



# MBF Newsletter

## Special Edition

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Greetings from Mark Masons' Hall,

We hope you are all enjoying a pleasant and peaceful summer, basking in the rather odd weather that we are having.

In this edition of the newsletter the Trustees would like to recognise the fund raising efforts of a very special individual, Mrs Sheila Hankins of Motcombe, near Shaftesbury in Dorset.

***This is Sheila's story: 'Early last year I lost two very good friends. W.Bro. Rodney Meerza, P.G.St.B. of the St Barnabas Lodge No.97, passed away in January 2015 from cancer. He was a very keen Mark Mason and worked hard for the degree and all of the various associated charities.'***

***Soon afterwards my Aunt passed away. She asked that the sale of all of her items should be donated to charity in particular those connected to cancer. I have been attending car boot sales in Dorset and Buckinghamshire as well as selling goods online.'***



***My good friend, W.Bro. David Eeles, P.A.G.Swd.B., received a magazine about Hope for Tomorrow which was raising funds for mobile chemotherapy units. This very worthwhile cause certainly fell within my Aunt's remit. I thought this would make a good charity to contribute to in memory of Rodney and my Aunt.***

***I now have pleasure in making this donation of £1,500 to the Mark Benevolent Fund which I know will go to the core point in helping those in need.'***

Sheila's donation of £1,500, like the many others received by the M.B.F., will help ensure the continued support for worthy causes such as Hope for Tomorrow and the many other charities across the UK. Sheila is now one of the few Ladies Grand Patron Gold Award members and we wish her well in her future fundraising activities.

*Mark Well Brethren,*

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