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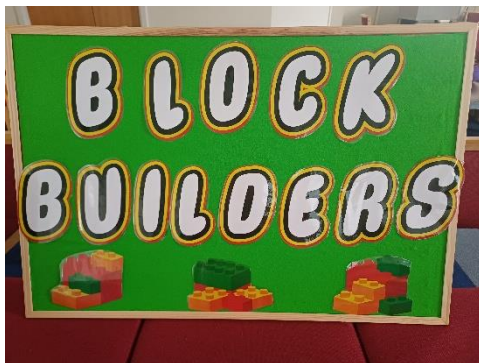
Methodist Families Together



As we embark upon a new year with our Family Church – Methodist Families Together, we are delighted to reflect on the blessings of our recent summer holiday club. This year's programme was another great success, and we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all our incredible volunteers. Your dedication and enthusiasm are the very foundation of what we do – without your commitment, our summer holiday club simply could not happen.

Kingdom Builders Holiday Club

Once again, Macclesfield Methodist Church was transformed into a vibrant kingdom for our Kingdom Builders holiday club, inspired by Minecraft and Lego. The children were enthralled by our larger-than-life Alex and Steve characters – if you're not familiar, do ask a child to fill you in! Over three lively days, our Master Builders, Graham and Angela, led sessions focusing on the theme of building God's kingdom together.



Each morning, the church buzzed with anticipation as children arrive, many eager enough to come early each day! Upon arrival, they were given a warm welcome and directed into their Kingdom groups, the 'Block Builders' and 'Pixel Pioneers'. Every day began with a special activity to spark their creativity and set the tone for the day ahead.

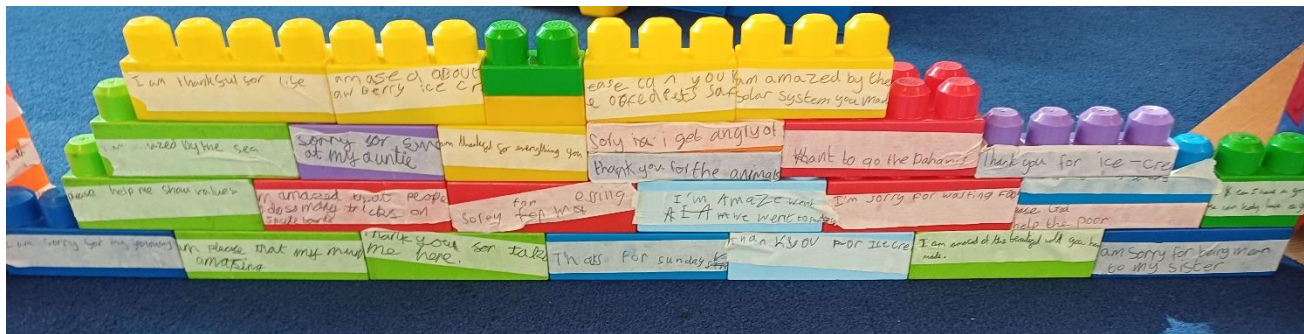
On the first day, the children got stuck in by designing their own avatar masks,

immersing themselves in the theme and preparing for their building adventures. Day two saw them challenged to construct model temples using a variety of building materials, showcasing their remarkable creativity and teamwork. On the third day, the children's imagination was put to the test as they worked collaboratively in teams to create impressive structures using spaghetti and marshmallows. Each activity encouraged collaboration and imagination, ensuring everyone was ready for a fulfilling day of creative construction and learning.



We began each day gathered as one, introducing our daily theme. Graham and Angela explained to the children that we are all called to be Kingdom Builders – God invites us to join Him in building His kingdom. As creative beings, made in God's image, we celebrated our talents through fun activities, uplifting songs, and prayer. Afterwards, the children explored a variety of activities in their groups before coming together for food, drinks, and fellowship.

After lunch, we reunited to reflect on the day's learning 'IRL' (in real life), sharing insights and experiences. We closed each day with a prayer activity, writing or drawing prayers on bricks, which were then assembled into a wall, symbolising our collective prayers and hopes.



