

At our Deanery Festival on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September at St Peter's Church, Fleetwood at 2pm, members received Long Service Certificates. Margaret Taziker for 55years, Sylvia Prentice for 45 years and Joyce Smoker for 35years. We hope that our branch will receive the Bronze Award for the Rise Up against Domestic Abuse Campaign soon. We will be collecting items for Women's Aid from September. They need any size of nappies, shampoos, conditioners and any cleaning items.

The evening group met to plan the programme on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September. The next meeting is a Desert Island Discs Evening on 8<sup>th</sup> October. Then on 12<sup>th</sup> November, Rev John Squires will speak to us. We look forward to our Opening Service on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm in church. This will be part of our campaign for Rise UP as we raise our voices on behalf of the voiceless. We will also be enrolling 4 new members. The following afternoon meeting will be on the **5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday**, 30<sup>th</sup> October when Wendy Ouali will talk about Life in Algeria.

Theme – Transformation Now – Seasons of fruitfulness  
*The one whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night, is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season. Psalm 1:2-3*

Loving Lord, plant your love within us that we may enjoy seasons of abundant fruitfulness. Lead us, loving Father, to fertile places; to cultivate a harvest of faith. Teach us, gracious Saviour, to nestle close to you; that the Spirit may produce fruit in us. Grow us, heavenly Gardener, into those who have spiritual food to share with the world. Loving Lord, nurture us with your goodness that we may enjoy seasons of abundant fruitfulness. Amen