

Away from
It all.



Away from it All for families, 2021.

This year Newcastle Diocese Mother's Union has sent 51 adults and 55 children on caravan holidays. Margaret Crawforth, the MU AFIA rep, has had to find five replacement families at very short notice because of changing circumstances and personal family problems. It has been important to do this because of the very high cost of hiring caravans this year. However, the response we have had from families shows just how valued the time away is.

It is significant to note that a large number of the families this year have been recommended by health visitors, crisis workers, or the Northumberland Domestic Abuse services. There have been more children and adults with health problems this year and some who rely on the Food Bank because of severe money problems. Some sponsors also stress the mental health problems of several of the clients.

In their requests, sponsors have stressed their desire to give the families something to look forward to, in order to help them recover from abuse and to brighten their lives. For those with life threatening conditions the hope is to create lasting memories for their families.

Mother's Union hope that in some small way we have helped some families "get away from it all". Sincere thanks to all of you who have made this possible.

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