Day One: We explored Genesis 1:26-28, learning about God as the ultimate Kingdom Builder. We discussed how we are made in His image and entrusted to care for the world He lovingly created, emphasising our responsibility to build a better world.



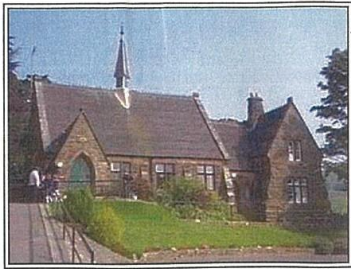
Day Two: The focus shifted to Solomon's construction of the Temple (1 Kings 6:11-13; 8:10-13). We reflected on God's closeness and presence among His people, teamwork, and the importance of sharing God's love with others.

Day Three: We delved into Jesus' parable of the wise and foolish builders (Matthew 7:24-27; Luke 6:46-49), considering what it means to build our lives on a strong foundation – Jesus and His teachings – for true joy, hope, and resilience through life's storms.



The holiday club was a true joy for all involved. Our heartfelt thanks go out to everyone who contributed – from organisers and team leaders, to the countless volunteers, especially those in the kitchen keeping us refreshed, the packing-up crew, and those who spent hours preparing resources in advance. Your generosity and hard work made this event possible and memorable for everyone.

On 4th July, MFT hosted 30 Wincle Primary School pupils (aged 8–11) at Macclesfield Methodist Church to learn about Christian denominations. The school later sent a letter of thanks.



Wincle CE Primary School

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Dear Angela,

We are writing to share and thank you for the wonderful welcome into the wonderful Methodist church. Here is what we enjoyed:

We all had fun doing the singing at the end as it was very inclusive.

The worksheet was very interesting as we got to walk round and investigated everything and complete the task.

I liked how the beast was chosen to show it doesn't matter who you are.

How John Wesley travelled, preached methodist ways, was intriguing and really captured my interest.

We all loved the fish crafts and how we got to learn about what John Wesley said to his people.

We all loved learning about the founder of the Methodist Church John Wesley and his amazing adventures with Gospel the mighty, loyal horse.

Once again, thanks to you and the helpers making it fun.
from Jupiter class



Encouraging, supporting & Resourcing New Faith Communities in the Manchester & Stockport Methodist District

'For we can certainly do it!'

Numbers 13:30

New Places for New People is a key component of the national Methodist Church's *God for All* strategy. Over the next few years, each district across the connexion will be challenged to start several new faith communities. *Caleb* is the name chosen for the Manchester & Stockport District's response to this national church strategy. As this initiative develops, a special emphasis will be given to supporting churches on the social and economic margins of society.

We remain connected to the Caleb community and will receive our second grant this year. We recently appeared in a Caleb-commissioned publicity video highlighting established faith communities, available on the district website. Another video focusing on MFT is coming soon.

Our schedule is full of events as we approach Christmas and continue afterwards. October, in particular, is a very hectic month.

We plan to hold a one-day Christmas holiday club on Monday, 22nd December from 10am–3pm at Broken Cross Methodist Church, pending volunteer availability. If this isn't possible, we'll organise a family fun day instead. If you can help and haven't told Susan or me yet, please get in touch or speak to your church children's lead.

MFT Events

Upcoming Events

October 2025

OCT 11	Chippy Church 4-5:30pm @ Broken Cross Methodist Church SK10 3JR
OCT 18	Muddy Church from 10:30am @ Poynton Methodist Church SK12 1RB
OCT 25	Light Party 2-4pm @ Broken Cross Methodist Church SK10 3JR
OCT 26	Youth Group YR6 + 5-7pm @ Prestbury Methodist Church SK10 4BW
OCT 29	Stay & Play 10am - 12pm @ Macclesfield Methodist Church SK10 1BX
OCT 31	Stay & Play @ Broken Cross Methodist Church SK10 3JR
OCT 31	Light Parade 2-4pm @ Prestbury Methodist Church SK10 4BW

