

West Cheshire Foodbank is in need of volunteers to help feed and support local people in need. Details of our volunteer vacancies can be found in the link below (6 different opportunities).

<https://www.charityjob.co.uk/recruiter/recruiterdetail/21264>

Becky Hurst, regional co-ordinator for Christian Aid, has sent a letter of thanks to the members of Neston Methodist Church for raising £84.40 through donations for the Lent lunch.

This money will go towards the Syria emergency appeal to support communities in desperate need. See the letter displayed on the Churches Together board in the main hall.

Visit of Chernobyl Children 2016 30th Anniversary

Pre visit Thanksgiving Service on Tuesday 26th April 7.00 p.m. at Little Sutton Methodist Church on the A41. 17 children aged 9-11 and two leaders will be visiting from 4th June to 2nd July. Usual gifts and cash donations to reach Little Sutton by 22nd May please. Full details to be included in May notices and the Catalyst. Thanks again to Cathy Clarke and Marion Collens for the work done. Poster in hall & information sheet.

Funeral Services

Sylvia Anyon. Monday 4th April 11.30 a.m. at Neston Methodist Church. followed by committal at Landican Crematorium. We welcome her son Paul and other members of her family and friends. The Anyon family is well known in Neston.

John J. M. Phillips. Monday 18th April 2.15 p.m. at Neston Parish Church. Followed by committal at Blacon Crematorium. Donations welcome to St John's Hospice.

Like myself John worked in transport, he held a senior position in transport as track maintenance supervisor. After his retirement he did a lot to support the churches in Neston. He enjoyed attending and the fellowship at Shoppers Fellowship and the Welcome Cafe at Neston Methodist Church. He always arrived early (good transport man) and provided automatic organ music before and during the worship. He also attended Neston Parish Church as well as the daughter churches of St Thomas's Parkgate and St Michael's Little Neston and again he always arrived early so he could help prepare for worship. Following his death on Palm Sunday to Maundy (Holy) Thursday evening I have been told the sad news by six different people including his daughter Rebecca. This just goes to show how well liked he was in the community. Philip Brickell.

Circuit

Friday 8th April 6.30 p.m. Visit of President of Conference Rev Steven Wild. District Rally at Trinity Ellesmere Port.

Saturday 23rd April 9.00 a.m. Visit of Vice-President of Conference Dr Jill Barber. District Synod at West Kirby (all welcome).

Sunday 24th April 6.30 p.m. at Greasby. Easter Offering Dedication Service. Preacher Rev Lily Twist.

The Wirral circuit will be having a week of revival services in May 23-28, 2016. Every night at 7 the circuit will meet in a different church in a specific Group. On **Friday 27th April**, we will be worshipping in a church in Group 5 (consisting of Neston, Little Neston, Heswall and Willaston). The preacher will be Rev Peter Knight of the Southport Methodist Church.

Thursday 5th May 8.00 a.m. at Heswall Circuit Ascension Day Worship & Breakfast.

Thursday 28th April 7.45 p.m. at Irby Methodist Church entertainment with "Wirral Ukelele Fanatics". Raffle & refreshments in aid of church funds. £3.50 includes refreshments. Poster in hall.

OPEN THE BOOK Continues to be ecumenical & we have 2 new team members as a result of our sketch at the NDCT service before the AGM. One plays the guitar & is male! We only need 2 more people to get a 3rd Team going, At present we are still not able to go into Willaston & St Winefrides Primary schools due to lack of people. Please consider whether this is something you can do. It is only once a month visiting 2 schools for about 1 hour each, contact Rev Cathy Helm 07471 890 827. The next stories are On the road to Emmaus (Resurrection) The secret baby (Moses) The great escape (Exodus). Margaret Heibel.

