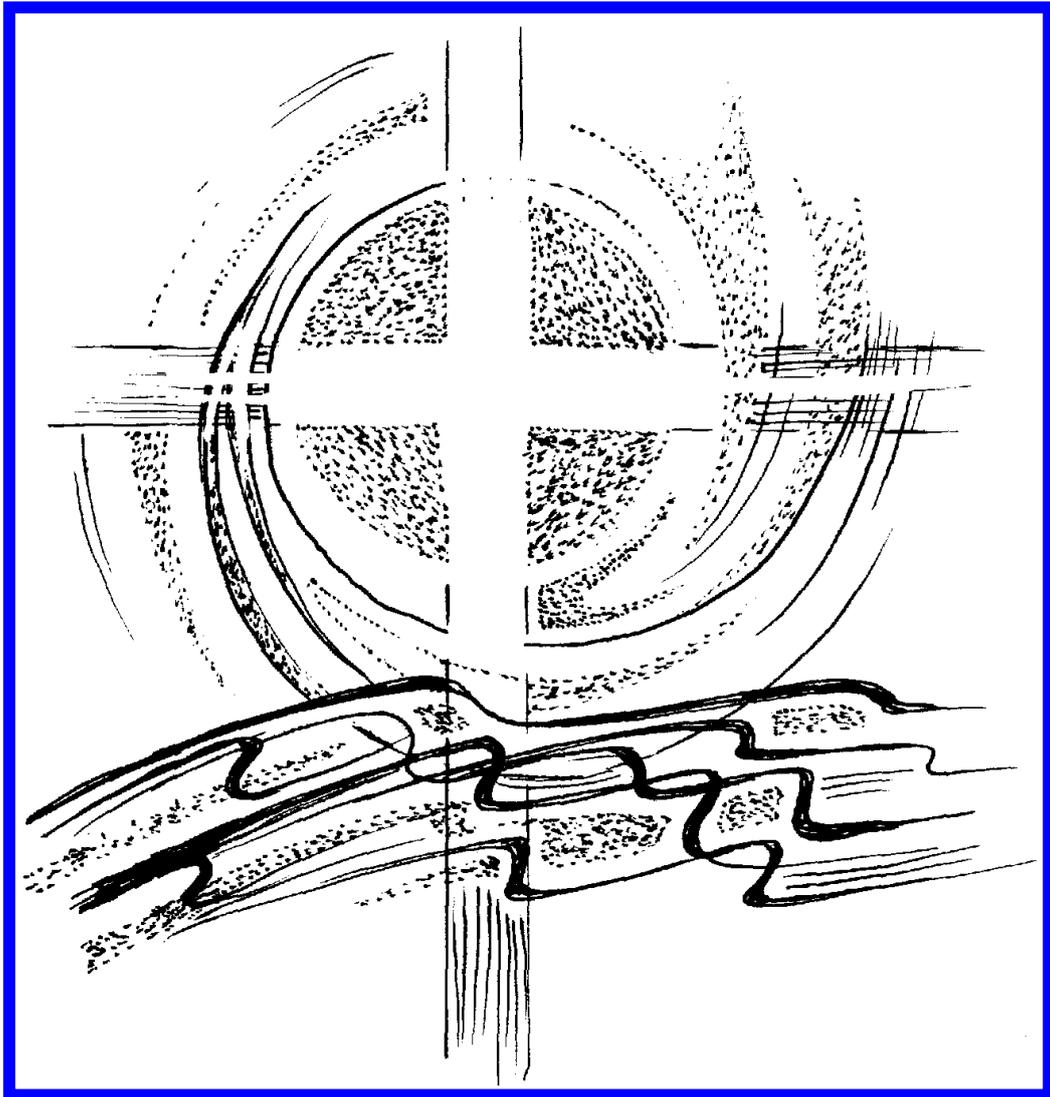


# **WINDOW ON WESLEY'S**



**OCTOBER 2016**



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## ***Dear Friend***

October is the month when we celebrate our Harvest Festival. There are two factors which, this year, take this routine event out of its ordinary orbit and invest it with qualities well beyond the usual. Much of what happens on October 9<sup>th</sup> will be familiar. We'll bring our gifts forward and thank God for them. We'll remind ourselves of our duty to look after the created environment. We'll worry about global warming. We'll sing some rousing hymns. So far, so good. So what about those two factors which I mentioned earlier?