→ **Methodist Families Together**
email: methodistfamilies@gmail.com



£2 per child



LIGHT PARTY

A light, bright and fun alternative to Halloween

Crafts **Games**

Food

Saturday 25th October 2-4pm @ Broken Cross Methodist Church SK10 3JR

Suitable for 0+ yrs-parents/carers to stay with children

Music

@ BrokenCrossChildren



HALF TERM DROP IN

STAY & PLAY

Wednesday 29th October 10-12pm
@ Macclesfield Methodist Church SK10 1BX

Friday 31st October 10-12pm
@ Broken Cross Methodist Church SK10 3JR

Aimed at under 5's
Older siblings are welcome

Suggested donation £1 per child including a drink and snack



Light Parade

A celebration of LIGHT and a fun alternative to Halloween

Friday 31st October 2-4pm @ Prestbury Methodist Church

Suitable for 0+ yrs-parents/carers to stay with children
Suggested donation £2 per child

To find out more, visit:
@Prestbury Methodist Kids



Could you write an article for the next e-Messenger?

We love to feature contributions from members of the congregation who would be willing to tell us what they are doing, tips to share with others etc. It would be lovely to hear from you!

email: macclesfieldcircuit@gmail.com

Prayer Cycle – In this season of Harvest, we include some prayers taken from All We Can's harvest resources.....

All We Can has served some of the most marginalised communities on earth for the last eight decades – since a group of Methodists answered the call of refugees in Europe, in the 1930s.



Lord of the Harvest,
We lift up the countries and places around the world where conflict is rife and the people of those areas are struggling to survive. We pray for peace and justice, for wise leaders and compassionate policies to bring hope back into desolate situations. We name the places that lay heavy on our hearts now (leave space). We ask, Lord, that you would comfort the grieving, protect the vulnerable, and show us how we can be peacemakers and justice-bringers in the world.
Nurturing God
Help your people grow

Lord of the Harvest,
Thank you for the reminder in the Parable of the Sower that your desire is for us all to hear your word and to be fruitful. We pray for All We Can's partner RHRAP and the many other organisations they partner with who are working alongside local communities to ensure that everyone has the chance to see their potential fulfilled. We pray that you will help us to listen to local communities as they share their experiences, hopes and dreams, and teach us to be good partners.
Nurturing God
Help your people grow

Lord of the Harvest,
We pray for a fierce and flowing river of justice in our own land. We pray for the thousands of people living in poverty especially children. We pray for the people working tirelessly to provide enough for their families and feeling despondent that there doesn't seem to be any release from that pressure. We pray for the opportunities we have to be justice seeking. Help us to look for ways to uplift, amplify, and support the voices of those struggling the most in our communities, near and far.
Nurturing God
Help your people grow

Lord of the Harvest,
We bring all our prayers, spoken and unspoken, to you now. We thank you for the call you have placed on our lives to love you and one another.
Please accept our prayers and look graciously upon your people.
Nurturing God
Help your people grow
Amen.

From: [Harvest Resources 2025 – All We Can](#)



Members' voice....

What is Action for Children?

It is a national charity which has its origin in Methodism – in 1869 a Methodist minister, Rev Dr Thomas Bowman, when visiting London was very disturbed and unhappy when he saw children sheltering and sleeping under the railway arches near Waterloo station. Soon after that his ministry brought him to London and, as part of his ministry, he sought to do something to help such children. In 1871 he brought 2 boys into their home which soon increased until the need to house many more, became evident and soon, 'Methodist Children's Homes' were opened all over the country in order to provide safety and care for vulnerable children. Initially they were just 'Homes' but some then also sought to provide education – there was one in Congleton – called Danesford.

Does anyone remember 'Sunny Smiles'?

Once a year, children in Methodist Sunday schools were encouraged to sell photographs of smiling children who all lived in one of the homes – a penny a picture – in old money! We all competed to see how many we could sell!

As the years passed society changed and, quite rightly, the emphasis changed from the need to provide homes to the need to offer support for children and families in their own environment. This meant the name should change to reflect that – so in 2008 the old MCH charity was retitled to be called – Action for Children (AfC) – a dynamic title with emphasis on 'action'. (see the website for more information.)

There is an excellent team working at the centre but they are also supported by nationwide teams of volunteers. For us locally it includes all those who have boxes, those who run coffee mornings and those who are the AfC secretaries in each of our churches.

