



St. Michael's Church Galleywood Newsletter, May 2018

“Jesus, teach us all to love”

In addition to the notice sheet this newsletter is to share all of the wonderful things that happen during the week at St Michaels. **Items for the newsletter should be sent to Amy Baptiste via amz_wilson@hotmail.co.uk.** The newsletter will be sent out bi-monthly.

Free books for year six

Copies of Scripture Union's It's Your Move will be handed out to all year six pupils at St Michaels school next month. Youth Worker Ellen Morrison will lead the assembly, and she hopes it will help to calm any fears the children have about moving to big school. Ellen will be joined by members of the Schools Youth Ministries team who will be providing a link to the children's new schools. Ellen said: "I'm going to be quizzing the children on a series of phobias which will then lead on nicely to the story of Peter. It's an opportunity to show them that with God by our side we have nothing to fear. "I'm so pleased the church funded these books. It's Your Move provides lots of useful advice, case studies from children who have moved to secondary school and links to explore the Bible. Every copy has been stamped with St Michael's, so the children can remember it was a gift from the church."

Welcome Team Afternoon Tea



The welcome team shared an Afternoon Tea on the 20th May. It was a good opportunity to get together and socialise as a team.

Anne Pepper who updated the team on Fire Safety and communion procedures joined them.

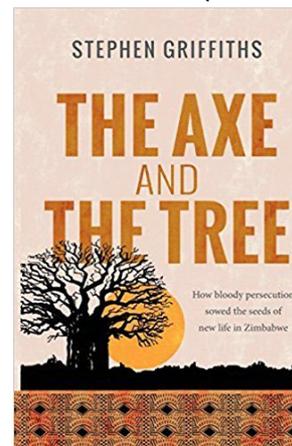


One million and counting

Two boxes of trimmed stamps have been sent to the Leprosy Mission thanks to Older Youth. Youth Worker, Ellen Morrison, said: "It was a dusty job as some of the stamps were very old, but we enjoyed looking at the designs and helping this worthy cause." Donated stamps have raised more than £1m in the past 30 years to help those affected with this condition.

The Axe and the Tree by Stephen (Steve) Griffiths.

Steve and Anna Griffiths have been our link missionaries with OMF for over twenty years and they have visited Galleywood several times. Steve (or Stephen) has now written a



book 'The axe and the tree' about his family and Zimbabwe where he was brought up (then Rhodesia). I feel I know him better through the book particularly the role of parents and grandparents. He covers a childhood on a mission station near the Mozambique border at

the front line of the fighting in the 60's and 70's and the difficulty of living a Christian life (or any life) in the midst of it. Steve's home and mission school were caught in the cross fire between Rhodesian troops and ZANLA. A moving readable book. I recommend it (available on Amazon and on Kindle) as a preparation for their visit to Galleywood in September. Steve and Anna went on to Cambodia, Singapore and now Brazil - their latest prayer letter (available from Vervan Wilson) shows him still in the midst of violence.

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