

BURTON ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

Church Web Site: www.burtonroadmethodist.org.uk

“Burton Road Methodist Church is committed to bringing people to Christ, through God’s word, and the power of the Holy Spirit.

- . Accepting people as they are
- . Worshipping together as a family
- . Welcoming and loving everyone
- . Serving the community around us

Minister:- Rev Stephen Brown, 1 Ancaster Avenue, Lincoln LN2 4AY. (01522) 525064

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Large print Bibles, hymn, service, and songbooks and sheets are available, please ask at the door.

Welcome to all, may you come to feel the peace of the living Lord.

Sunday 9th October

10.30 am – Mr Arthur Hudson

7.00 pm – Alpha

On duty:-	Vestry	Door	Instrumentalists	Flowers
am	John	Nigel	Michael	Pauline and Jim

Junior Church:- Elizabeth, Denise, Nigel, Joy, Debbie

Sunday 16th October

10.30 am – Mr Garth Hicks

7.00 pm – Alpha

On duty:- Angela, Joan, Pauline, Elizabeth, Claire, Andi, Sarah E.

Please pray

...for Garth, Maureen and the Junior Church Staff preparing worship for next weekend

...for the leaders and participants of Alpha, that they may all gain support and understanding of our Lord.

The week ahead

Monday	6.30 pm	Prayer Meeting in the Church
	6.30 pm	16th Lincoln Scouts in the Hall
Tuesday	6.00 pm	16th Lincoln Beavers in the Lounge
	6.30 pm	16th Lincoln Cubs in the Hall
	7.30 pm	Church Council in the Church
Wednesday	7.30 pm	Ladies Club – visit to the theatre re ‘Summer Holiday’
Thursday	7.30 pm	Housegroup
	7.30 pm	Poacher Morris in the Hall
Friday	6.00 pm	Special Agents
Saturday	9.30 am	Faith Walkers

Notices

Should you require help, which you think we, as a church, may be able to provide, but you are not able to make personal contact whilst here with us, please contact our minister **Stephen** on (01522) 525064; or our pastoral worker **Peter** on (01522) 822981

The **autumn BRM** is being prepared. Please let Dorothy Chambers have all dates etc. to be included by **TODAY Sunday 9th October**. Thank you.

Mission Focus:- We have just passed the anniversary of the awful events that took place in Beslan, and have recently been reminded in the news of the continuing heartache of the people in that town. You may not know however of the two local Baptist pastor's who are brothers, Taimuraz and Surgey Totiev. Eight of their children were caught in the school attack. Six were killed, one was seriously injured and one found alive. Pray for these men and their remaining families, as they not only come to terms with their own loss, but seek to reach out "in peace" to the community they serve. If you have the internet please look at www.sga.org/beslan/20050105visit/beslanvisit.html.

Shopping for Nomad This year we will be collecting food, toiletries and cleaning items requested by Nomad, as our Harvest appeal. For the next 2 Sundays there will be a box in church for us to put our contributions. Please choose from: Flour, Cereals, Gravy mix, Custard Powder, UHT milk, Pastry & Sponge mix, Sugar, Tea & Squash, Herbs & Spices, Pasta Sauces, Tinned meats, Jam, Cooking oil, Paper towels, Washing powder, Floor cleaner, Antibacterial cleaner, Washing up liquid, Dish cloths, Toilet rolls, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Air freshener, Cream cleanser, Disposable gloves. Thank you!

Our income during the summer months amounted to June £1017.20, July £980.49 and August £818.88. We give thanks for Gods provision and continue to seek His prompting in our giving.

Methodist Publishing House have sent Prayer cards and calendars, a catalogue including gifts for Christmas and information in 'Methodist Matters' re Methodism nationally. Feel free to borrow copies from the table at the back of church.

Collage materials needed Please could you save anything that would be suitable for making collages e.g. Sweet wrappers, bits of wool or material, also wool for embroidering decorations at the Children and Young peoples Weekend on the 5th November. Please give your 'bits' to Elizabeth. Thank you.

Film Nights are here again! On Monday 31st October we will be showing a film for the family at 6pm.....'The Incredibles'. Admission free, details next week.