One is good and one is bad.

Let's take the bad one. Our London District Methodist Synod heard the news of the suffering amongst immigrants at the Calais "Jungle" refugee camp. Volunteers have been feeding and caring for the thousands of people gathered there in almost inhumane conditions. And their supplies were running out. The Synod urged Methodists across London to rally to the cause. And we at Wesley's Chapel did precisely that. Large amounts of produce (in line with items specified in the appeal) were amassed and generous sums of money handed over to us. The exact amounts will be reported elsewhere. It was an extraordinary outpouring of affection and Christian love. This, of course, is a very positive thing and I only mention it in negative terms because of the open sore which it will seek to assuage. We live in miserable times when millions of people are pushed out of their homes by war or famine, drought or earthquake. And there seems no end to it. Our offering for all its generosity, will be a mere tip on a hugely submerged iceberg. Even so, we must thank everyone who contributed in this magnificent way.

And the good factor? Babies – that's what! If apples and pears, carrots and spuds, are the fruits of the field, then babies are the fruit of human love. And we have a steady supply of them. I've often quipped that "Wesley's Chapel is the most fertile church in the Methodist Connexion." And that was no joke. Consider the

case. At our Harvest Festival Service, we'll be baptising Magnus, the son of Rachel and Alex Barber-Mack. That's the one we'll see on that day. Hovering behind Magnus, lie Isabella Grace , daughter of Sarah and Dominic Laws; Benjamin Pratt, second son of our beloved Elvis and Liza; Rowan Emily daughter of Lydia and Craig; Alexa daughter to Sarah and Nana; Dexter son of Rob and Michelle; last but not least, Haim son of Kido & Seunghee. What a steady succession of new Methodists. It's a veritable production line. Our love and good wishes to all concerned. Their joy is a reflection of our pride in them. May they all flourish.

I've become aware of the number of people amongst our church family who are having a rough time just now. Some are suffering at home, others in hospital, yet others waiting to go into hospital. Some are worrying about how to look after themselves. Others are contemplating going into care. Lovers and relatives and friends are doing their best to rally round. We should all try to help as much as we can and to keep them constantly in our prayers. This little note comes with my fondest love and the wish that God's blessing will surround you in your time of difficulty.

The Lord bless you and bless you kindly.

***Leslie Griffiths – October 2016***

### **Christmas is coming!**

And this year, Junior Church need your help to make it extra special.

After many faithful years of service, the costumes we use for our Nativity are in need of replacing. I'm looking for volunteers to help me produce a new set. If you are handy with a needle & thread, and willing to give some time I would love to hear from you. I'm planning to hold a sewing day one Saturday at the Chapel, or materials can be provided for you to sew at home. With nearly 40 costumes required some years, we really need to get started ASAP!

If sewing isn't your thing, we could still use your help.

Everyone can pray for our preparations – that they will go smoothly, and that through rehearsals and performance the children will come to know a little more of the importance of this holiday. We are also (as ever) looking for more leaders.

Parents, guardians and carers please make an extra effort to be here and on time for our rehearsal weeks: 20<sup>th</sup> November, 27<sup>th</sup> November, and 11<sup>th</sup> December. It makes a great difference. This year our All Age Worship for Christmas, which includes the Nativity, will take place on the 18<sup>th</sup> December; we will ask for children to arrive a little early, and for them to stop for a short while afterwards to share in fellowship together. I shall send a letter home towards the end of the month with further details – please look out for this. I'm still also waiting for a lot of consent forms without these we can't take any photos in Sunday School or provide food for our Christmas Fellowship.

If you can help with any of the above please speak to me on Sunday, drop me an email on [missioner@wesleyschapel.org.uk](mailto:missioner@wesleyschapel.org.uk) or phone me via the church office.

Prayers and best wishes,

***Judith Bell – Leysian Missioner***

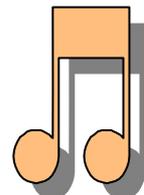
### **Lunchtime Recitals in October**

**4<sup>th</sup> Maite Agurrie – Piano**

**11<sup>th</sup> Jac Thomas – Guitar**

**18<sup>th</sup> “Togetherness” Felicity Vincent & Nigel Blomiley**

**25<sup>th</sup> Romana Szczepanaik - Violin**



## Church News

We have had a number of baptisms since the last edition of Window on Wesley's at the beginning of August.

