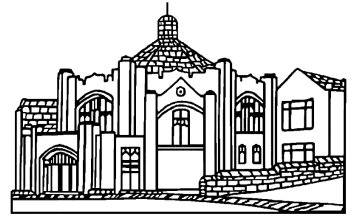




Wesley Hall

Part of Wesley Ebenezer Methodist Church

Minister: Rev. John Simms
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Sunday 8th May 2011

We Welcome You To Worship Today

We hope you find a warm welcome, particularly if you are with us for the first time. If we don't manage to speak to you personally and you would like more information, please pick up a welcome card and leaflet. All song words are projected onto the wall above the dais or can be found in the books provided. Separate song sheets are available at the back of church for any songs that are not in the hymn books.

Recordings of our Sunday morning services are usually available, please see Matt Irons.

Today's services	10.30 am: Preacher	Brian Jones
	Worship Leader	Louse Etherington
	6.30 pm: Preacher	Rev. John Simms (Prayer Service)

The steward on duty today is Dorothy White

<i>And next week</i>	<i>10.30 am: Preacher</i>	<i>John & Tina Owen</i>
<i>15th May</i>	<i>The steward on duty will be Andrew Gray</i>	

THIS WEEK...

❖ Network Easter Offering Service

The Women's Network Easter Offering Service will take place today at 3:00pm at Wesley Ebenezer at Walkley. The speaker is Judith Simms and the theme is "Seeds of Life – Harvest, Hope and Wholeness for all God's Children", written by Judith.

❖ Men's Breakfast

A group of us continue to meet for a chat over a bacon and egg sandwich from 8:30 to 9:30am downstairs in the hall. Please join us for our next meeting on *Saturday 14th May*. If you have any queries, speak to Gareth or Jim.

❖ Telling Tales of King James Bible

The Telling Tales of King James Bible exhibition is now on show in Sheffield Cathedral until *Thursday 30th June* (when it relocates to Westminster Abbey). There is also a study guide, which is a spin-off from the exhibition materials that is now available to download for free from www.sheffield.ac.uk/kjv/exhibition/learning/adults.

COMING SOON...

❖ Christian Aid Week

Christian Aid week this year will be from next *Sunday 15th to Sunday 22nd May*. This is where envelopes asking for donations are delivered in various roads in Crookes and collected. Please let me know if you are able to collect on a street. Thanks for the great team work last year.

On *Saturday 21st May* we will be counting the monies collected in the morning as usual and there will be refreshments and lunch served plus a cake stall. If you are able, please bake a cake or buns for the stall and give them to Margaret Gray or Pat Wright. Please speak to Andrea if you are able to help on the day by serving in the kitchen or counting the monies collected. Offers to make a home made soup for the lunch would also be appreciated.

Thanks, Andrea.

❖ **Annual Church Meeting**

Wesley Hall's Annual Church Meeting will be held on *Tuesday 17th May*. We will have a faith tea at 6:30pm followed by the meeting at 7:30 pm.

❖ **Cliff College Festival**

The full 2011 festival programme is now online at www.cliffcollege.ac.uk/festival. We very much hope to see you there either as a day visitor or for the whole weekend. We have Bible studies led by Rev Jonathan Edwards and Krish Kandiah (Evangelical Alliance/Biblefresh) preaching in the Cliff Hall Marquee. Be entertained and challenged by comedian Andy Kind as he presents his seminar 'Send in the clowns: What preaching can learn from comedy.' Andy also appears at our fringe event 'The Edge' on Saturday evening, alongside singer/songwriter John Froud.

❖ **'20 in 12' Challenge**

The recent congregational meeting agreed that as a Church we would seek to raise £20,000 over the next 12 months to put towards work needed on the building and to funding the post of a buildings manager. This challenge will be officially launched on *Sunday 22nd May*.

Our Gift Day will be to raise monies towards this challenge and will be on *Sunday 12th June* and more information about how to give and future events will be in the newsletter.

AND FINALLY...

❖ **Building Manager**

Matt has been appointed as the Building Manager for Wesley Hall. He will be working three days per week (Monday to Wednesday) from the Minister's Office and starts on *Monday 16th May*. The Building Manager is a role that has been created to look after bookings, finance, grant applications, maintenance and the general day to day running of the building.

In order to support this new role, we need to form a Management Committee who will be responsible for making decisions about the building and supervising the Building Manager. The Management Committee will replace the Property Team and meet on a monthly basis to discuss building issues and review what the Building Manager is doing. The meeting will include a short summary of the activities of the previous month and those planned for the next month. Committee members are expected to attend meetings and share ideas but any further work or implementation will be undertaken by the Building Manager. The Management Committee will be meeting during office hours on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday.

If you are interested in sitting on the Management Committee or would like more information about what is involved, please see Matt.

❖ **Church Flowers**

The flower list for 2011 at the back of church has some empty spaces. Please put your name next to a date if you wish to contribute to the church flowers that week. Thank you to everyone who has previously contributed. The flower team.

❖ **New Worship Stewards Wanted**

Our thanks go to Simone who has stepped down from being a Worship Steward. This leaves us with only 4 stewards and 1 or 2 more would make the job much easier. Please have a word with Dorothy, our Senior Steward, if you feel you can help in this important role within the church.

❖ **Subversives**

Secularists now paint picture
Guilty group studying scripture
On collision course, of course.

Roy Bellamy, May 2011

The editor for the month of May is Matt. Please place items for the newsletter in the pigeon hole, send an e-mail to newsletter@wesleyhall.org.uk or call Matt on [REDACTED] by Wednesday evening