

our calling

NEWS FROM OUR CIRCUIT MEETING HELD IN December 2011

AS THE METHODIST CHURCH IN THE COVENTRY & NUNEATON CIRCUIT WE WILL ENCOURAGE ALL GOD'S PEOPLE TO LOVE GOD WITH ALL THEIR HEART, MIND SOUL & STRENGTH, TO REFLECT GOD'S LOVE IN WORDS AND ACTIONS AS METHODISTS IN THIS CIRCUIT WE WILL LIVE OUT OUR CALLING BY; SUPPORTING VARIOUS & QUALITY WORSHIP HELPING TO DEEPEN DISCIPLESHIP OFFERING CARE AND SUPPORT, RESPONDING TO THE NEEDS OF OTHERS AT HOME & IN THE WORLD CHALLENGING INJUSTICE HELPING PEOPLE SHARE THEIR FAITH & MAKE MORE FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST

our circuit supports... Patricia Mukorombindo...

The Circuit Meeting were delighted to receive the recommendation from the preachers' and leaders of worship meeting that Patricia be accredited as a local preacher. The meeting unanimously supported this. Patricia then shared with the meeting her journey of faith and her long held belief of a call to the ordained

ministry within the Methodist Church. The Circuit Meeting overwhelmingly supported Patricia in affirming this call and prayerfully supported her going to District at the beginning of February for the candidates committee. Please hold Patricia in your prayers as she continues this journey.



TALKING WITH GOD

Now is the time to talk of God and to share our faith. Talking of God is a new faith sharing course and both Andrew Charlesworth and David Musgrave have run the course and are willing to share it at local church level. Please contact them if you are interested.

ministerial invitations committee

The Circuit Meeting appointed the following as members of the Circuit Invitation Committee: Viv Kershaw (Chair), Karen Matthews, Keith Drinkwater, Cliff Curtis, Pat Judd and Frank Hollis.

CHURCH CLOSURES

The Circuit Meeting received the news from the Church Councils of both Hartshill and Lime Tree Park Churches that they had decided to cease to meet for worship. This decision has been forwarded to the District for approval at the Spring Synod. Details of final services of celebration for the life of these Churches will be circulated in due course.

circuit vision update

At the Circuit Meeting the CLT (Exec) proposed that from 1st September 2013 the circuit comprises of five "Joint Local Church" groups. These to be centered at Atherstone, Balsall Common / Earlsdon, Bedworth, Coventry Central and Nuneaton. Each group is to be comprised of a Central Church and Satellite Churches and will be served by one minister. This will meet the reduction in resources that the Circuit faces over the next few years whilst continuing to support the Churches in their work for God.

After much discussion and sharing of views the proposal was carried by a large majority and the CLT (Exec) will work over the next few months to put the details together reporting progress back to each Circuit Meeting. Please do ask your Circuit Meeting representatives for more detailed information.

Andrew de Ville

Our Calling



Remembering in our prayers...

Patricia Mukorombindo, Irene Tafirenyika,

Members of Hartshill and Lime Tree Park Churches.

Circuit invitation committee—Viv Kershaw, Karen Matthews, Keith Drinkwater, Cliff Curtis, Pat Judd and Frank Hollis.

The CLT team, (exec) Andrew de Ville, Ian Worsfold, Ruth Wilson, Dorothy Holmes and Liz Crouch.

Next Circuit Meeting—20th March 2012.

circuit NEWS & APPOINTMENTS

AMANDA'S BABY... In December we were delighted to hear of the safe arrival of Amanda and Guy Bicknell's baby, a son, Teddy James, who weighed in at 7lb 4oz on Monday 12th.

Please pray for Amanda, Guy and Teddy as they start their new family together.

IRENE TAFIRENYIKA... We were delighted to hear that Irene has been appointed as a Deacon to Bradford and will start in September 2012. The meeting wished her every blessing.

CLIVE BENNETT... The Circuit Meeting heard that Clive has decided to step down as a Circuit Enabler with immediate effect. The meeting expressed its thanks for his work as a Circuit steward and enabler over a number of years.

circuit Finance

The audited Circuit Accounts for 2009/10 and 2010/11 were received by the meeting. If you would like to look at them your copy can either be obtained from the Circuit website <http://www.methodists5-10.org.uk/> or from the Circuit office. The meeting also accepted a reduced district assessment for 2012/13

circuit Prayers

The next Circuit Prayers are to be held on Thursday 15th March at 7.30pm. Venue to be confirmed.

DATES FOR your Diary...

circuit CELEBRATION - On Sunday 4th March at 10:30am the Circuit join with Coventry Central Hall to celebrate their 80th anniversary where the preacher will be Rev'd Martyn Atkins, General Secretary of the Methodist Church.

circuit MISSION EVENT - Over the weekend of 27th—29th April 2012 the circuit are hosting a world church weekend led by the Rev'd Stephen Poxon, District Chair and former President of Conference.

circuit MISSION STATEMENT

As the Methodist Church in the Coventry & Nuneaton Circuit we will encourage all God's people to:

- Love God with all their heart, mind, soul, strength
- Reflect God's love in words and actions

As Methodists in this Circuit we will live out Our Calling by:

- Supporting varied and quality worship
- Helping to deepen discipleship
- Offering care and support
- Responding to the needs of others, at home and in the world
- Challenging injustice
- Helping people share their faith
- Making more followers of Jesus Christ