Until very recently Steve Oliver was the district representative for the Greater Manchester area but the new District covering the whole of the Northwest means that he no longer has a role. Hopefully we will soon find out who has taken on that role for our area. We will miss Steve's enthusiasm and hard work for AfC. He used to persuade us to rattle AfC boxes on Macclesfield station – on one occasion it was a bitter cold December morning! It was heartwarming to enjoy the generous giving by such a range of travellers – including school children out on a school journey on one occasion.

Many years ago, when I was the secretary at a church in Stockport, we were invited to visit a family centre in Wythenshawe where AfC worked with families and children who needed support. I was reminded of this when I read 'Sam's Story' in this year's AfC service booklet. It told the story of, not just Sam but also his mother and siblings. Despite the fact that so many of us live in reasonable comfort there are still too many stories of children and families in crisis.

Almost by default I have just taken on the role of Circuit AfC Secretary so I look forward to working with the AfC secretaries in each of our churches so that we can be proactive on behalf of all those in need of support.

Grateful thanks must go out to everyone who supports this very worthwhile charity.

Joan Pritchard, Prestbury Methodist Church.

Community & Church News

NWED District

District Online Worship

The recording of the District Online Worship from 12th October is now available [here](#). The evening focused on 'Safeguarding: May I?' and we were delighted that Jack Watson and Helen Bolton from Safeguarding were able to share their time with us.

The next online worship is:-

Sunday 9th November at 6.30pm

The Zoom link (which remains the same) is here:

<https://zoom.us/j/97923125645?pwd=L656LDUauCGtv46fg2PoKXxwI24E8a.1>

Meeting ID: 979 2312 5645

Passcode: 543701



**NORTH WEST ENGLAND
METHODIST DISTRICT**

District Online Worship

**Sunday 12th October at
6.30pm**

Safeguarding: May I?

With Jack Watson and Helen Bolton
(Officers for Safeguarding)

District Online Worship is held on the second Sunday of every month. For the Zoom code (which remains the same), please email prayer@nwedmethodists.org.uk or direct message us on Facebook

District Christmas Card Competition

It might only be October, but we are excited to launch our District Christmas Card competition!

It's only 79 days to Christmas (at the time of writing), not that we're counting...

The competition will be open to all children and young people that attend churches across the District or attend messy churches, forest churches and church affiliated uniformed organisations.

The winning design will be the cover of the District Christmas card, sent out our District Chair and other Senior Leadership at Christmas.

For further details click [here](#). To download the entry form, click [here](#).

We are also on the lookout for people to join our judging panel. So if you think that you have the Christmas spirit in abundance and think you know what makes a great Christmas Card, please email: admin@nwedmethodists.org.uk with a line explaining why you would like to be on the judging panel.

Gawsworth

Coffee mornings - Thursdays starting at 10.00am and finishing just before midday.

October

23rd Macclesfield Inner Wheel

30th East Cheshire Hospice for their appeal for new beds

November

6th East Cheshire Hospice

13th R.S.P.B.

20th Soup and sandwiches and cake with a time of worship at midday

27th MacMillan Coffee morning arranged by The Lions

December

4th Gawsworth for Christian Aid

11th Emergency aid for Ukraine

The Friendship Group a newly formed group, is meeting on 4th November at 10.30am, sharing Favourite Bible passages. December 2nd Crafts and Carols.

At midday on each of these occasions there is a ploughman's lunch cost £5

Macclesfield



Saturday 22nd November at 7.30pm Martyn Donaldson Music Trust presents

Macclesfield Methodist Community Choir and the Occasional Musicians (leader Nicola Bright) in a choral and orchestral concert.

The concert opener is C.V Stanford's glorious hymn of praise in his setting of the Te Deum. Next is the sublime Clarinet Concerto K622 with former MDMT music volunteer Chris Walters as soloist. After the Interval our quartet of soloists sing Mendelssohn's '*O come all ye that thirsteth*' from his oratorio Elijah and the concert ends with Mozart's Solemn Vespers of Confession K339 which are not solemn nor vespers nor confessions but in fact setting of Psalms 110-114 and ending with the Magnificat! Mozart at his choral best!

