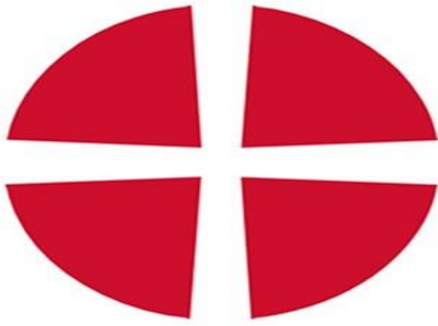




BURNLEY & PENDLE CIRCUIT

THE METHODIST CHURCH

God's grace in love and action

Newsletter Tuesday 16th September – Monday 29th September 2025

Prayer points -

- For our nation, that we may enjoy and celebrate our diversity; that we maybe saved from turning those with whom we disagree into enemies and from using language that makes them less than human.
- For those who flee war and injustice, who leave loved ones behind and become refugees. For those who show them kindness and hospitality and welcome them into their lives.
- We thank God for the work of the World Mission Fund of the Methodist Church. For example, in supporting the Church in Zimbabwe in digging boreholes. These have transformed a drought-prone region into one where there is now a flow of water. They provide easy access to clean drinking water for people and livestock. They have made it more possible to grow food and to restart the rearing of poultry and small livestock.
- For the visit of Daoud Nasser from the Tent of Nations to Burnley and Pendle. For his family and the Palestinian people who live with the hostility and violence of illegal Israeli settlers. For the work of the Tent of Nations as they continue to refuse to be enemies.
- For our Circuit as we prepare to enter the stationing process to seek a new superintendent. And for Rick as he goes into the same process to look for a new appointment.

Church Events in the next 2 weeks

Quiz Night and potato pie supper on Friday 19th September at 6-8pm at Briercliffe Road. Poster below.

Lego Church on Friday 26th September at 3.15-4.30pm at Wheatley Lane.

Macmillan coffee morning on Saturday 27th September 10am-12noon at Higherford. Poster below.

Future Circuit Events

Circuit Prayer Breakfast on Saturday 4th October at 8am at Brierfield led by Rev Tony Graff.

An Autumn Celebration - Hapton Heritage Event on Saturday 11th October. The 5 mile walk starts at 1pm and the 2 mile walk starts at 1.15pm both from Hapton church. An informative exhibition and light refreshments available from 2pm in the church. Good parking. Poster below.

Circuit Youth Gathering Sunday 12th October 6.30pm at Fence Village Hall.

Circuit Mission Action Team (MAT) meeting on 17th October at 10am at 329 Wheatley Lane Road. This will be another joint meeting with the Circuit Bible and Prayer Focus group.

Future Church Events

Coffee Hub Extra - Card-making Workshop on Thursday 2nd October 2-4pm at Wheatley Lane. Coffee and cake will be served. We hope you can join us and bring your friends too for a fun afternoon. Materials provided though small

Link for Christvin's welcome service in the Isle of Man

<https://youtu.be/eziLFAizIE4?si=Anz2z3DMt1q8zmew>

Circuit Song or Hymn Competition

Less than two months to write a song or hymn as your entry for the Circuit Heritage Song or Hymn Competition based on 'God's grace in love and action'. The closing date for entries is 12 noon on Friday 31st October. Entries to Claire circuitoffice@2101methodists.org or 07752278664.



Circuit Prayer Breakfast

We are looking for churches to host the following prayer breakfasts please: on the 1st November, 6th December and 3rd January 2026. If your church can host one of these prayer breakfasts or you would like to lead one please contact Kath. kathheyworth@hotmail.co.uk / 07861459918. Many thanks.

Date for your diary

The next Encounter event is on Saturday 31st January 2026 at 11am at Briercliffe Road. See poster in the next circuit newsletter for details.

The next newsletter will be on Tuesday 30th September. Please forward any contributions to me before 5pm on Monday 29th September 2025. Thank you.

Claire Slack, Circuit's Communication & Information Coordinator - 07752278664

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donations accepted for church funds. **All are welcome to this new monthly initiative.**

Community News

Matt, John & Derek on Thursday 18th September at 7pm at Sparrowhawk, Wheatley Lane. Poster below.