On the 14<sup>th</sup> August we baptised *Holly Haven Ewurabena Agyeman*, daughter to *Fauziya* and *Kevin*. Her sisters, *Krystal* and *Kirsty* accompanied Holly on her circuit of the Chapel to greet the congregation.



On the 28<sup>th</sup> August we baptised *Ritchie and Bobbi Bewley*, children of *Jodie* and *Michael Bewley*. We have had contact with the family through a recent marriage and it was significant that they wished to baptise the children, too. We wish all the family well.

Congratulations are in order for *Gina Cocks* on the birth of her grand-daughter, a daughter for *Elizabeth* and *Rob*. May she be a real blessing to her family.

September has been the month for births – *Lydia Hutchings* and *Craig McDowell* had a daughter *Rowan Emily* born at home on the 15<sup>th</sup> September and weighing in at 7lbs and 12ozs, *Liza* and *Elvis* had their second son, *Benjamin*, a brother for *Jethro* on the 24<sup>th</sup> September and *Kido and Seunghee* had their first child, a son *Haim*, on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September. September has always been a busy birthday month at Wesley's Chapel – now it is going to be even busier! Best wishes to all these parents and may their new arrivals be a blessing not only to them but to us all.

Congratulations to three wedding couples who married in August – firstly to *Kofi Kome Bedu-Addo* who married *Akua Otuteye* in *Croydon* on the 12<sup>th</sup> August where *Jennifer* gave the sermon, secondly to *Jason Arthur* and *Hannah Knight*, who married on the 18<sup>th</sup> and thirdly to *Nana Akwa* and *Mustafa Akindele* who were married at the Chapel on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

We congratulate *Rachel Sisman* on the successful completion of her Master's degree and wish her well as she plans her future career.

We welcome two new residents to our bedsits – *Ben Slater*, a young man who is working at the Bank of England and *Lindsey Graber*, a young lady from America who is studying for a Master's Degree in Systematic Theology at King's College, London. *Patzy Tyzack* is still confined to home awaiting an operation of her knee. She hopes that it will be done in November and that she may see us around Christmastime – let us pray that it is the case and she can return to our fellowship.

### **New from Scripture Union – Guardians of Ancora**

Guardians of Ancora is a digital game – an amazing virtual world that children can enter and a place where Bible Stories come alive.

This game has been developed and launched internationally by Scripture Union and its aim is to make the good news of Jesus known to children and young people encouraging them to engage with the Bible stories and develop their faith.

The game is downloadable as an 'app' and has a language level intended for children in the age range 8-11 although people of any age can play.

There is a website for support at [www.guardiansofancora.com](http://www.guardiansofancora.com) where parents can get their questions answered.



**1<sup>st</sup> City of London Scout Group  
Summer Camp Jersey  
31 July – 7 August 2016**

“A week of camp life is worth six months of theoretical teaching in the meeting room” – Lord Robert Baden-Powell,  
*Scouting for Boys.*

Wesley's Chapel hosted a Cake Sale in June which helped towards the fund-raising for Lucy Chamber's Scout Troop to go to their Summer Camp in Jersey. Here is an edited account of her report on the Camp.

“The Summer Camp was a resounding success and all the scouts had a fantastic week, opportunities to build on all the skills they had been learning over the last year, and unforgettable new experiences.



On the first day the Troop travelled from London to Poole in Dorset and visited Brownsea Island. The birthplace of Scouting and the site of the first experimental camp held by Baden-Powell, the founder of the Scouting Movement and an old boy of Charterhouse like John Wesley. The visit to Brownsea Island also gave the scouts the opportunity to renew their promise beside the Foundation Stone to Scouting. It was also an opportunity for one of the youngest scouts to be invested into the Troop.



During their time in Jersey the scouts did a variety of things – setting up the campsite including building a gate and a flagpole out of wood and cooking all their own meals.

They had the chance to be introduced to some of the history of Jersey including seeing how the islanders lived and survived under Nazi occupation in the Second World War.

The camp was an amazing success and all the scouts came away with lots of badges including ones for improving their skills in kayaking and water navigation.

*Lucy Chambers says, "Your generosity had made a huge difference to the success of our camp. Thank you on behalf of the Scouts at 1st City of London."*

## **'Envelope Systems' wins Awards**

Wesley's Chapel purchases both its white offering envelopes and the yellow Gift Aid envelopes from a company called "Envelope Systems." They were the pioneers in offering Gift Aid envelopes when the scheme started in 2000.



