

St. Martin's Church Welton Baby Project February Newsletter 2017

Matthew 22:39 "Love your neighbour as yourself"



Jane's family taken at Joseph's christening

We welcome a new member of the team - Jane Proctor

Jane has been our contact at the Methodist Church since we began. She has two young children Imogen (now 3) and Joseph (8 months) recently christened. We have asked Jane to help us by representing the interests of Mum's with young families. Thank you Jane and welcome.

Quilt from across the pond from a long term supporter Jan Krehel who lives in Alaska.

Since this project began Jan has made special quilts for the newborns that this project has supported. *She regularly receives our monthly newsletter and has even persuaded knitters she knows to knit for us too.* So our family of supporters grows. Jan's previous quilts have gone to a baby that arrived after an extraordinarily long wait and the second to a Mum who had gone

through a lot of painful illness before her baby arrived. Please pray for the family who will receive this year's 2017 quilt from across the pond. Jan a heartfelt thank you from us all here in the UK shires!



A message from “Knit for Peace”

Dear St. Martin's Baby Project Welton,
I am delighted to say that we have received your wonderful knitted donations. We look forward to delivering the knitted items, as *they will undoubtedly make a big difference to those in need*. Thank you for your support, we truly appreciate it.

Your donations have a great impact on the communities where they are sent, not only do they provide much needed warmth, but the recipients are always so touched by the time and effort that you put into making these items.

Our policy is to encourage people to give, whether it is time or money. So we set about finding outlets. We now distribute regularly to over 80 outlets, including *hospitals, women's refuges, refugee drop in centers, prisons, community groups, and hospices as well as to developing countries*. We never sell the clothes; we send them where they are needed. We also pass on donations of yarn and needles to enable people on low incomes to knit. The operation has grown organically, and we estimate we have over 11,000 knitters.

Thank you Wool Baa Daventry



The Baby Project Team would like to send their thanks again to everyone at the Wool Baa. Members of the groups that meet there knit sew and crochet for our babies. Not only that they send us donations from time to time as well !

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OUR AIM is to support newborn babies born into challenging situations anywhere by: -

- **sending** a bath full of initial supplies to those known locally (see below)
- **distributing** newly made or bought items to newborns wherever that may be locally, nationally and worldwide to include refugee families and charities.
- **contributing** small donations to causes that help improve conditions for newborns in the short term

CONTACT NAME Gilly Beardmore lay minister at St. Martin's Church, Welton, Daventry mobile 07807011205 Contact us If you know of anyone who would benefit from receiving support from the project.

OUR SUPPORTERS include a growing number of local craft groups, individuals, schools and local Churches who regularly donate items.

FOR MORE DETAILS, visit The St. Martin's Church Welton Facebook Page or contact Gilly personally



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