

20.12.2024

Hello Everyone

On Monday we took the last donations for this year for the Womans Refuge to Tanis. She told us that she and Peter had been invited to the Refuge last week when they had a Christmas party. Peter, was asked to lead some prayers and this was very much appreciated by everyone.

This week, I have been to the Sheffield Crucible production of "The Little Shop of Horrors". Knowing absolutely nothing about the story I was amazed to find that 2 of the underlying themes were very relevant to the work Mothers Union do. First there was domestic abuse and then homelessness of a young man and its consequences. I hope that the message will touch many of the audience over the next weeks of the production.

We wish everyone a Happy and Peaceful Christmas. If you



are at home quietly, enjoy the tranquility. If you are at home with visitors....good luck! For those of you travelling, have a safe journey.



Tanis has sent a Christmas letter to us all. As ever she sums up what we aim to achieve as either MU members or supporters.

Hi everyone

As we move from Advent to Christmas and looking forward to 2025, we live in a very troubled world; we despair at the daily news bulletins and pray frequently for an end to all violence.

We won't give in though! Many members are in the autumn of their years and think themselves as redundant and unable to contribute to our organisation. <u>NO THAT IS NOT SO.</u> We value everyone!

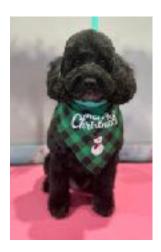
Whatever happens in the world Mothers' Union is a ray of light, giving love and hope to all our communities worldwide. There are no stronger words than love and hope, so let us continue to fulfil our aims and objectives into 2025 with

optimism and a will to do whatever we are able to, to help our vulnerable and the broken of society

We should be proud of our achievements; we can endure criticism and encourage one another to show determination, sharing fellowship and support for one another. As we remember our Lord's words 'Love one another as I have loved you'; that means the homeless, prisoners, vulnerable young women, asylum seekers, the sick bereaved and many more!

Our Lord also said 'I am with you always' Matt 28:20. We send you our very best wishes for a very happy Christmas, and a peaceful and healthy New Year.

Tanis & Peter and Monty.



We pray today that our hearts may be filled with joy and praise as we contemplate the salvation of God made available through the gift of the coming Messiah. Amen.

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