They have just won an award – what, you might say, 'are there even awards for offering envelopes?' Well yes there are but they have won more

than that.

Let the owners of the company, Penny and Tony Miles, tell the story for themselves

'We like our customers to buy our envelopes because they want to, not because of misfortune at the hands of HMRC. We were delighted to have received a double award 'for companies that have a heart.'

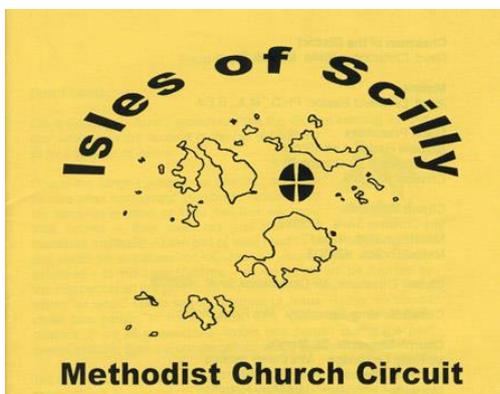


Envelope Systems has not only won the customer service category in the International Corporate Social Responsibility Awards, but has also scooped the 'Heart of Gold' award for over all 2016 winner. The award follows our 'David and Goliath' campaign last year against Her Majesty's revenue and Customs, when they introduced new wording for Gift Aid envelopes and gave very little notice.

The campaign which allowed people to use up their envelopes with the old wording saved millions of envelopes going into landfill and hundreds of thousands of pounds for churches faced with having to replace their stocks.

On receiving the award Penny Miles said, “it is a great honour to be recognised like this especially as we are only a small team of nine staff.”

Methodism seems to thrive on islands –certainly the islands around the coast of Britain. The Scilly Isles are off the South West



tip of Cornwall and are the southernmost location in the British Isles. As you can see from the Methodist Circuit map there are lots of islands – three main islands, 5 inhabited islands in total and 140 tiny islands. The main island is St. Mary’s with a population of about 1,700, and then there is Tresco with 180 people

and St. Martin’s with 142 (at the last count!). There are no traffic jams, no supermarkets and only St. Mary’s has a real road network.

John Wesley paid the Scilly Isles a visit early in his travels in 1743 and took the Governor what was most precious then as now – a recent newspaper!

Both the Wesleyans and later the Bible Christians were active on St Mary’s and the present church building is the Bible Christian Church built on 1900.

This beautiful picture in St Mary’s Church shows Wesley and his travelling companion, John Nelson against the coast of the island. The Church itself is beautifully kept.



On St Martin's island – the present church is a Bible Christian

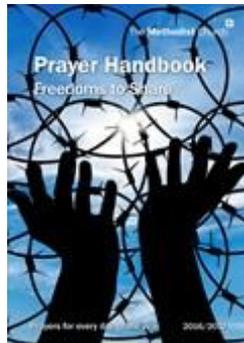


Chapel dating from 1836. This Chapel was built by the members as there was a great deal of poverty on the island.

This article was inspired by one of our Heritage Stewards, Walter Umpleby, who visited the Scilly Islands recently and to whom we owe these wonderful photos.

### **Prayer Handbook for 2016/17 – ‘Freedoms to share’**

The new Prayer Handbook is out with prayers from and for Methodists from around the world arranged in a monthly cycle. Copies are £3-50 and if you would like one please speak to Jennifer Potter.



### **Harvest Festival 9<sup>th</sup> October 2016**

This year our Harvest Festival will be on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October and on that day we shall also have the Christian Bandsmen with us and a baptism – so get ready for a Red Letter Day  
As usual we shall take your Harvest gifts to the Whitechapel Mission for their work with homeless people. The Whitechapel Mission put up on their website a list of those things that they need most. This is the current list.

Food items: Desperate category: Baked beans, sugar, coffee, breakfast cereal, biscuits, tinned plum tomatoes and instant hot chocolate.

Needed category: Porridge, ream, tinned fish, fruit and meat.

Toiletries: Desperate category: Toothbrushes, razors, shampoo, deodorant and soap.

