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GOOD NEWS

REGENERATION OF HIGH STREETS

Keighley: When big retailers abandoned the High Street, the locals got creative and stilt walkers took to the street, there were free events and trails, a gallery set up for various projects, studios and spaces for education and local involvement - Community, Creativity and Celebration.

OUR JUSTICE AND PEACE MONTHLY MEETING

always starts with a sharing of Good News. These are some of the things shared last week:

- Volunteer rubbish pickers on our local beaches.
- The cheerfulness and patience of the Age UK coach driver taking people to the Royal Cornwall Show, especially as for the last 11 miles it was bumper to bumper at a snail's pace.
- The dedicated care and kindness of the A & E staff at Treliske, tending to patients in ambulances waiting for hours outside and those in the department. The staff working under very pressurised conditions.
- The Churches Together in Cornwall tent at the Royal Cornwall Show, with something for everyone, games for the children, a chance to practice bell ringing, a well-stocked bookshop, free refreshments, a Fair Trade stall and Chaplains and volunteers greeting people.

FOR REFLECTION & PRAYER

SENDING ASYLUM SEEKERS AND MIGRANTS TO RWANDA

Relief, Fear and Celebration: The Solidarity, Campaigning and Advocacy across the country has prevented the first intended flight taking off. We proved that "inhumanity will always find resistance" (JRS)

FIGURES REVEAL THE HOUSING CRISIS

The number of people registering for council and affordable housing in Cornwall has more than doubled in less than two years.

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More than half the UK's population now avoid the News and switch off because it is so overwhelmingly negative (Reuters). Reporting on Progress as well as Problems is needed to give a balanced view of reality, benefit people's mental health and wellbeing and empower people, showing that actions matter and change is possible.

ACTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Focus on the experience of Refugees, reading, praying and supporting refugee agencies.

Make this a week of spreading GOOD NEWS, focussing on the positive and bringing a change from doom and gloom.

Bring gratitude and a sense of the positive to those with whom we engage in conversation, and smile. A Smile may make all the difference to someone's day. Small actions can have big results.

I walked up from the Moor here in Falmouth early one morning last week and looked around me

The sun was shining and the sky was blue... no pollution.

The orange uniformed council worker was sweeping the street... no rubbish problem

Holiday makers were enjoying themselves... managing to afford a break

The local council library and art gallery were open... catering for a wide variety of educational needs... the country of south Sudan opened its FIRST public library in 2019

There was plenty of food in the shops... Ukraine exports much of its wheat to African countries, now there is extreme shortage adding to climate change and famine

The Salvation Army had a foodbank open, and a lovely young lady singing her heart out for donations to a Hospital in Zimbabwe.

The charity shops were open, we have enough clothes to give some away... unlike those in displaced and refugee camps

The council plants and tubs of flowers were watered... I did not have to walk miles to get water for my family's daily needs

Yes, indeed I felt blessed and thanked God for all that I experience here in Cornwall, being mindful of others in need locally and internationally.

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