At Macclesfield Methodist Church. Tickets £10 adults, children £5 from 01625433187 / 01625615298

Save the Date...

Sunday 21st December 6 pm - Carol service with augmented community choir and musicians.

Christmas Eve (Weds 24th Dec.) 3.30 pm - Christingle

Christmas Day service Thursday 25th Dec 9.45 am (timing to be confirmed)

We are always pleased to receive articles for mini messenger and these are the words and views/ comments of the authors themselves. They may or may not represent the views of the Macclesfield Circuit of the Methodist Church.
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COMMUNITY

HOPE in NE Cheshire

Coming Soon: Prayer Stop in Macclesfield Town Centre

Exciting news! The Hope Centre has secured the use of a shop unit in the indoor Grosvenor Centre between the 10th & 29th November to engage with members of the public with prayer, to offer the gospel, or simply to chat. Children's activities will also be available. Many volunteers are needed to make this happen.

Volunteers will not be expected to be present at the shop by themselves, and they will be offered training in advance at one of the following sessions:

- Monday 27th October or Tuesday 28th October between 7:00pm and 8:30pm in the Hope Centre, Macclesfield, SK11 7NA.

Opening times for the Prayer Stop will be Monday to Saturday, 9:45 am to 1:00 pm, and 12:45 pm to 4:00 pm, but volunteers do not need to commit to a whole day or shift, as there is some flexibility about attendance times.

This will be a wonderful, God-given opportunity to reach out to many people in Macclesfield with the love of Jesus.

People who would like to participate should register with Rhona Marshall no later than October 19th. Or contact her asap if you simply want to find out more. Rhona's email address is rhona_cru@talktalk.net

Some further info is given in the brief. ➡

Please pray for an awesome overflowing of God's Spirit into every part of this opportunity.

OBJECTIVES OF PRAYER STOP

Monday 10TH to Saturday 29th November 2025

- Whilst Christmas should be a time of joy and celebration, however for many it can be a time of pressure and stress. Our aim would be to provide a space where those in need could Stop and if they wished ask for Prayer
- A friendly face, listening ear & welcome in the 'Prayer Stop' in the Grosvenor Centre
- Offer the gospel where appropriate / survey
- Offer people colouring in book, Jig saws
- Offer Prayer
- Encourage people to write the names of friends or family on a label so we can pray for them. This can be hung on the Christmas tree.
- Safeguarding training
- Safety Issues given to volunteers / Centre Emergency Drill
- Must be sensitive to all situations
- We are not councillors... we have been called by God and given a wonderful opportunity to use discretion and discernment when listening and speaking to people God sends into the 'Prayer Stop'. There will be two sessions each day: 9:45am -1pm & 12:45pm – 4pm

We must work together and not on our own. If we feel out of our depth we must include other mature volunteers to help us. Each Minister will receive a form to say the named volunteer attends their Church.

This is a Safeguarding measure.

Volunteers must apply to Rhona Marshall before Oct 19th

- Training given in the Hope Centre 'Upper Room' on Mon Oct 27th 7pm or Tue 28th Oct. 7pm – 8:30pm

07968 168 949 Email: rhona_cru@talktalk.net

Sunday October 26th 12:30 pm to 3 pm - Feeding the 500

Come for a meal made from surplus food on at St Michael and All Angels Church in Macclesfield as part of the October Treacle Market. There is no charge for the meal; donations are welcome, but not essential.



The poster features a central title 'Feeding the 500 Surplus Food Meal' in large, bold, black letters. The date '26/10/2025' and time '12.30 - 3PM' are displayed in white text on black starburst shapes. Below the title, 'OCTOBER TREACLE MARKET DAY' is written in white on a black oval. The location 'ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, MARKET PLACE, MACCLESFIELD' is in white on a green background. A green section contains the text 'MEAL MADE FROM SURPLUS FOOD THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN THROWN AWAY' and 'COME AND FIND OUT WHAT YOU CAN MAKE, WHERE TO ACCESS FOOD IN MACCLESFIELD AND HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED'. A black starburst on the right says 'Donations Welcome', and another on the left says 'Recipes Available'. At the bottom, 'Supported by:' is followed by logos for One Project, Streetwise, The Core PANTRY, Angel Table, Cre8, foodbank MACCLESFIELD, and Salford Community. The background includes illustrations of market stalls and a string of green bunting.

