Uniting Church.

Our grateful thanks to Mataiva, Miriama and Siniva for coming to Wellington- we love you

Manawatu- Wanganui MWF Bus trip to the Wairarapa 21/3/2011

So the morning dawned drizzly but did not deter the travellers on what was a most successful day with friends and MWF members from Wanganui, Marton, Feilding, Rongotea, Bunnythorpe & Palmerston North, Dannervirke and Levin plus 2 men making a total of 37 people.

First Stop was a visit to the gardens and weaving display of Pat and Sister Olga Jacobson at Masterton. The large vege. Garden and healthy flowers and shrubs were amazing but not forgetting the magnificent woven drapes throughout the home plus furnishing covers etc. Olga did the weaving and Pat the sewer including articles of clothing. Carpet wool was used for the drapes etc.

Second Stop on to Llandaff Conference/ Wedding reception complex plus Bed and Breakfast hosted by Elizabeth and Robin Dunlop. The MWF/ APW district members supplied pumpkin soup. A stop at the Robin Red River saw theme of blue and white as well as a beautiful lunch made by Marion Chisnall.

Third Stop on to the outskirts of Masterton to look through the Old Greek Orthodox church set back in a paddock obscured from the main road.

Fourth Stop This was the retail therapy stop for most of us as it was first visit for some to the Paua Shell shop at Carterton. A comfort and refreshment stop as well as the ringing of the till kept the owners busy. It's an amazing shop and a huge variety of items on display.

Our homeward journey commenced at 3-30pm having had no rain and everyone feeling very pleased with the variety of stops in such a short time but did not feel rushed. Lottie was thanked many times and she was able to wonder up and down the aisle pointing out interesting landmarks along the way. **Many thanks to Lottie for a memorable day!**

Manawatu -Wanganui Districts

Manawatu- Wanganui district executive meeting was held on Tuesday 1 March in Wesley/Broadway Lounge. District MWF Bus Trip to Masterton was scheduled for March 21- passengers were picked up from Wanganui, Marton, Bunnythorpe, and Woodville.

Christchurch Earthquake

A suggestion was made to give the profit from the June AGM sales table plus have a collection box that day for donations to be sent to the North Canterbury District MWF as a love gift for disbursement to a needy person or family. Secretary will send greetings to all in North Canterbury. A notice will go out with the Notice of AGM meeting with reminder of the Earthquake appeal efforts by us.

On behalf of our President Mataiva and the executive team, we would like to thank each and every district for their love, support and ongoing prayers for the Christchurch earthquake victims.

Waitemata MWF

Since our last link news was printed- I have received the minutes for Waitemata MWF District meeting held at Greenhithe.

22 members were present at the meeting held on Nov 22nd 2010. Executive meeting and retreat time was to be held at Point Wells Church Williams Street, Point Wells on Mon 14th Feb.

It is hoped that Rev Misilei Misilei would be able to lead the retreat & all are welcome to attend.

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