

THE BUTTERFLY SUITE @ WIGAN

On April 13th, *The Butterfly Suite @ Wigan* opened its doors to provide a better living experience for those of our brothers and sisters with dementia. We are very excited with the many features of this new suite.

As you pass the Hairdressing Salon and new Nail Bar, you enter the suite by walking down **The Gallery**. This features some beautiful pictures of creation, for example the eagle and acacia trees. It helps to help calm the mind and acts as a reminder of our lessons from creation.

All along the gallery are bedrooms, and then you enter a shared living space which comprises of a cafe, dining area, lounge and indoor garden. To help minimise the confusion someone with dementia can feel, a well lit, colourful living space is essential, with many soft furnishings and detail in contrasting colours.

All who attended the open day, including a number of

healthcare professionals, commented on how impressed they were by these new facilities.

Now that the suite has been open for a while we've been asking the carers and relatives how its operating.

CQC (Care Quality Commission) visited last week and in their report they were very impressed saying "you've thought of everything!"

Having a specialist area like this does bring challenges and our carers are working and training hard to care for these ones.

Another benefit of the suite is that other areas of the home, where our residents do not suffer from dementia, feel more relaxed and this has been noticed by relatives and visitors too.

We have made available a short video about the butterfly suite on our website, we're sure you will be happy to see the finished product.

"A fantastic, immersive environment, extremely impressive! A great asset to our borough and to people living well with dementia." - Wigan Council













PRIVACY POLICY (GDPR)

As you are probably aware, the new GDPR came into effect on 25th May 2018. We have updated our privacy policy on the website in line with this. Your privacy is very important to us and we outline clearly in the policy what happens to your data. We are so happy to share our news with you and love hearing your feedback, but we would also like you to be aware that you can update your information or remove your consent at any time.

DON WALKER

"It was faith strengthening because on many occasions we had no money and no food but we never went without a cooked meal."



In a <u>new video from our Wigan home</u>, Don briefly recounts his life story telling us about the many privileges he has enjoyed in his service to Jehovah since 1941 after getting baptised in Leicester, featuring his service in Peterlee, County Durham, on convention planning and as a circuit overseer. Available now on our website.



IN LOVING MEMORY: ELIZABETH (BETTY) BARBER 1927 - 2018





Elizabeth known affectionately as Betty, came with her husband Harold to work with us in the very early years of setting up a home for the brothers and sisters. They worked tirelessly to support the <u>first home in Blackpool</u>. Betty had previous experience in managing sheltered accommodation in Maghull near Liverpool and some nursing/caring experience in her younger years. Both Betty and Harold were a great team with a wonderful sense of humour and displayed a real loyal spirit in their work. They will never be forgotten by those who worked closely with them and enjoyed such happy times together. - Hebrews 6:10.

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