Church Council – Tuesday 11th October at 7.30 pm prompt in the Church. All are welcome to take part in the discussion regarding our church business, although only members of the church are eligible to vote.

There will be a meeting for **Junior Church Staff** and the helpers for the Children and Young People's weekend on **Tuesday 18th October**, 7.45 pm at 202 West Parade (Sarah's House). These two meetings have been combined to ease workload and meeting fatigue! Hope to see you there. Thanks Elizabeth and Garth.

Children/Young People's Activity Weekend – We are having a childrens/young people's activity weekend on Saturday/Sunday 5th/6th November, led by Colin Draper of Scripture Union. There will be craft activities, games and lots of fun. We think it is a great opportunity for you to invite your friends along. It will be for 5 to 14 year olds and the admission will be free. You and your friends will need to complete a booking form by 27th October, so please see Elizabeth or Garth or ring 821901 or email hicksfamily@ntlworld.com for a booking form.

Saturday will be 9.45 am – 3.30 am *

Sunday will be All Age Worship at 10.30 am to which all the family are invited to share with us what we have been doing over the weekend. The weekend will close with drinks and biscuits after the service.

*Please bring a packed lunch.

Don't be bored at the end of the holidays – come and have fun with us !

Our **envelope scheme** is being **renewed in October** and existing users will receive their new envelopes this month. This scheme helps us to give to the Church regularly and new members are welcome.

Gift Aid is a government scheme to help Churches and charities by repaying Income Tax. We have a successful scheme and again, new members are welcomed to increase the Church's income at no extra cost to the individuals. **Please have a word with Michael Chambers if you may be interested in either scheme.** Thank you.

Leonard and Joy Mitchell invite you to join them in celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary by sharing with them in a buffet style meal on Sunday 16th October 2005, between 12 midday and 6.00 pm at 173 Yarborough Road. Partners and children are welcome but **please NO cards or gifts**. Access to the property can be a little difficult (steepish slopes and steps), please phone 526403 for assistance.

We still have a few more slots to fill for the **Time For God girls**. They are available in the day time on Fridays and Bo-ram on Tuesday mornings and Phoebe on Tuesday afternoons. If there are any groups which you know could benefit from an extra pair of hands please could you let LEANNE know. Thank you contact: LEANNE at the Youth Office T: 01522 527721

Faith Walkers:- Our next walk on 15th October is a circular walk around Skellingthorpe and Harby. The walk starts at Skellingthorpe village hall car park and follows the route of a part of the national cycle route. This walk is easy walking on various terrains. Once off the cycle track we will be on field paths and a little road work. The distance is 8 miles maximum. This walk is unsuitable for mobility scooters and wheelchairs. Please bring a packed lunch. We will depart from Burton Road Methodist Church at the usual time of 9.30 pm. Please remember to follow the Countryside Code. Please remember any children wishing to take part in these activities must be accompanied by a parent at all times. Please also note that anyone taking part in these activities does so at their own risk. If you require transport from our departure point and back again, we do need to know in advance of the day. For further information about these walks please contact Glenn (530150), John 750082 or Mark 806784.

Bereavement Meeting to be held at 2 Carisbrooke Close, on **Monday 10th October** at 10.30 pm with Rev. Marjorie Maltby. All welcome who have lost loved ones.

Old Age Presents the Church with New Opportunities' Elaine Robinson will run this session on inclusive ways of working with older people in the life of the church. Issues considered will include 'praying with and praying for, doing with and doing to' and 'why is ageing a spiritual issue?'
Barnby Gate Methodist Church, Newark Thursday 20th October, 7.30-9.30pm Led by Elaine Robinson

Cost £5. Please send booking form to N/D District Help by Friday 14th October 2005 or simply print your name, address, Circuit name, title, cost of course and e-mail address on a suitable piece of paper and send to N/D District Help - **123 Lime Grove Newark, NG24 4AG**

We are again invited to enter a team in the **Brain of Ingham Quiz** on **Friday 14th October** at 7.30 pm in Ingham and Cammeringham Village Hall, The Green, Ingham. Admission is £1.50 per person, including light refreshments. This is a light-hearted general knowledge quiz arranged by Ingham Methodist Church. We have not yet sent a team (4 people) so will this be the year we go for the first time? Please let Angela know so a supporters club can be arranged!!!

