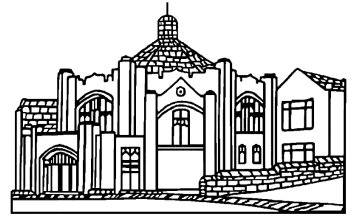




# Wesley Hall

## Part of Wesley Ebenezer Methodist Church

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### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 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.

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<b>Today's service</b>	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Preacher</b>	<b>Mrs. Nel Shallow</b>
		The steward on duty today is Dennis Kettlewell	

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<i>And next week</i>	<i>10:30am</i>	<i>Preacher</i>	<i>Dr. Chris Sissons</i>
<i>6<sup>th</sup> November</i>		<i>Worship Leader</i>	<i>Emma Irons</i>
		<i>The steward on duty will be Pat Singleton</i>	

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#### THIS WEEK...

##### ❖ New Songs

If you would like to learn some new songs so that you feel more able and confident to sing them during worship, then you would be very welcome to gather around the piano from 10:15am on a Sunday morning to learn together. Beth & Emma

##### ❖ Halloween Bags of Hope

I've obtained some UCB (United Christian Broadcasting) "Bags of Hope" for distribution over the Halloween period (possibly to "trick-or-treaters"). These contain a children's "Book of Hope", aimed for 5-8 year olds, and "The Word for Today" booklet, which provides short daily bible readings/studies/teaching for adults. I've put these in the entrance hall to church, so please help yourselves. Feel free to take complete bags or just the individual adult/child booklets. Thanks, Andrew Gray.

##### ❖ Wednesday Group

The Wednesday Group will be meeting in the Emmaus Room this *Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November* for a craft evening with Lily.

##### ❖ Mary Tozer

The next service at Mary Tozer will be this *Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November* from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. All are welcome to come and join us.

##### ❖ Talking Of God

Talking of God is a new faith sharing course following on from the 2005 report to the Methodist Conference Time of Talk of God, which featured on the Church Times list of bestselling Christian books. It is designed to help individuals and congregations to talk about their faith journey and John will be running the course jointly for Wesley Hall and Walkey Ebenezer starting this week:

Starting the Conversation	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	7:30pm at Wesley Hall
Conversation Stoppers	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	7:30pm at Wesley Hall
Conversations in Context	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November	7:30pm at Walkley Ebenezer
Living the Conversation	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	7:30pm at Walkley Ebenezer

### ❖ **Church Away Day**

Our Away Day is this *Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November* at Dungworth from 10:00am to around 3:00pm. The congregation from Walkley Ebenezer will be invited to join us as we take stock of where we are and where we are going. Please bring a packed lunch.

### ❖ **Church Office**

Matt is on holiday this week so the church office will be closed. He will be back on *Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November*.

## COMING SOON...

### ❖ **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 breakfast on *Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November*. If you have any queries, speak to Gareth or Jim.

### ❖ **Volo di Fantasia**

Concord Youth Music present Volo di Fantasia, a 'musical and visual flight of fancy' at the Blue Shed theatre on *Friday 11<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November*. For more information see the Concord website at [www.concord.org.uk/volo-di-fantasia.php](http://www.concord.org.uk/volo-di-fantasia.php).

### ❖ **Advent Fayre**

If you would to help with the Fayre we are having a planning meeting at 11:30 on *Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November*. Please ask Dorothy if you would like further information.

### ❖ **Celebration of Sport Service**

There will be a Celebration of Sport Service at the Cathedral on *Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November* at 7:30pm. For more information contact Peter Allen (Chaplain for Sport in the Dioceses of Sheffield) on [REDACTED].

### ❖ **Christmas Fayre at Nether Green**

The Beacon, Nether Green are holding a Christmas Fayre on *Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November* from 10:00am to 12:00noon with a variety of stalls including cake, plants, groceries, books, toys, games, gifts, CLEM and bacon butties! Admission is £1 (includes tea/coffee) and proceeds go towards Methodist Mission Funds. For a poster to advertise the event, see the Circuit E-News Downloads webpage [www.sheffieldwest.org.uk/downloads.html](http://www.sheffieldwest.org.uk/downloads.html).

### ❖ **Saints Alive**

The Saints Alive puppet team (who performed at the Stay & Play morning last week) present their Christmas show 'A Christmas Party' which will be held at the Montgomery Theatre on *Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December* at 7:00pm. The show will also feature the Christian magician Steve Macbeth. Ticket cost £5 for adults, £2 for children and available by calling the SCEC office (0114) 272 0455 or Glyn Jones [REDACTED]. All profits will go towards the redevelopment of Montgomery Hall.

### ❖ **Love Sheffield At Christmas**

*When is it taking place?*

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December from 10:00am to 2:00pm outside the Cathedral.

*How does it work?*

Lots of small teams of Christians go out from the Cathedral onto the city streets and give away free mince pies to show that we care – and God cares – about our city. There are no strings attached: the gifts really are free and we just hope it brightens people's day to know that someone cares. Each mince pie is accompanied by a small Love Sheffield card. It's as simple as that! We don't advertise individual church services and we don't get into debates – but if people want to chat further or ask for prayer that is fine.

*Who can get involved?*

Anyone! Children, teenagers and adults all enjoy putting a smile on someone's face by giving them a free gift and telling them "God loves you". Love Sheffield isn't linked to any particular church or denomination. The initiative evolved from a meeting of city centre churches and ministries where we realised we could all work together to bless our city.

For more information see [www.lovesheffieldatchristmas.org.uk](http://www.lovesheffieldatchristmas.org.uk).

## AND FINALLY...

### ❖ **Update From Janti:**

An update from Janti, our sponsored child in India, through Compassion UK (written in the summer)

*"First may I convey my respect and greetings to you in the name of Lord Jesus. I am fine here by your valuable prayers and help. I hope and believe that you are also fine there by the grace of God. Thank you for your beautiful letter. The weather in India is so hot I cannot bear this heat at times. Thank you for your photograph of 2 of your boys. I pray for you and your family and all the children in Sunday School. I like eating fruit like mango, pineapple and jalk fruit. My school will be closing for the summer soon. Please pray for my studies and family. Yours Janti."*

The children in TRIBE have sent Janti a Christmas card that they have all signed and as a church we have made a gift to Compassion UK for a suitable Christmas gift to be purchased for Janti. Thank you for remembering Janti in your prayers and thank you for the financial support.

### ❖ **Accordion Band Concert**

Last Saturday evening raised £176 for the 20 in 12 Challenge. Thank you to everyone who supported the event in any way. Pat Singleton.

### ❖ **Leprosy Mission**

The Leprosy Mission Christmas Catalogue is on the table in the foyer. If anyone would like to order card, gifts etc. please see Sue Mills.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...

Autumn is a season of change, and by the time you read this the clocks will have changed and we will have gained an extra hour (or been given back an extra hour that we lost in March). What will you do with that extra time? I suppose most of us will have slept through it, as it came between 1 & 2 in the morning, but our bodies will take time to get used to the change, won't they? So here's a suggestion: if you find yourself waking a little earlier than you're used to, why not spend that time in prayer and/or Bible reading? If it makes it any easier for you, you can make a cuppa to drink while you're praying. Use this time as a gift from God, to get a little closer to Him.

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