Feeding the 500 Surplus Food Meal

26/10/
2025

12.30 -
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OCTOBER TREACLE
MARKET DAY

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PANTRY
- Upton Priory -

Angel
Table

Cre8

foodbank
MACCLESFIELD

Salford Community
Partnerships and People's Fund

STREET FOOD

Starting on Weds Nov 12th 7pm to 9pm Money Management Course

A free 4-week course has been organised by Christians Against Poverty (CAP) at Tytherington Family Worship Free,.

More info: <https://capuk.org/get-help/money-coaching>

CAP Money Course

A free, short course that makes managing your money simple.



budget. save. spend

FREE 4-Week course 7pm-9pm

Wed 12th November

Wed 19th November

Wed 26th November

Wed 3rd December

- **Free Parking**
- **Refreshments provided**

Sign up at:

[capuk/moneycoaching](https://capuk.org/moneycoaching)



SCAN ME

Contact:

Steve Corker

01625 615 195

capmoneycoaching@tfwchurch.com

Location

Tytherington Family Worship Church,
Sandwich Drive,
Tytherington,
SK10 2UD

TFW
Church

Refugees Welcome

The object of the Event is to say "Thank you" to our Volunteers, Trustees, Donors and those who support us in any way.

It will be held at Macclesfield Methodist Church, starting at 2.30 pm. It will be in two parts. The first part will be a formal way of saying thank you. There will be brief speeches from our refugees, interspersed with musical items. This will be followed by tea/coffee and cakes and biscuits, baked by the refugees. Everyone who comes will be given a copy of our newly produced booklet chronicling 10 years of Refugees Welcome. This is our official invitation to the Event.

If you would like to come, please email refugeescheshireeast@gmail.com so we have an idea of the numbers to expect.



A copy of Boundless, the newsletter for Refugees Welcome is attached separately.



Methodist Women in Britain

for women, for justice, for Christ

The butterfly image represents aspects of Christian belief, such as:

- **The egg:** Symbolizes new life offered by Jesus to all who believe in him (John 3: 1-8).
- **The caterpillar:** Represents growth as disciples through feeding on the Word of God (2 Timothy 3: 15-17).
- **The chrysalis:** Signifies prayer as the powerhouse for Christians (Ephesians 3: 16).
- **The butterfly:** A symbol of resurrection, new life in Christ, freedom, and perfection (2 Corinthians 5: 17).

This symbol also aligns with the MWIB project "The Butterfly Project," which aims to end violence against women wherever it occurs, inspired by the Mirabel Sisters who were murdered by a Dominican dictator. The YouTube film "Code Name Butterfly" is recommended for viewing.

Women's rights activists have observed 25 November as a day against gender-based violence since 1981

There is a peaceful walk to support this in Manchester on November 25th for details see Ruth Gunning (Macclesfield) all are welcome

"Nowhere in the world is a woman safe from violence. The strengthening of global commitment to counteract this plague is a movement whose time has come."-Asha-Rose Migiro



Methodist Women in Britain is self-financed, primarily through donations, which enables us to fund the running of the movement, to underwrite our activities, events and resources, and to offer various gifts, grants and bursaries.

At a local level our next event is our Pudding Party on 14th November @ 6pm at Gawsworth Methodist Church.

All are welcome

Theos lecture

It was a pleasure to be invited to attend this event at Central Hall Manchester.

The event was addressed by Andy Burnham whose talk was entitled Faith with Devolution.

Andy Burnham was very humble and simplistic as he exhorted us to look around us for those who could do and bring them up rather than approaching big business or well known characters.

There was emphasis on faith. Faith can help us solve problems within and without the faith community.

A most interesting evening followed by canapes and soft drinks.

Ruth Gunning

Prayer Diary to November 2025

Our prayer diary can be used alongside the Methodist Church Prayer Handbook.