A message from Peter Pillinger. Helen, Simon and I have been grateful for the warm welcome we have received from God's people at Burton Road Methodist. Many of you are old friends but some of you will not know us and all of you may be wondering what is happening when a Methodist minister arrives at your church but is not your minister.

18 months ago the Church of England produced a report called 'Mission-shaped Church'. Graham Horsley, Church Planning and Evangelism secretary at Methodist HQ had a hand in its production, so it is sort of ecumenical. The report [which is a good read!!!] outlines the state of the church and British society and makes some recommendations to the C of E. This has led to the Archbishops of Canterbury and York setting up a new mission organisation called Fresh Expressions. The Methodist Church has 'bought into' Fresh Expressions and I have been appointed as the Methodist 'Fresh Expressions Missioner'. If the 90% of the British population who are not active in the church were going to come to what we already offer they would already be there! So we have to develop fresh expressions of the eternal Good News and that is what Fresh Expressions is all about. If you are on the internet you can see more details on www.freshexpressions.org.uk.

It is a tremendous privilege to serve God this way and a very different lifestyle. Last week I was in Manchester on Wednesday, Dunblane on Thursday, Oxford on Friday and Nottingham on Saturday. You can see why I was not preaching on Sunday! As I said above we are grateful for your support and I would welcome your prayers for me in this new ministry. To help you do this I have written down some key diary appointments of October below. God bless you. Pete Pillinger

Week beginning Sun 9th

Sun - St Giles Church Anniversary

Monday am - Meetings at Cliff College

Mon pm to Tuesday pm - Methodist District Evangelism Enablers Retreat

Wednesday - 'Strategic Thinking' conference - Leeds

Thursday - Coaching and Accompaniment Conference - London

Week beginning Sun 16th

Monday - Church reviews meeting - London

Tuesday - Mission accompaniment meeting Cliff College

Thursday - Natural Church development reportback - Keelby

Saturday - Voice of Methodism Trustees - Huddersfield

Week beginning Sun 23rd - No appointments this week - half term

Week beginning Sun 30th

Wednesday & Thursday - Building Bridges of Hope conference - London

Friday and Saturday - Fresh Expressions conference, Wakefield Diocese /West Yorks District

SOS – the circuit needs a new Treasurer. Robin Harbottle is retiring and we are urgently seeking a new Circuit Treasurer for Robin to assist over the next year, before he hands over completely. Please ring Stephen if you are interested.

Don't forget to **sign up for Songs of Praise** in Lincoln Cathedral. See notice at back of church.

NEEMA CHILDRENS CENTRE (NCC) – This Children's Centre had been discussed at Synod, when it was stated information would be sent to all churches should anyone wish to offer help. Further information is available on the letter at the back of the Church, however if you wish to donate cheques should be sent to Robert Gillingwater, 15 Pelham Ave Scartho, Grimsby, DN33 3NA. He will send it on to Methodist Church House. From there it goes to the Kenya Conference Office, on to Kawangware Methodist Church, and finally to Neema. A covering letter should state clearly that the money is for Neema Children Centre

The Methodist Church Lincoln North Circuit Seeks to appoint a full-time CHURCH & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKER This is an exciting new opportunity to develop contact, relationships and understanding between the communities and the church for the purposes of outreach, mission and service within the Burton Road, Ermine West and the West End areas of Lincoln. The successful candidate will

- Help churches understand the spiritual and practical needs of the communities and how they may help to meet those needs
- Act as catalyst, trainer and encourager to bring the churches to the communities and the communities to the churches

Salary £17,376 per annum plus expenses, pension scheme and opportunities for personal development.

We welcome applications from highly motivated, committed Christians with a mature faith and proven communication skills. A working knowledge of the Methodist Church at Circuit and local level will be an advantage. For an application form and a job description please contact: Rev Stephen Brown, 01522 525064 or email stephenbro@ntlworld.com.

The closing date for applications is 31 October 2005

Notices: - Please pass all information for the next notice sheet to Angela Reast **by Wednesday at the latest**. Tel: - (01522) 822981 or email reastfamily1@ntlworld.com. Thank you.