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## February 2019 Newsletter

CORRIE TEN BOOM was a Dutch Christian who lived through

World War II. During that time, she lost several family members and experienced great sadness and hardship. Yet, rather than becoming bitter, Corrie realised that her life was a gift from God, and that she needed to share what she had learned.

At age fifty-three, she began a world-wide ministry which took her to more than 60 countries over the next 33 years. She tes-

tified to God's love, encouraging everyone she met.

Corrie wrote many books and spoke frequently in the post-war years about her experiences. Some of her most well-known books, such as 'The Hiding Place' and 'Tramp For The Lord', went on to become bestsellers, beloved by many. 'The Hiding Place' was even made into a film in 1975, inspiring many to see God at work in life's most difficult circumstances.

Corrie always said, "If God sends us on stony paths, he provides strong shoes".



Aradena Gorge, Crete

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**New Year is a time for resolutions, —**

\_\_a time for good wishes, a time for new beginnings. These words seem to sum up all that we could wish for each other at the beginning of the year:

*All gloom be with the old year past*

*And this year be happier than the last.*

May it be a happy and healthy twelve months for us all.



## **AMIGO**

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February ,  
A talk given on behalf of the  
**Sue Ryder Homes**  
at Oakley Methodist Church  
7.30 p.m.

All welcome.

### **AMIGO**

A most informative and interesting evening was spent at the Methodist Church listening to a representative from the Leprosy Mission on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November

A traditional evening singing Christmas Carols and having fun

with Hand Bells was spent at The Bedford Arms, Oakley on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. A good number of people came and enjoyed eating warm minced pies.

A film evening at Oakley Methodist Church is taking place on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January when the film "The Quartet" is being shown. A report of the event will appear in the March issue of the Churches Newsletter.

## **Your February Church Services**

### **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>**

- 8:00 am            Benefice Holy Communion, St Owen's,  
Bromham.
- 9:30 am            Parish Eucharist, St Mary's.
- 10.30 am          Morning Worship, Methodist Church,  
Richard Crane

### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>**

- 9:00 am            Parish Eucharist , St Leonard's, Stagsden.
- 10.30 am          Churches Together in Oakley  
United Covenant Service,  
Methodist Church, Rev Gill Baalham.

### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>**

- 8:00 am            Benefice Holy Communion, St Mary's.
- 10.30 am          Café Style Worship, Methodist Church,  
The Worship Group.
- 10.30 am          All Age Eucharist, St Mary's.

## **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>**

- 9:00 am Parish Eucharist , St Leonard's, Stagsden.  
10.30 am Morning Woship, Methodist Church,  
Geoff Talbot  
10.30 am Benefice Eucharist , St Mary's.  
6:00 pm Benefice Evensong, St Mary's.

### **BEFORE OR AFTER RECEIVING COMMUNION**

Give thanks for families as you watch parents and children go up to communion, praying that the members may be knit together in affection.

Bless God for the newly married, the new parents and newcomers.

Pray for those who live alone and who are lone parents.

Pray for those who have recently had a death in the family; it is not easy to come back to Church for a while.

Give thanks for the older people who find it quite an effort to get to Church and up to Communion, yet they are there.

Pray for all those whom you know to have a great responsibility in the community or in business and thank God for their commitment.

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## *Coffee Morning*



In aid of the



Karibuni Trust



At Oakley Methodist Church



Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February:



10:30 am–12:00



. Book stall etc.



Sign seen by the side of the road somewhere in the USA

PRECISION INSTRUMENT CO.

199 yards, 2 feet 11 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> inches  
ahead



**At Oakley Methodist Church**

**3:30—5:30 pm**

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February**

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March**

Friends of St Owen's Parish Church present

## **Huntingdon Male Voice Choir**

in concert on Sat 9 February at 7pm

at Bromham Baptist Church MK43 8LJ

by kind permission of the Minister and Elders

Tickets £12 adult £6 u16

Bookings 01234 825454 or 826551

### **The Churches' diary for February 2019**

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>**      Time TBA  
Church Council, Methodist Church

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>**      10:00 am  
Messy Church, St Mary's

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>**      10:30 – 12 noon  
Oakley Coffee Charities coffee morning,  
Anne Stringer & Vanda Singleton, 19, Ruffs Furze.

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>**      10:30 – 12 noon  
Coffee morning, Methodist Church.

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**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>** 3:30 – 5:30 pm  
Messy Church For All, Methodist Church.

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>** 10:00 am  
Messy Church, St Mary's

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>** 10:30 – 12 noon  
Oakley Coffee Charities coffee morning,  
Pam Green, Anne Stringer & Diane Alder, St Mary's Church.

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>** 7:30 pm  
AMIGO  
'Sue Ryder Homes, Methodist Church.  
(More details inside.)

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>** 10:00 am  
Messy Church, St Mary's

**Your next issue.** Your next newsletter will be in the churches on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February. Your contributions must reach me by Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February. Please send in your contributions in writing either to your church's co-ordinator or directly to me and include all events in February. Noel Evans.

**This newsletter will also be printed, in black and white only. Now that many of you are receiving this by email we have decided to print less paper copies. Please only take a paper copy if you need it.**