If you would like to check their website for yourself it is:

[www.whitechapel.org.uk](http://www.whitechapel.org.uk)



Last year at Harvest Festival time Whitechapel Mission was raising funds to refurbish their shower block which had seen better times. This work has now been completed and the facilities are wonderful.

A lot of hard work goes on at the Mission with staff going in early in the morning to prepare the breakfasts for their guests.

Teams of people from local businesses also go in to sort the food and clothing that people donate. The Whitechapel Mission is a 24/7 operation. But they also have fun and here is a photo to prove it – showing celebrations for the “Queen” – the Pearly Queen of Tower Hamlets!

If you would like to know more about the Whitechapel Mission or would like to volunteer there please speak to Jennifer or go to the website referred to earlier in this article.



## September 4<sup>th</sup> 2016 A Happy New Church Year & the International Lunch

As most of you know the Methodist Church Year begins in September and here at Wesley's Chapel we have the privilege of hosting the President and the Vice President on the first Sunday of the New Year. This year we welcomed Revd Roger Walton, the President, and his wife and Rachel Lampard, the Vice President and all her family, including her parents, Revd John Lampard who have come to join us at the Chapel.



It was appropriate that we also commissioned our new Board of Trustees at this service.

Then, as the rain held off, we were able to go into the back garden for our International Lunch.



The 5000 could have been fed from the delicious items that were so abundant on the tables at the back. It was also a great opportunity for catching up with old friends and for making new ones.

The President really enjoyed himself eating and chatting and had to be persuaded to leave and go for a bit of a rest before heading off for the evening service at Westminster Central Hall.

Thank you to everyone who made the day so enjoyable.

## Provisions for the Refugees in Calais

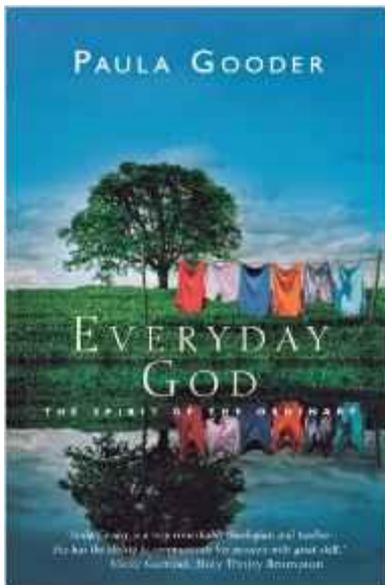
A big “thank you” to everyone who contributed to the London District Appeal for food for the people eking out an existence in the camp in Calais.



We gathered a large amount of food and over £300 in money which will be used for fuel for the vehicle taking the goods and to buy fresh produce in Calais itself.

## Autumn Ecumenical Discussion Group

Our times of study with our ecumenical friends in the



neighbourhood – Anglican, Catholic, Lutheran and Welsh Presbyterian – have proved so enjoyable that we now have them twice a year – for a month in Lent and for a month in the Autumn.

This October we are going to study a book by Paula Gooder. She has been a writer and lecturer in Biblical Studies and has a special interest in the writings of St. Paul. She writes in a fresh and accessible way and is a great communicator both in the spoken word and in writing. She is currently the Theologian in Residence at the Bible

Society. We will be studying her most recent book, entitled “Everyday God – The Spirit of the Ordinary” (available from Jennifer Potter for £6).

The sessions are held on Saturday mornings – 10.00 for refreshments for a 10.30 am start and ending around 11.10am

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> October  | Jewin Welsh Church – ‘Ordinary People’     |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> October  | St Joseph’s, Bunhill Row – ‘Unsung Heroes’ |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> October | Wesley’s Chapel – ‘Ordinary God’           |

22<sup>nd</sup> October St Giles' Cripplegate – 'An Ordinary Kingdom'  
29<sup>th</sup> October Wesley's Chapel – 'Living Extraordinary Ordinary lives'

Please come and join us – each week is free-standing so you do not have to commit to the whole month.

***Jennifer Potter***

### **The Leys School Family Fun Day**

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September saw a large group of people from Wesley's Chapel board a coach bound for Cambridge – yes, it was the Ley' School Annual Family Day.



Sadly the weather was a bit damp but it did not dampen the spirits of those on the outing. There was food to eat, games to play and activities for the children. There was a trip into Cambridge for those for whom no outing is complete without a bit of retail therapy.

Everyone had a good day – let us hope that next year it is a fine day.



