



Wesley Hall

Part of Wesley Ebenezer Methodist Church



Minister: Rev. John Simms
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Sunday 9th January 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	Rev John Simms (Prayer Service)
		Worship Leader	Judith Simms
		Steward	Simone Hardy

<i>And next week</i>	<i>10:30 am:</i>	<i>Preacher:</i>	<i>Rev Daniel Morris-Chapman</i>
<i>16th January</i>		<i>Worship Leader</i>	<i>Louise Etherington</i>
		<i>Steward</i>	<i>Dorothy White</i>

THIS WEEK...

❖ **Wednesday Group 12th January**

The Wednesday Group Christmas Dinner will be held at 7pm for 7.30pm on 12th January.

❖ **Messy Church Meeting, 7:30pm Thursday 13th January**

Meeting to explore running a Messy Church with Nel Shallow - Mission Enabler -at Wesley Hall on Thursday 13th at 7:30 pm - please do come along if you are able too. At this stage we will be exploring the idea to see what's involved and whether it is something we are able to run at Wesley Hall. If you would like any more information please see Andrea

❖ **Thank you from Sue Mills**

Thank you to everyone for your prayers, get well cards messages and telephone calls after my recent knee operation. God bless you all. Sue Mills.

❖ **Tapton School Prayer Group**

Our first meeting of this term will be on Thursday 13th January at 8.00pm at 6 Hagg Lane. All parents and staff welcome. If you would like more details or would like us to pray about a particular issue please contact Wendy on [REDACTED].

COMING SOON...

❖ **Congregational Meeting, 7:30pm, Tuesday 25th January**

There will be a Congregational Meeting on Tuesday 25th January at 7:30 pm. In this meeting we will be discussing general church items and deciding which issues to put forward to the Joint Church Council Meeting with Walkley Ebenezer on Monday 31st January, which will take place here at Wesley Hall at 7:30 pm. The Congregational meeting is open to everyone and it would be great if as many people as possible were able to attend. A number of serious challenges and decisions face us as we decide our future not least over the costs of repairing the roof.

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Remember the Chilean miners and their dramatic rescue. Jose Henriquez one of the 33 is to visit the Victoria Hall Sheffield at 8 pm on Friday 28th January.

Tickets are available by emailing: chileanminersvisit@hotmail.co.uk or by calling [REDACTED].

❖ Could you be a WELCOMER?

Described by one welcomer as "the best job in church, because you get to meet everybody" we are in need of new members on the team.

A warm welcome, friendly smile & a listening ear are important ways of offering support and encouragement to one another and, particularly for newcomers or visitors, our greeting can influence whether or not they return. There are normally 4 people on duty each Sunday - 2 downstairs in the foyer & 2 upstairs in church & it involves being available about once a month. If this is something you could do please speak to Alison for more details. Thank you.

❖ A Notice from our Minister Rev John Simms

As 2011 has been designated the Year of the Bible, we will begin the year on 2nd January looking at the Bible and what it means to Christians.

On 9th January the focus of our time together will be Prayer. Some of you will know that we have begun to hold prayer services on Sunday evenings, but it was felt that it would be good for the morning congregation to share such an event.

From 16th January to 20th February we will be working our way through the book of Nehemiah. We had initially planned to do this in September/ October 2010, but decided in the end to do it in January/ February. It is hoped that the Fellowship groups will also follow suit and consider the passages in their meetings during the week following each sermon.

27th February sees a visit from James Greig from Leprosy Mission.

So, in summary:

- 9 Jan Prayer Service Rev John L Simms
- 16 Jan Nehemiah 1:1-2:10 Rev Daniel Morris-Chapman
- 23 Jan Nehemiah 2:11-4:23 Rev John L Simms [including Baptism & Communion]
- 30 Jan Nehemiah 5:1-6:16 Rev Catrin Harland
- 6 Feb Nehemiah 7:73-10:39 Rev John L Simms [Parade]
- 13 Feb Nehemiah 12:27-47 Mrs Judith Simms
- 20 Feb Nehemiah 13:1-31 Rev John L Simms [including Communion]
- 27 Feb Leprosy Mission. Mr James Greig

Rev John L Simms

❖ Greetings from Silas and Lauren

Receive Greetings from Kenya! Lauren and I have started the New Year very well, as a happily married couple. We would like to pass our heartfelt thanks to friends at Wesley Hall for your enormous support towards our wedding that took place on 4th Dec 2010, in Kenya. We were so pleased by all your lovely gifts and wedding cards; you will forever be remembered by us for the love you have shown towards us. The presence of Andrea, Ali and Alison in our wedding meant so much to us, we also enjoyed hosting them here in Kenya and taking the *safari* together. Special thanks also goes to all those who participated in the table top sale in which money was raised towards the project for children with HIV/AIDS in Kenya, may the Lord richly bless you; I will be giving you more details on this soon. Andrea and Alison, thanks for putting this together. Lauren and Silas Owati.

❖ Tree Planting and Possible Friends Group, Bolehill Recreation Group

The City Council is holding a meeting in the pavilion on the Bolehills at 7.30 on 19th January to discuss this.

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