



## Welcome

Salaam Alaikum to all MBG members and friends. A quick update to you all and seasons greetings.

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### 2019 AGM

The 2019 MBG AGM meeting is a chance to find out what MBG has been up to for the past year, catch up with friends and members and talk to the Trustees and volunteers about the year ahead. Please do join us from 5:30 for 6pm on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May at the Friend's Meeting House, The Parade, Marlborough. There will be drinks, cakes and snacks. A copy of the agenda is attached and also available online.

You can view a copy of the 2018 accounts and the 2018 annual report (once finished) on the MBG website here:

[www.mbg.org/about-mbg/mbg-policies](http://www.mbg.org/about-mbg/mbg-policies)

### Annual report in the post?

We will post out copies of the annual report as well as sending an electronic copy to this email.

- If you would NOT like a physical copy please email and let us know. It saves us time and money while also being good for the environment.
- If you WOULD like a physical copy but don't think we have your up to date address, please let us know your current address.

Contact us at [info@mbg.org](mailto:info@mbg.org)

Thank you.

## Annual MBG Quiz

This year's 11<sup>th</sup> Annual MBG quiz was contested by 12 teams. The team 'ChurchMob' from Savernake Forest emerged the winners, on only their 11<sup>th</sup> attempt, by a clear six points. Well done to them. The evening raised £750 after costs in support of the 2020 Summer Group project for students St. John's Marlborough. 2020 group leaders Anna Gent and James Busby were there on the night.

Thank you to all the volunteers on the night who make the quiz possible, and particular thanks to Sonia, Pam and Micky for organising all the food. Thank you.

## Gambia in the news

Here are two stories about the Gambia that were in the news recently.

Firstly, from the BBC, the opening of a bridge across the River Gambia at Farafenni which is set to remove days of travel when moving from northern Senegal to the southern Casamance region.

<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-africa-46973684>

Secondly an article in The Guardian about ex-president Yahya Jammeh being accused of stealing up to \$1bn before fleeing The Gambia.

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2019/mar/27/gambias-ex-president-stole-almost-1bn-before-fleeing-country>



The new bridge over the River Gambia at Farafenni.

**Until next time**

See you at the AGM on the 15th.

As always, you can reach us at [info@mbg.org](mailto:info@mbg.org).

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