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## Speakers and talks available for Branch Meetings : FEBRUARY 2024

For reasons of data protection, the details of speakers have been deleted from this document. However, it does enable you to see what talks are available. Your branch leader will have a copy with contact details.

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| <p><u>Objective 1: Marriage</u><br/>Supporting, promoting and strengthening marriage and married life<br/>(includes preparing couples for marriage)</p>   |  |
| <p><u>Objective 2: Supporting Families in faith</u><br/>Helping families to explore and enjoy faith together and encouraging parents in their role to develop the faith of their children<br/>(includes baptism links, Hand in Hand resource, Children in Church, Messy Church)</p> |  |
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| <p><u>Objective 3: Building a Christian Community</u><br/>Faith is central to the work of Mothers' Union<br/>(includes prayer and worship, worldwide Wave of Prayer, retreats, quiet days)</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>History of Lent</b> – talk with Power-point slides</li></ul>                |
|   | <p><b>My continuing journey with God:</b> personal reflections from childhood experience to where I am at present.</p> |

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| <p><u>Objective 4: Supporting Family Life</u><br/> Together we can make a real difference to the lives of families and communities around the world, so we work to promote conditions in society favourable to stable family life and the protection of children (includes campaigning, parenting progs, literacy and financial education progs, family life prog, community development)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>How Friends of the Holy Land are supporting Christians in the Holy Land</b> – a first-hand insight into the difficulties of daily life for Christians in the region where Jesus was born and Christianity began:</li> </ul>   |
|   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Wave of Prayer.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Who Do We Think We Are?</b> You never know what you might find in your family tree, so how does it affect how we see our neighbours today?</li> </ul> <p><b>NSPCC</b> – find out more about what they do, including Child-Line, how the money is spent, and what you might do to be more involved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Passionate about Parenting</b> – how the MU Parenting Programme helps parents and carers, and supports family life.</li> <li>• <b>Relationships and Sex</b> – how parenting groups can help parents and grandparents tackle tricky subjects and why it’s important.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Prison Visiting:</b> How the Mothers’ Union scheme started, and the experience of prison visiting</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Why do so many victims of rape choose not to report it?</b><br/> Hear from the experience of staff working at Coventry Rape and Sexual Abuse Centre</li> </ul> |

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Coventry Haven</b> – a presentation based on the services provided, positive outcomes, and a personal journey through abuse. Haven supports women &amp; children through all types of abuse, by providing support, information and safe refuge. Training &amp; awareness-raising are also available to agencies and local community members. She will suggest ways in which MU members can support raising awareness, providing toiletries and other goods.</li> </ul> |
|  | <b>Azerbaijan</b> - Building a refuge for women and children.  |
|  | <b>KAPSABET</b><br>A visit to our sisters in faith<br><br><u><b>New Talk for 2023</b></u>  |
| <u>Objective 5: Helping Those Facing Adversity</u><br>(includes bereavement support, HIV/AIDS work, prison work, emergency relief support to families and communities, Away From It All holidays, Community Development Co-ordinators) |  |
| <u>All objectives</u>  | <b>M U ALLSORTS</b><br><br><b>NEW TALK 2023</b>  |

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|                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>“Open the Book”</b> – reaching and teaching children in school</li> </ul>  |
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| <u><b>Additional talks</b></u> | <b>The First 100 years of the Mothers’ Union in Coventry</b>   |
|                                | <p><b>Estate Planning includes inheritance tax</b><br/> <b>Sideways disinheritance, and blended families</b></p> <p><b><u>NEW TALK FOR 2023</u></b></p> <p><b>The Variety of Services provided by Myton Hospice</b> and how they support people, both patients and their families/carers.</p>  |
|                                | <p><b>“Flourish”</b> is a Christian organisation based in Leamington. Mentoring and offering small group courses for teenage girls.</p> <p><b>Pilgrims Walk</b></p> <p><b>Mary’s Meals Story</b><br/> Charity feeding 2.4million children in 16 countries. The children are fed daily in their place of education, giving them food, an education and hope for the future.<br/> It costs £19.15 to feed a child for a whole school year.</p> |

**NEW TALK FOR 2023**

**Where have all the flowers gone?**

**A reflection on the changes in UK farming at a time of climate crisis, and how it involves us all  
A Christian based charity supporting farmers through difficult times**

**NEW TALK FOR 2024**

**Talking on Mercy Ships , a charity surgical hospital to the poor based in West Africa**

**NEW TALK FOR 2024**

**The Leprosy Mission England and Wales**

**A talk with film show.**

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***For any changes to this list please contact Heather Greaves.***

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***It is suggested that branch leaders/contacts are to send expense form in advance to external speakers prior to their talk, who in turn should give it to the branch leader/contact, on the day they give their talk, who will then check it, sign it and return to Gary Askew, Treasurer by email (GaryAskew@coventry.anglican.org) or to the MU office for processing. It will then be authorised for payment by the DP/VP.***

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