**WALDENSIAN DAY 2016**  
**Saturday 22 October 10.30- 2pm**  
**Wesley Chapel, 49 City Road, London EC1Y 1AU**

The Patron of the Waldensian Society, Lord Leslie Griffiths, and “our man in the Vatican”, Rev Dr Tim Macquiban (minister of the English speaking Methodist church in Rome and Director of MEOR, the Methodist Ecumenical Office in Rome) will discuss with David Willey OBE, the Rome and Vatican Correspondent for the BBC since 1972, his latest book: *The Promise of Francis: the Man, the Pope and the challenge of change.*

**Programme**

10.30 tea and coffee

11.00-12.30: talks, questions and answers, book signing...

12.30-1.00 lunch: bring your own, hot drinks provided

1.00-2.00 News from the Italian Protestant Churches after the historical visit of pope Francis to the Waldensian in Church of Turin last year and the return visit by the Moderator of the Waldensian church, the Director of MEOR and other representatives. News from the Waldensian Methodist Synod 2016 from our delegate and Chairman Dr Ian Nimmo-Smith.

There will also be a Bookstall, CALENDARS, delicious *Gianduiotti* chocolates fresh from the Waldensian Valleys and Biscotti di Debora fresh from Cambridge..

SPREAD THE NEWS and above all, DO COME!

**Serendipity 23: Three Stalwarts of Early Methodism**

**Part I: Two and Two Make Five or “Hair” today and?**

The Museum of Methodism, in the former crypt of Wesley’s Chapel, holds many unusual and often amazing exhibits. Some are colourful, like the many paintings, some are large, like, the pulpit from the Foundery, the platform once occupied by Donald

Soper, or the section of a tree from Winchelsea, while others are very small, like the contents of many of the show cases. The colourful exhibits are interesting because of the subjects they portray, whilst the larger more showy items are worth seeing because of their origins. Nevertheless, it is often the comparatively small items, the ones most frequently ignored or overlooked, that tend to be the most worthwhile things to be sought out; not least, because of the people and stories with which they are associated.

Heritage Stewards often have the privilege of spending periods of time in the Museum of Methodism with the freedom to peer into each of the display cases so as to be able to carefully peruse each of the items they contain. As suggested earlier, some of the cases hold big showy objects which readily draw the eye, while other cases have contents that appear at first sight to be unattractive, and perhaps liable to be passed over. Experience tends to prove that this could be a mistake, as it often results in missing out on interesting stories. Indeed, recently it was discovered that three items which had been given only a cursory glance in the past actually had significances which greatly belied their appearances.

The items concerned in this instance, are some of those held in the particular show case, that stands close by the large painting depicting the deathbed of John Wesley, and which the Museum "Short Guide" suggests displays objects in connection with John Wesley which convey an element of "hagiography" or "sanctification".

On display on the top shelf of this particular case, are amongst other things: A small strand of hair, attached to a piece of paper on which is written "This is a small part of the hair of the late, and dear Man of God, The Rev John Wesley, found in the late Miss Tooth's keeping, in an envelope inscribed: Dear Mr Wesley's Hair."

A Methodist Society Class Ticket for June 1812, to which is attached, separately, strands of the hair of Mrs Fletcher and Mary Tooth.

A gold mourning ring in which are encased interwoven hairs from the heads of John Wesley and John Fletcher.

After taking a proper look at these objects, for the first time, it was called to mind that three of the people, mentioned on the exhibits, featured, (two by name and one inferred), in an article in an edition of The Times Newspaper published on Saturday April 12<sup>th</sup> 2008. This was a review of the book, "A FAIR GATE TO OBLIVION: A Celebration of the English Epitaph by J.P.G. Taylor".

The reviewer of this collection of epitaphs, explained that he had always been interested in the inscriptions carved on gravestones, and that his favourites were those that told a story, particularly because in most instances the events behind such records could never be fully known, since the few words used left the taste of a part obscured mystery. He instanced, for example, what he considered to be the greatest untold story as being that of an epitaph inscribed on a grave in the churchyard of the parish church at Madeley, Shropshire, which simply reads:

*"Mary Tooth, died November 15<sup>th</sup> 1843, aged 65 years, the Beloved companion, Faithful Friend and zealous Successor of the late Mrs Fletcher of blessed memory".*

Drawing his inferences from these few words the reviewer then went on to ask; whether Mary Tooth succeeded her friend in the affections of the latter's husband? Exactly how zealous was she and what unspoken warfare existed between these two bosom friends? Finally he made the suggestion that Mary Tooth's grave might have been silent but her epitaph spoke volumes.

