

Meetings from January to April continued to reflect the 2013/2014 theme God is able. Johnny Bell, Emma Brady and Jonny McClune told us of their work as leaders in young people's organizations. Chris and Kyle spoke of their experiences of Outreach abroad. Helen Newell told stories of people helped by the projects Christian Aid has funded which are run by the locals. Colin Davies explained how he came to set up and name his 'Spudbears' Ministry providing soft toys and animatronic teddy bears with tapes of bible stories and health and safety information for children when he flies in supplies to remote hospitals. Jonathan Abernethy Berkeley, assistant minister in Fitzroy Presbyterian Church, told us about the innovative events and activities he organizes for the people of the surrounding area.

The Reverend Anne Tolland preached on our theme at our PW Service in March.

The theme for 2014/2015 is - *"so I am sending you"* so our new leader Maureen Drury and new committee have planned the programme with a strong missionary bias.

In September Christine Keenan told us how she set up the charity *"Hope and a Future"* to fund a mission to help children in Ethiopia. Moyna Bill gave a presentation on her trip to Malawi with an Ignite team. Barbara Long came in December with a wonderful display of the jewellery she makes and sells to raise money for the hospital where she worked for many years as a midwife.

On our Visitors' Night, Karen Nickell gave a most interesting presentation on *"The Troubles represented in Textile Art"*.

In 2014 we held two fund raising events: a concert with the Belfast Phoenix Choir for PW Missions and an After Church Lunch for our own PW funds and for Bible College student John Timothy

On a lighter note we sampled Lynn Currie's tray bakes and cakes, and also some Moy Park products brought by Heather Hawkins. The Christmas meal was again in Hillmount Garden Centre Restaurant. Our Outing in May took us to the Bronte Homeland, Rushmere Shopping Centre and Thomas Street Methodist Church for their Quilt Festival and our evening meal.

We continue to meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of each month from September to April.

Our membership has declined slightly but we were delighted to welcome back some former members. Sadly one of them, Sandra Rice, died in November. She was always ready to help and full of fun.

We would love to welcome more new or former members at our meetings.

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