

Women's World Day of Prayer Service



The service has been planned this year by a committee from the Philippines, where they recently suffered a severe earthquake.

Our Welford service will be held on March 3rd, at 10.30 am in the Methodist Church, led by Rev Ros Greenhalgh.

This prayer which encircles the world, begins at dawn in Samoa, and ends thirty six hours after it began as the sun sets, almost back in the same place. Services are attended by women, men and children from all denominations, or none, from 170 countries.

The organisation has grown from separate services held by different denominations in America in the mid 1800's, but now it is a truly international and ecumenical day of prayer, a reminder that just as our prayers encircle the world, so God encircles us with his love. The WWDP symbol includes 'world', a cross, with 'people' facing in all directions.

The Offertory from the services is shared by many churches and charities. In the UK in 2015, the tax reclaimed from the government, because of money being 'gift-aided, totalled an amazing £45,171.42!

Whoever you are, you will be welcome at our Welford service, with light refreshments afterwards.