



Wesley Hall

Crookes, Sheffield



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Wesley Hall is part of Wesley Ebenezer Methodist Church

Sunday 17th February 2013

We hope you find a warm welcome, particularly if you are with us for the first time. All song words are projected onto the wall at the front or can be found in the books provided. Large print hymn books are available at the back of church along with separate printed sheets for songs that are not in the books.

Today's services	10:30am	Preacher	Rev John Simms (Holy Communion)
		Worship Leader	Dorothy White
		The steward on duty is Andrew Gray	
	7.30-9.00pm	Space: sprouting forth	Drop in any time

<i>And next week</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Preacher</i>	<i>Ms Sheila Lomas</i>
<i>24th February</i>		<i>Worship Leader</i>	<i>Neil Harland</i>
		<i>The steward on duty will be Pat Singleton</i>	

❖ **Space: sprouting forth**

Our monthly reflective, drop-in, prayer-space continues this evening, **17th February**, between 7:30 – 9pm. Drop in for 10 minutes or as long as you want to ponder, to wonder or just for a warm drink and a chat on a cold evening. This month our spiritual journey starts from the third day of creation.

❖ **Thank you from Freda Rooker**

Freda would like to thank friends who gave a donation in memory of Denis. £251.15 was collected and sent to British Heart Foundation. Denis' clothes have been donated to St Luke's Hospice charity shops. God Bless, Freda

❖ **Coffee & Crafts**

A group of ladies meet in the Church Hall for a craft afternoon, fortnightly on Tuesdays from 2:00pm to 3:30pm. As part of the craft work they are looking to produce banners for the Sanctuary. All are welcome and there is a charge of £1.50 to cover refreshments and materials. The next meeting is this **Tuesday 19th February**.

❖ **Lent Bible studies – The parables**

John's ever popular Bible studies will be returning for lent: this year we will be looking in depth at the parables of Jesus. If there is a parable that perplexes, fascinates or worries you, or just one that you would like to study in more depth, let John know and he will attempt to include it. We will be meeting at 7:30pm on:

1. **Tuesday 19th February at Wesley Hall** – "Fig Tree" Parables (Matt 24:34; Luke 13:6-9)
2. Tuesday 26th February at Walkley Ebenezer - The Persistent Widow (Luke 18:1-8)
3. Tuesday 5th March at Wesley Hall – The Shrewd Manager (Luke 16:1-12)
4. Tuesday 12th March at Walkley Ebenezer – Ten Virgins & Talents (Matt 25:1-23)
5. Monday 18th March at Wesley Hall – Treasure, Pearl & Net (Matt 13:44-50)

❖ **Fun Day**

Fairtrade Festival": Children's Fun Day, Friday 22nd February, 10am-4pm for ages 5-11.

The publicity for this has now been distributed. We are hoping to get 50 children through the doors! If you know of anyone who might be interested please take a form for them. Also if anyone would like to help on the day, in any way, that would be brilliant: please get in touch with Liz at families@wesleyhall.org.uk or 07412124310. We will also need the following for the activities planned: plastic bottles, yoghurt pots, loorolls, boxes and plastic bags, buttons, beads, fabric, felt and wool scraps. Thank you very much! Liz.

❖ **TV wanted**

In TRIBE we often use DVDs to bring Bible passages to life or build links with other familiar stories. It would be helpful if we could have our own TV to show these on. If you happen to know of a spare TV (portable but a reasonable size) looking for a good home do let Liz know.

❖ **Volunteer co-ordinators**

Both our Toddler group and Lunch Club benefit from student volunteers from Sheffield University, as will our Fairtrade Fun Day. There may be other ways in which volunteers from outside the church can work with us, and by working with others we may be able to do more community-building and all-people-loving. For this to work we have to make sure volunteers are properly recruited, vetted, welcomed, trained and supported. This idea is still at an embryonic stage but if this is the sort of thing which gets you out of bed in the morning, or you think you have any relevant experiences, please speak to Neil Harland.

❖ **Stay & Pray**

To complement our Prayer Service on the second Sunday of each month, we are introducing Stay & Pray on the fourth Sunday of the month. The idea is that people spend some time between 6:00pm and 7:00pm praying at home. So although we will not be meeting together face to face, we will be praying together in our homes. There is no set format for the prayer time but if you are looking for some ideas, the prayer bookmarks give prayer points. If you have any questions, please see Sue Chapman.

❖ **WEADS Pantomime**

Wesley Ebenezer Amateur Dramatic Society will be presenting their pantomime 'Beauty & the Beast' from **Wednesday 20th to Saturday 23rd February** at 7:15pm with a Saturday matinee at 2:15pm. Tickets are priced at £5 for adults and £3 for children for all performances. They are available now from Sue Mackley on [REDACTED] or from Sue and Brian Mills.

❖ **Women's World Day of Prayer**

The Women's World Day of Prayer will be held at Stannington Methodist Church Knowle Top on **Friday 1st March**. The speaker will be Mr Robert Spooner. The event starts at 10.30am with coffee available from 9.45am.

At present Wesley Hall does not have a Women's World Day of Prayer representative. If you feel you could volunteer for this role please have a word with Rev John Simms.

❖ **Methodist Women in Britain**

MWiB have hired the Showroom cinema again- After the success of last year's film at the Showroom cinema, Sheffield MWiB have again hired the Showroom cinema on **Wednesday 6th March**. This year's film is 'The Help', Set in Jackson, Mississippi, it tells the story of three women 'who find the courage to cross boundaries. They have an extraordinary tale to tell. Tickets: £5 Available from Circuit MWIB Secretaries or Chris Simmonds: 01246 251599 jc@simmonds4041.fsnet.co.uk

❖ **8 into 1 does Go!**

Do you enjoy singing? Have you a gift for welcoming people at the door? Are you dramatic? Do you have a music group? Are you great with technology? Do you have a choir? Do you enjoy working with children or young people? *Then your new circuit needs you!* On **Sunday 1st September** at 3pm the new Sheffield Circuit will be inaugurated with a special service at the Octagon. Planning for the service is beginning now. Please see the flyers at the rear of church and let the Rev Mark Goodhand know if you are able to help in any way.

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