

No Roots material this week (double next) so why not write your own prayer

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## Wesley Methodist Church

<https://wesley.valeofstour.org.uk>

<https://wesley.valeofstour.org.uk/virtual-church>

Newsletter: Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2020

### Weekly Feature – Favourite Hymns – Morning Hymn

Morning has broken like the first morning  
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird  
Praise for the singing, Praise for the morning  
Praise for them springing fresh from the Word

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven  
Like the first dew fall on the first grass  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden  
Sprung in completeness where His feet pass

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Keep Safe – God Bless

**Vale of Stour Circuit :- From Olwyn Dimmock, Circuit Advocate Action for Children.**

As we have had to cancel a concert, the annual afternoon tea and most likely the coffee morning, AFC will miss out on around £2000 plus, that would have been raised at these Circuit Events.

I have spoken to Amanda Quinn, Area Fundraising Manager and she has asked if any of the churches or individuals would like to sponsor her own AFC nationwide challenge “Boycott your Bed”, or perhaps take up the challenge themselves.

**See below Amanda’s email**

I would be extremely grateful if you please take a minute to have a look at our new virtual challenge Boycott Your Bed: <https://www.boycottyourbed.co.uk/> As, I’m sure you are very aware, we here at Action for Children are struggling immensely for funding at the moment, we really need your help.

*If you can’t take part – and it doesn’t really have to be on 21<sup>st</sup> – please consider sponsoring me at: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/amanda-devlin2> THANK YOU SO MUCH.*

On Friday 21st August I’m taking part in the Boycott your Bed challenge with others from my organisation and will be sleeping in an unusual spot in my home or garden to raise funds for Action for Children.

I am hoping that you will all join me in supporting Action for Children by taking on the challenge too. Ask your organisation to join forces with family, friends or colleagues, or go solo and raise money to help vulnerable children and families across the UK who are in desperate need. It’s an easy-to-do and engaging fundraiser that the whole organisation can get involved in.

Even before coronavirus hit the UK, more than 4.2 million children were locked in poverty. Now, vulnerable children and their families have reached breaking point.

Action for Children help by running 476 services across the UK, helping more than 387,000 children, young people and families every year. They work tirelessly to make sure every child has a safe and happy childhood.

Everyone can choose to take part their own way – whether that’s roughing it in the garden, pitching a tent under your table, or bunking down in the bathroom. There’ll be virtual entertainment and fundraising fun on the night, too, bringing homes together across the UK.

Where will your staff be sleeping this August? Encourage them to sign up and your company will be a part of a national movement to help vulnerable children and families. It’s simple, all they need to do is:

- Get a team together and assign a team captain
- Sign up at [boycottyourbed.co.uk](https://www.boycottyourbed.co.uk)
- Get those thinking caps on for fundraising activities

You will find all the info you need here: <https://www.boycottyourbed.co.uk/>

If you have any questions or want to chat about it, feel free to email me or call me on 07392 75 60 59

**If you can’t take part but would like to donate to my page, you can do so here: <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/amanda-devlin2>**

Thank you for your support. Thanks for reading, and all the best.

**Amanda Quinn**

Area Fundraising Manager, Community Partnership Fundraising, Central Region

From Margaret

I joined Rev Josephine's zoom meeting on Monday 27<sup>th</sup>. Also there Sue and Janet from Birch Coppice, Brian & Pat, Carol and Jean from Amblecote Wordsley - below Josephine report and invitation to the next meeting.

*1) Home work: Please watch the movie  
War Room*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-RFjN-A-y68>

*Please make some notes / reflections....  
Will you recommend others to watch it? Why?*

*2) Link to our next Zoom meeting on 10th August  
Please bring your lunch/ coffee/tea/ puddings !*

*Josephine AM Soon is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.*

*Topic: Methodist Movie Group  
Time: Aug 10, 2020 01:00 PM London*

*Join Zoom Meeting*

<https://zoom.us/j/98886442795?pwd=b053OnVLZ2RzdThwL0lGUW5sS UdWdz09>

*Meeting ID: 988 8644 2795  
Passcode: 154099*