The reviewer was of course quite correct, this particular epitaph does speak volumes but not quite the story he had in mind, since

he obviously knew nothing about Mary Tooth, Mrs Fletcher or the latter's husband. Indeed this particular epitaph paints an entirely different picture to that surmised by the reviewer as this latest exercise in Serendipity aims to show. The narrative being particularly interesting since all of the people featured in the epitaph are known to Methodism and all have some connection, one way or another, with Wesley's Chapel, including of course to particular items now held in the Museum of Methodism.

First let us begin with Mrs Fletcher's husband, who while he is not actually mentioned by name in the epitaph, was considered by the author of The Times review, as being the subject of the rivalry between Mary Tooth and Mrs Fletcher. He was the Rev John Fletcher, the Church of England vicar of St Michaels, the parish church of the small town of Madeley, in Coalbrookdale, close to the World Heritage site of Ironbridge, in Shropshire, from 1760 to his untimely death from Typhoid fever in 1785. He was an amazing man with something of an unusual life journey and career path. Originally called Jean Guillaume de la Flèche, he was born in 1729 at Nyon, near Lake Geneva, in Switzerland. There he studied theology at Geneva University, but did not at that time seek ordination as a Christian minister and instead left to engage upon a military career, but after finding this unfulfilling, he left the army and came to England in 1750 where he took up the role of tutor to the sons of a Shropshire MP, and became involved in Methodism. After experiencing an evangelical conversion, in the winter of 1753-54, he was ordained as a presbyter of the Church of England and in 1760 was inducted as the vicar of St Michaels. It is assumed that he then anglicised his original name in order to help him to be more acceptable to the parishioners to whom he was called to shepherd and to preach.

To Methodism, John Fletcher is known as one of John Wesley's most valued clerical supporters, as well as the hoped for successor as the leader of the Methodist Societies, which was dashed by Fletcher's early death. The close affinity of Fletcher with John Wesley is symbolised by the intertwining of each man's hair in the mourning ring exhibited in the Museum of Methodism.

John Fletcher is associated with Wesley's Chapel by two memorials within the Chapel itself, and in John Wesley's House by his portrait and his study chair which are exhibited there. The memorials in the Chapel are, firstly his epitaph engraved upon the stone slab placed in the lower half of the North side of the apse at the front of the Chapel, and secondly, the baptismal font which was presented to Wesley's by Fletcher's former church, St Michaels, in 1891. The epitaph is easy to seek out and to read, but not so the details of the origin of the font and its' presentation to Wesley's. True, the information is actually legible on the plinth supporting the font, but it can only be read with difficulty, as experience has shown, by being prepared to lie practically prostrate on the floor, in order to find the details inscribed on the metal plates attached to the very bottom edges of each of the four faces of the plinth base.

In John Wesley's House, John Fletcher's portrait painting is in a prominent position, as it hangs over the fireplace in the first floor back room where John Wesley once slept, while, a similar portrait of John Fletcher can be glimpsed depicted on the wall in the massive painting of John Wesley's death bed scene that is on show in the Museum of Methodism. Also in the house, but this time, in the second floor room once used by the preachers, is where John Fletcher's study chair awaits discovery by anyone prepared to climb the stairs.

Now having introduced John Wesley's great friend and supporter, the Rev John Fletcher, the Vicar of Madeley, we can leave it until a later edition of Window on Wesley's to provide the information that confirms the mistaken nature of the conclusions drawn by the writer of the Times book review.

***Keith Dutton - Heritage Steward***



The **Methodist Church** 

# Creating Safer Space: Foundation Module

Safeguarding training session for pastoral leaders, activities trustees, circuit stewards, presbyters, deacons, those working with children & young people in the name of the church, local preachers and worship leaders.



**Please book in advance.**

**Please note, this training is not appropriate for children to attend.**

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2016**

**2:15pm for 2:30-5:00pm**

(Wesley's Chapel General Church Meeting is at 12:30pm)

**Wesley's Chapel & Leysian Mission  
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**Any other persons who are interested in the subject are welcome to attend.**

Those who attended this training course in 2013 or 2015 do not need to attend at this time.

