

COMING SOON...

❖ Congregational Meeting

Everyone is invited to a Congregational Meeting after the morning service next *Sunday, 18th January*. We will be exploring exciting developments in both children's and youth work and thinking about how we can continue to resource and expand these areas. The meeting will be held in the Emmaus Room, soon after the service has finished (please feel free to bring your tea and coffee in with you), and will last no more than one hour so there will still be time to get home for lunch afterwards! It would be great to see as many people as possible at this important meeting.

❖ Church Council Meeting

For those of you on Church Council the date of the next meeting has been changed to Thursday 22nd January from the original date of 29th January. Please let Andrea Killingsworth know if this date is not convenient. The meeting will be at Walkley Ebenezer.

AND FINALLY...

❖ Church Offering for December

Wesley Ebenezer Methodist Church is a registered charity number 1150284. As a registered charity, we are publishing the amount given to Wesley Hall on Sunday morning, at events, by standing order or via any other method. The amount given in December was £1,756.38; thank you for your generosity.

❖ New Offering Envelopes

The offering envelopes for 2015 are at the back of church. Please collect your envelopes and if you have any questions, or would like to start to give using the envelope scheme, please see Matt.

❖ Roof Works Update

We have heard back from the National Churches Trust who have awarded us a grant of £20,000 for the roof works, which is really great news. The project has now gone out to tender so that we can get an accurate picture of how much each element will cost and how much we can complete with the money raised, which is still well over £100,000 once the Entrance Area works have been deducted.

However, a new grant scheme was announced in the Chancellor's Autumn Statement specifically for roof repairs on listed places of worship, to which we will also be applying. Please pray for this application, our application to the Yorkshire Historic Churches Trust, the tender process and the work itself, which should start sometime in the Spring.

❖ Youth Fellowship

You may remember that a few weeks ago we started a Youth Fellowship. The first couple of sessions went well, but we've had to take a break for the next few weeks due to my preaching commitments. I'm hoping that we will start to meet again in the New Year, so if you know of any young people in Years 7-11, let them know about it, and I'll let you know when we're starting again as soon as I can!

Thanks, Rev. John Simms.