What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer

19th Oct	23rd Webinar – Intimacy 7.30pm; 25th Leonora Bristol District Creative Day On this day in 1987, an immense & unforeseen global stock market crash, Black Monday, happened. Let's pray today for people living in poverty, & pray wisdom & compassion on those handling money nationally & globally.
26th Oct	30th Leonora Chester & Stoke on Trent District; On this day in 1937, Nazi Germany began the process of deporting 18,000 Polish Jews. Let's pray today for people worldwide who are unsafe in or displaced from their homes. Let's also pray for those who are homeless.
2nd Nov	3rd-4th Leonora Bolton & Rochdale Retreat; 6th-8th Exec Retreat Holy Rood House, Thirsk On this day in 1983, the USA created Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Let's give thanks to God for all of the people who took part in the American Civil Rights Movement, proving the power of nonviolent protest. Let's pray for their work to be continued in the exposing & eradicating of racial discrimination and systemic racism worldwide.
9th Nov	11th Remembrance Day On this day in 1967, the Apollo 4 test spacecraft was launched with the first Saturn V rocket – the rocket that would later take astronauts to the moon. Let's praise the Lord today for scientific advancements & the growing of human knowledge, revealing the intricacy & beauty of God's creation & for more scientists to know Christ.
16th Nov	Finance Task Group 2pm & Exec meeting 7.30pm On this day in 1945, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) was founded to promote world peace, education, sustainable development, cultural diversity, & international cooperation. Let's thank God today for people & organisations worldwide who advocate compassion & Biblical values. Let's pray that more people will come to know God's loving heart for humanity and join the battle for His Kingdom.
23rd Nov	24th World Fed VP interviews; 25th Butterfly Service 10.30am London; 16 Days of Activism starts; 27th Webinar – FGM 7.30pm On this day in 1992, the first smartphone was introduced. Let's thank God today for communication and the connectedness and education that smartphones can bring. Let's also pray protection and wisdom over everyone as they navigate the misinformation and cyberthreats, and the dark side of having the internet in our pockets.
30th Nov	Advent Sunday; 16 Days of Activism continue to 10th December On this day in 1924, Shirley Chisholm was born. She would become the first black woman elected to the United States Congress. Let's give thanks today for the social progress made towards equal rights, & pray for the continued fight for racial & gender equality in government, in workplaces, in media & education, & in the church.

(Prayer focus this quarter prepared by Madeleine Reed, Helen Kim Memorial Scholar)

Just for fun - Wordsearch

For Britain, the First World War began on 4th August 1914 and ended on 11th November 1918. At the start, the British Government asked for 100,000 volunteers to join the Army. 750,000 applied in the very first month. An estimated 250,000 British boys lied about their age in order to join up. The youngest caught was just 12 - he was sent home. Average life expectancy in the trenches was just six weeks. In all, 65 million men from 30 countries fought in the First World War. More than nine million fighting men were killed during the conflict, a third of them through disease. At least 750,000 of these were British. The Victoria Cross, the highest military award, was awarded 628 times in the First World War.



