

January 2023

## Dornakal Fund for the Needy

### Thank you!

The new trustees Janet Powell, Carol Linfield, Sylvia Gardiner and Gemma Mason would like to take this opportunity to wish you a happy and healthy 2023 and to thank you for supporting 'Dornakal Fund for the Needy', your contributions are very much appreciated.



At Norman Powell's 'celebration of life' service on September 17<sup>th</sup> 2022 £816.75 was raised from donations and a further 4 people committed to becoming regular donors which we're very thankful for.

We're also thankful to Liz Ross, the daughter-in-law of Joyce Ross founder of the charity who has agreed to develop a website which we hope will increase interest in the future.



### Christmas celebration

Kantha and Anil Krupaker organised the annual Christmas celebration in Dornakal which was held on 18<sup>th</sup> December. The occasion was attended by the beneficiaries, Dornakal's Bishop Thandrigaru Rt. Rev. Padma Rao Kodirekka and his wife, local pastors and Dr Divya Garu from the local hospital. It began with tea and Idlis (savory rice cake), there were prayers, a Christmas song, thanksgiving and Bishop Thandrigaru gave a Christmas message. Gifts chosen by Kantha and Anil and funded by the charity were given to the beneficiaries by the bishop and his wife, they included clothing of a Saree and blouse piece for the widows and a shirt with pant piece or Dhoti for the Widowers, each also received a woollen blanket. A meal of fried rice, chicken curry and Dalcha (lentil based stew) with curds was served and a sweet followed, everyone thoroughly enjoyed the special event.



### Fundraising and Events

Carol who has visited Dornakal on two occasions will be giving a talk to Dorridge Methodist Ladies Circle, 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

Due to the loss of a significant donor fundraising is needed to ensure the charity can continue, a number of events are planned for 2023 and further details will follow later in the year.

Fashion show – 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023 Kingswood Chapel, Packhorse Lane, Hollywood, Wythall, B47 5DQ

Open garden with plant sale – date and venue TBA

Quiz – date and venue TBA

### Contact

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