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Twenty seven members and friends gathered together on 21st April for their delayed Christmas lunch at Eden Bank Hotel. We were joined by our speaker from the Dumfriesshire and Stewartry Women's Aid, who gave us an update on their activities. This is a charity that MU in Dumfries have supported for many years, fulfilling one of our aims to help those whose family life has met with adversity. We were assured that our contributions of toiletries and gifts at Christmas were greatly appreciated and it was suggested that as the clients were housed in safe self contained flats and bungalows that cleaning materials would be useful and also the provision of grocery vouchers to enable them to choose their own shopping.

Domestic abuse comes in many disguises and can happen to men as well as women and it is good to know that the D & GWA

is operating to help those in need. St. John's MU are proud to be able to help with this service and it was interesting to hear that the organisation had recently been awarded recognition within the community for their work. We ended our lunch with a toast raised for HM Queen, patron of MU, on her 96th birthday.

We are looking forward to our service on 5th May at 2.00 when we will have new members enrolled and the meeting on 19th May at 12.30 when we will hear about "A Day in Delhi" from Carolynne who will include some flower arrangements for illustration. Our outing to Ellisland Farm followed by tea at Friars Carse is on June 9th.

Any member of the congregation is welcome to join us and as long as you are baptised in the name of the Trinity you can become a member of MU and we would welcome anyone from other congregations looking to join an active prayer based group with meetings twice a month.

Carolynne