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This quarter's services

2025	SEPTEMBER				OCTOBER				NOVEMBER				
	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30
										Remembrance			ADVENT 1
READINGS:	Jer 18:1-11, Phlm 1:1-21, Lk 14:25-33	Jer 4:11-12, 22-28, 1 Tim 1:12-17, Lk 15:1-10	Jer 8:18-91, 1 Tim 2:1-7, Lk 16:1-13	Jer 32:1-3a, 6-15, 1 Tim 6:6-19, Lk 16:19-31	Lam 1:1-6, Lam 3:19-26, 2 Tim 1:1-14, Lk 17:5-10	Jer 29:1, 4-7, 2 Tim 2:8-15, Lk 17:11-19	Jer 31:27-34, 2 Tim 3:14-4:5, Lk 18:1-8	Joel 2:23-32, 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18, Lk 18:9-14	Hab 1:1-4: 2:1-4, 2 Thes 1:1-4, 11-12, Lk 19:1-10	Hag 1:15b-2:9, 2 Thes 2:1-5, 13-17, Lk 20:27-38	Is 65:17-25, 2 Thes 3:6-13, Lk 21:5-19	Jer 23:1-6, Col 1:11-20, Lk 23:33-43	Is 2:1-5, Rom 13:11-14, Mt 24:36-44
BROKEN CROSS 10.30	Dallin HC	CCT	Morrell	S Bishop	Lucas HC	CCT	Dallin	OA	Gunning	F Bishop	Dallin HC	CCT	F Bishop
GAWSWORTH 10.30	Morrell T	CCT	Oliver	Lucas HF P	Bradley	CCT	Lucas HC	OA	S Bishop	Maltby R	Lucas HC	CCT	Ward T
LANGLEY 10.30	S Bishop HC	CCT	Lucas HF HC	F Bishop T	OA	CCT	Oliver	Lucas HC	Oliver	Lucas R	F Bishop HC T	CCT	Baker
MACCLESFIELD 9.00 10.30	OA Bf Lucas HC	CCT	S Bishop AAW	Rashleigh	OA Bf OA HF	Dallin/ Lucas HC	OA	Baker AAW	OA Bf Lucas	Dallin HC	Bradley	CCT	Beesley AAW
POYNTON 9.30 10.30 14.30	OA Bf Hawkyard	Lucas /Dallin	Gunning Dallin HC	Dallin HC	OA Bf Maltby HF	CCT	Hawkyard Lucas	F Bishop HC	OA Bf Rashleigh	OA	S Bishop TS Dallin	Lucas /Dallin	Dallin HC
PRESTBURY 10.30	Baker CR	CCT	Dallin HC	OA Cn	Dallin HF HC	CCT	Gunning	Rashleigh	Dallin HC	Hawkyard	Wakelin IF	CCT	Lucas
WOODLANDS MHA 14.30				Rashleigh				Rashleigh		Rashleigh			Rashleigh
ZOOM 18.30		District				District				District			
VIDEO													
PRAYER CYCLE:	Prestbury	Broken Cross	Gawsw'th	MFT	Langley	Poynton	Woodl'ds	Macclesfi'd	Prestbury	Broken Cross	Gawsw'th	MFT	Langley

AAW All Age Worship; **AfC** Action for Children Sunday; **AwC** All we Can; **B** Baptism; **Bf** Breakfast; **Blue** Blue Christmas; **C** Carols; **CA** Church Anniversary; **CB** Christmas Box; **CCT** Circuit; **Cf** Cafe; **Cn** Compassion; **CON** Contemporary Worship; **CONF** Methodist Conference; **CS** Covenant; **CT** Christingle; **Blue** Blue Christmas; **E** Emmaus; **EO** Easter Offering; **F** Family Service; **G** Gift; **GCM** General Church Meeting; **H** Healing; **HC** Holy Communion; **HF** Harvest Festival; **HM** Home Missions; **IO** Iona; **L** Faith Lunch; **LP** Local Preacher Recognition; **LS** Ladies' Sunday; **LU** Local United; **M** Memorial; **M&M** Music & Meditation; **MHA** Methodist Homes for the Aged; **N** Nativity; **OA** Own Arrangement; **OM** Overseas Missions; **P** Parade; **Pr** Proclaim; **Ps** Pulpit Swap; **Pv** Pastoral Visitors Dedication; **SOP** Songs of Praise; **T** Please Provide Transport; **Th** Thanksgiving; **Trad** Traditional; **TS** Toy Service; **TR** Time to Remember; **Tz** Taize; **WBC** Wellbeing Church.

CONTACTS & INFORMATION

YOUTUBE.... <https://www.youtube.com/c/macclesfieldmethodistcircuit>

Circuit Facebook page

For the latest information on what is happening within the circuit, follow....

<https://www.facebook.com/MacclefieldCircuit/>

Circuit Website

We also now have the Circuit website and there are lots of past services on this, see

<https://www.macclesfieldmethodistcircuit.com/>

the page with the links etc on is

<https://www.macclesfieldmethodistcircuit.com/about-3>

Daily Hope (see below)

This service includes messages, prayers, hymns and church services.



Are you in need of some daily hope?
The ***Church of England*** have a new
FREE telephone line for you to ring to
hear comforting hymns, daily prayers
and reflections.

Other important links

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