

## FFWPU UK reminder: Annual Memorial Service on Sunday 4th August in Wiltshire

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You are warmly invited to our Annual Memorial Service, celebrating the lives of our dear brothers and sisters who went to the spirit world. The service will be hosted at the Holy Oak Memorial Woodland in Stanton Fitzwarren, Swindon, Wiltshire.

Starting promptly at 11am, we would appreciate if you could be there by 10.30am. David Hanna will give the main message and Bernard Chellew will be our MC. You are invited afterwards to a wonderful lunch prepared by

Keiko de Giles and the West Country members. There will be plenty of time for sharing.

If you did not contact us yet, please let us know if you will be coming. You can either contact Toyoko Davis at [toyokodavis@gmail.com](mailto:toyokodavis@gmail.com) or Françoise Murphy at [Pfgodart@gmail.com](mailto:Pfgodart@gmail.com). You can also call 07447 530118.

### **Seonghwa Ministry Meeting on 13th July – Anne Kobayashi and Françoise Murphy**

On Saturday 13th July, we held our Seonghwa Ministry (SHM) meeting for bereaved families in Lancaster Gate. It was attended by 10 widows/ widowers.

It began with a very beautiful and heartfelt prayer by our sister, Joyce Suda, which was followed by Françoise Murphy reading True Parents' words, including a poem called: 'Love with Silence'. After a brief reflection on True Father's words, we began to discuss some relevant topics concerning the SH Ministry.

First of all, we talked about the SHM page on the FFWPU-UK website. It was agreed that it would be nice to recognise on the website all of the members in the UK who have passed to the spirit world, like the SHM US do. We would like to invite the surviving spouse or family, if they wish, to write a short bio and send a photo of their loved one to Françoise and she will add them to the FFWPU-UK website. We also discussed having an additional plaque placed at Holy Oak Memorial site for those ascended members who are not buried there, but whose loved ones would wish them to be remembered there. Unfortunately, the original plaque is now full, so it will be necessary to create another one. Françoise has been speaking with Keiko de Giles about this.

We then spoke about the Annual Memorial Service at Stanton Fitzwarren, which will take place on the 4th August. We are very happy that Rev. David Hanna has agreed to be the speaker on the day, and also that Bernard Chellew will be MC. It was decided that, instead of having two testimonies, we would have time for members to spontaneously share about their loved ones and their life. The question of transport for those who do not have a car had to be addressed, and we may need to hire a car on the day. We would like for everyone who wishes to come to be able to get there and we discussed how we can help each other to make it happen.

Afterwards, we had a time of sharing personal experiences and feelings about being bereaved. One or two went through a difficult time, feeling abandoned by God and no longer feeling his presence, however they eventually were able to overcome those feelings. Françoise gave a moving testimony of her spiritual journey after losing her husband. Luz Anderfelt shared her testimony of a very meaningful experience that she had through taking part in a Family Constellation seminar. Other members shared various thoughts and experiences about their situations. The conclusion was that God helps each one in a different way and in a way that is appropriate for them.

We closed our meeting by expressing appreciation for the opportunity to meet together and to be able to share our experiences and concerns with each other.

We will meet again at the Memorial Service on Sunday 4th August, and then our next meeting will be in three months' time in November.