Daoud Naser from the Tent of Nations will be at Hapton Methodist Church on Monday 22nd Sept from 1.30 - 3pm. Please make every effort to attend, if you can, to show our solidarity to this Christian Palestinian Family in their struggle to keep their land from being taken by Illegal Settlers. Thank you, Bea. (Poster below).

'Renew' for women - Monday 13th October at 7.45pm (refreshments from 7.15pm) at St Mary's church in Rawtenstall. 'Reach out and touch' (poster below). Please contact Claire for further details.

**DO IT FAIR
FOR A FAIRER WORLD**



Did you know Fairtrade fortnight starts on the 22 September?

Recently we have witnessed deeply troubling developments across the UK with a rise in anti-immigration hostility and racist incidents. Fairtrade believe fairness is for everyone: we stand against racism; we stand in solidarity with all communities facing discrimination: we believe in a world that is fairer for everyone. Fairtrade stands for solidarity, fairness and justice. Britain is shaped by diverse communities, both locally and globally. Whether it's tea farmers in India, or banana farmers from Columbia, we rely on the vital contributions of those from around the world every day. Our daily cup of tea is no exception. As part of Fairtrade Fortnight, we're asking the UK government to Brew it Fair. Like all of us, the people growing and picking our tea deserve to be able to plan for their futures, and to protect themselves from the impacts of climate change. Take action by signing our petition and asking your MP to Brew It Fair

<https://www.fairtrade.net/uk-en/get-involved/campaign-with-us/current-campaigns/fairtrade-fortnight.html>

Posters



**MATT
JOHN
AND
DEREK**



Thursday Sept 18th at 7:00
at the Sparrowhawk
Wheatley Lane

Briercliffe Road Church
Melville Street
Burnley
BB10 3DY

QUIZ NIGHT

Quiz Night and potato pie supper
to be held at Briercliffe Road Church
on
Friday 19th September between 6 - 8pm
includes meat/meat and potato or cheese & onion
pie with unlimited brews.

There will ALSO be a Quiz sheet suitable for children.
£5 pounds per person tickets available or pay at the door
Come along and enjoy the fun





Shalom
Peace
Salam

PALESTINE-ISRAEL

WOMEN FOR PEACE BURNLEY INVITE YOU
TO COME AND HEAR DAOUD NASSAR
Tent of Nations Farm in the West Bank
MOTTO - WE REFUSE TO BE ENEMIES

SUNDAY 21ST SEPT 7^{PM} REFRESHMENTS
With Fr. Andrew Holmes at St Peter's Parish
Church, 42 Church St, Burnley, BB11 2DL

MONDAY 22ND SEPT 1.30 - 3^{PM} REFRESHMENTS
Hapton Methodist Church, Whitefield St, BB12 7JY

MONDAY 22ND SEPT 5.30^{PM} NIBBLES 6^{PM} START
Hodge House, Regent St, Nelson, BB9 8LT

Contact Bea Foster on 07875517043
bea_foster@hotmail.com

DONATIONS WELCOME

**It's time for
a Macmillan
Coffee
Morning
and you're invited**

Let's do whatever it takes
to support people living with cancer.

Place: Higherford Methodist Church
Date: Saturday 27th September
Time: 10.00 - 12.00pm
Contact: Judith Lee



**MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT**



Macmillan Cancer Support is a registered charity in England and Wales (261075), Scotland (SC039077) and the Isle of Man (6614). Also operating in Northern Ireland. MAC0033 (jacob@macmillan.org.uk)

**An Autumn
Celebration
Hapton
Heritage
Event**



5 mile walk
starting at 1pm

2 mile walk
starting at 1.15pm

Both walks will start
and finish at
Hapton Methodist Church.



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**Saturday
11th October
2025**

There will be an
exhibition of
Methodism in Hapton
and light refreshments
in the church
from 2pm

For more info contact
circuit office 07752278664
circuitoffice@2101methodists.org

Renew
for women

Monday 13th October 2025
St. Mary's Church, Rawtenstall
7:15 Refreshments for 7:45 Start

"Reach out and Touch"

Are you feeling lonely, fearful or in need of healing? Come along as we
reach out and touch Jesus in prayer, believing for the miracle we need.

Free event - No need to book - just turn up!
For more information email renew@rossendalecofe.church