# **CRSG Newsletter February 2018**

#### **Recent Events**

The Skipton families women's group comprises of the ladies of the families who have resettled in Skipton, an interpreter and befrienders. The aim is to learn about each other's cultures and countries as well as learning English and having fun. In December they decorated a tree for the St Andrews Tree festival which they named "They journeyed from the East" It was voted second favourite.

This group is looking for volunteers with interesting skills who would lead a session. (Tuesdays 12.30 to 2.30.) If you do feel able to offer something please contact Jan McKenney <a href="markenney@btinternet.com">mckenney@btinternet.com</a> Thank you.

**The 2018 "World Party"** was a great success as usual. Thanks to all who contributed to this and especially to the Batty Moss Ceilidh Band and St Andrews Church.



## 2nd-4th March Hosting weekend

If anyone would like to provide food for the Saturday evening event at St Andrews' Hall or give support with transport to and from Broughton Hall on the Saturday morning and/or generally help, (accompanying visitors on walks etc) please get in touch with judy.rogers@ydmt.org

Saturday March 17th from 10 to 11:30. Coffee morning @Trinity Methodist Church-Duckett Street Support and cake contributions needed!

Please ring Jane Dobson (01756 793626) if you can offer help on the day or with cakes (from 9:15ish)

**Sunday 18 March 4.30pm. Stations of the Cross for Refugees at St Stephen's Church** Approx 45 mins A fairly simple series of prayers linked to the 14 stations, with a reflection based on Pope Francis' letter for the world day for Migrants, with some music for quiet reflection.

## Plans for National refugee week (18-24 June).

**Thursday 21 June at 7 pm AGM** Venue tba. AGM business followed by a talk by Gulwali Passirili, **Saturday 23 June** A stall during the Saturday street market food, quizzes, leaflets etc. **Sunday 24 June** An evening service tba

## <u>Campaign</u> "Stand as one with refugee families"

'A simple change in the law could mean that divided families can be reunited. But we need your help. We need at least 100 MPs to attend a parliamentary debate on 16 March and to vote in favour of these changes. Please contact <a href="mailto:julian.smith.mp@parliament.uk">julian.smith.mp@parliament.uk</a> and let him know that families belong together.' <a href="https://www.amnesty.org.uk/">https://www.amnesty.org.uk/</a>

