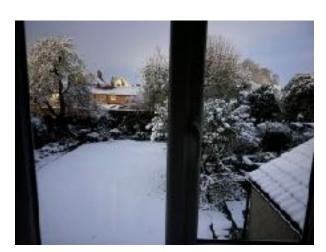


22.112024 Hello Everyone

We were sorry that our meeting on Tuesday had to be postponed. When we woke up to snow and extreme cold it was decided that the sensible coarse of action



would be to cancel the meeting. We were most concerned about the cold and its effect on footpaths and roads. So many of us fear falling and in the end venturing out when it is icy is a risk we don't need to take. This is the "Winter Wonderland we woke up to on Tuesday morning ...a lovely scene provided that we could all stay in doors . Interesting to contrast this with what our fellow Mothers' Union members around the world would have woken up to.

Thank you so much to members who responded to the email sent out about the postponement of last Tuesdays meeting. We had to do everything in such a hurry and hoped that no one would miss the message and arrive at St Lukes Chapel to find everything shut up!! As of today we haven't had a meeting to discuss when we can have the AGM, however one suggestion is that we could have a short meeting to do the legal things necessary at the start of the December Festive Meeting. I will keep everyone informed about this.

This week has not been easy with the very cold temperatures and we hope that you all are keeping warm and safe.

Christmas is fast approaching. We are so grateful to Tickhill WI, who, this week have delivered toiletry sets, handbags and a lovely stainless steel tea set with matching tray, along with some baby clothes and a cash donation all for the Woman's Refuge. We will find out what is needed and use the cash donation to buy whatever they want at this time.

Its not long now before our Mothers' Union Advent Service on December 5th, and this is when we take all of the gifts for the woman and children at the refuge. We usually take some Fresh Start Baskets and contributions for these would be welcome.....small items like washing up liquid, bars of soap, dish cloths would be great. We also still need some fringe pans.

Next weekend, November 30th is Mothers' Union Global Day of Action and the Vigil Rise Up Against Domestic Abuse , which will take place outside Doncaster Minster at 12.45pm. if anyone would like to come along and would like a lift, please contact me and a lift will be arranged.

Sheffield Cathedral are having a Christmas Tree Festival from 3rd December to 12thJanuary. Mothers' Union are having a tree! I am sure that it will be spectacular in the setting of that wonderful building.

Barnby Dunn Church (Tanis's church) are having an open day on 7th December 10.30 -4.30 pm. There will be musical interludes, stalls, displays a Christmas "Wish Tree", homemade produces and free books from The Literacy Trust.

Father, you show mercy by your will and not for our efforts. (Romans 9:16) We thank you for your mercy upon Mothers' Union and the opportunities for empowerment. Help us to graciously maximise this empowerment opportunities for your Kingdom, to your glory. Amen.

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