**To book a place, please contact:**

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## **SUNDAY SERVICES IN OCTOBER**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> 11.00am Morning Service & Holy Communion  
Preacher: Jennifer Potter  
Officiants: Leslie Griffiths
- 9<sup>th</sup> Harvest Festival  
9.45am Holy Communion – Leslie Griffiths  
11.00am Morning Service – Judith Bell & the staff team
- 16<sup>th</sup> 9.45am Holy Communion – Jennifer Potter  
11.00am Morning Worship – Jennifer Potter
- 23<sup>rd</sup> 9.45am Holy Communion – Leslie Griffiths  
11.00am Morning Service – Leslie Griffiths
- 30<sup>th</sup> 9.45am Holy Communion – Jennifer Potter  
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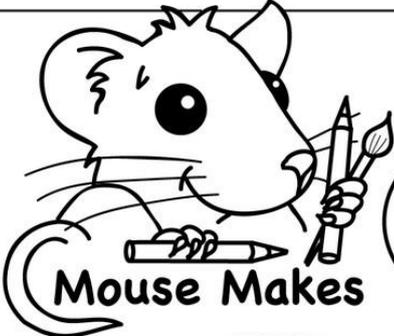
## **Thursday lunchtimes in OCTOBER at Wesley's Chapel (12.45-1.15pm)**

### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH: VOICES FOR OUR DAY**

- 6<sup>th</sup> James Cone: A theology for black people
- 13<sup>th</sup> Maya Angelou: A theology for the caged bird
- 20<sup>th</sup> Valentin Dedji: A theology for the peoples of Africa
- 27<sup>th</sup> Anthony Reddie: A theology for post-colonial times



# Children's Page



**Mouse Makes**

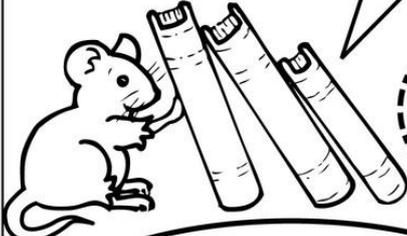
**WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?**

**GOD'S WORD IS...**  
 Look up the bible verse and fill in the blanks.  
 Your \_\_\_\_\_ is a \_\_\_\_\_ for my  
 \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_ for my \_\_\_\_\_

*Psalm 119:105*

**BLESSING COMES FROM...**  
 Cross out every second letter to read the bible verse.  
 "BALEEYSYSPESDV ADREEM TKHCOUSMED  
 WAHROS HPEKAMRS TWHAEU WHOGREDN  
 ATNODL OABLEPYW IFTO"  
*Lpurkdes 11:28*





**WISDOM COMES FROM...**  
 Change the backwards words to read the right way.  
 "For the Lord gives wisdom;  
 from His mouth come knowledge  
 and understanding."  
*Proverbs 2:6*

Is not my \_\_\_\_\_ like  
 \_\_\_\_\_ declares the Lord, and  
 like a \_\_\_\_\_ that breaks a  
 \_\_\_\_\_ to pieces?  
*Jeremiah 23:29*





**UNDERSTANDING COMES FROM...**  
 Change each letter to the letter **after** it in the alphabet.  
 SGD SDZBGHMF NE XNTQ VNQC  
 FHUDR KHFGS RN DUDM SGD  
 RHLOKD TMCDQRSZMC  
*Orzkl 119:130*

## Weekly programme of events

Sunday	9.45am	Holy Communion (except 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in month)
	11.00am	Morning Service
	12.30pm	Methodist Women in Britain (MWIB) (First Sunday in the month)
	12.30pm	Wesley's Chapel Ghana Fellowship (Last Sunday in the month)
	7.00pm	Taizé Evening Service (Last Sunday in the month)
Monday	7.00am	Prayer Meeting
	2.00pm	Sisterhood Fellowship
Tuesday	1.05 pm	Lunchtime Recital
	7.45pm	Boys' Brigade (Company & Seniors: over 11's)
Wednesday	10.00am	Stay and Play (pre-school)
	12.45pm	Service of Holy Communion
Thursday	12.45 pm	Lunchtime Service
Friday	7.00pm	Boys' Brigade & Girls' Association (Juniors: 8-11 years)

**If you would like to submit an article, poem, prayer or item of interest for this magazine please email it to:  
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or leave it at the Church Office marked FAO Tracey Smith**