North West England District Weekly News

NORTH WEST ENGLAND METHODIST DISTRICT

10 November 2026

A PDF downloadable copy of this newsletter is available here.

Please note that the District website will be offline and unavailable to be accessed from Friday 13 November, for up to 72 hours, due to planned maintenance. The website will be available from Monday 16 November.

District News

Safeguarding Sunday Prayers and Reflection

Safeguarding is about more than policies and procedures. It is about living out God's call to justice, mercy, and care for one another. This Safeguarding Sunday, we give thanks for all who help make our churches safer places and recommit ourselves to creating communities where everyone is welcomed, valued, listened to, and protected.



Read prayers and a reflection from our Regional Officers for Safeguarding here

Prayers for Remembrance Day

Read the prayers here

Advent 2026 Resources Are Now Live

Resources for Advent are now live on the District website and are available to be used by Churches and Circuits.

Access the resources here



Communications Community of Practice

Thursday 19 November | 10.30am | Online

The community of practice is open to anyone within the District with an interest in communications and digital engagement. Our first meeting will further explore our Advent resources and how your church or circuit can use them to take part in outreach this Christmas. The zoom link to attend is: https://zoom.us/j/96969282874?pwd=bWuraUe4lLfmOvaSFBKs3TCGUf4bSD.1



What would you like to see covered in future sessions?

Please let us know how to help you get the most out of the group through completing our short survey. If there are areas not covered by the survey that you'd like us to consider, please get in touch with Tori by email at allent@nwedmethodists.org.uk

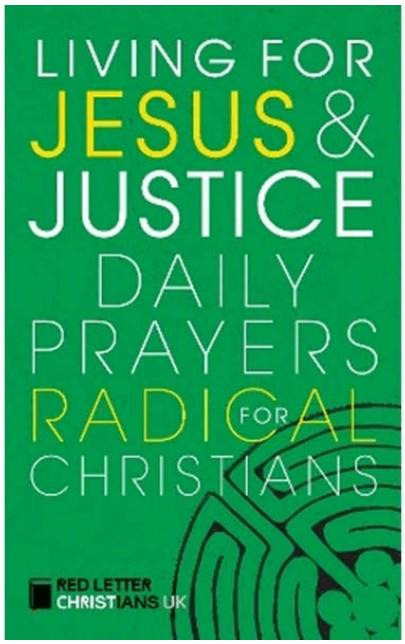
Answer our short survey here

District Tuesday Morning Online Prayer

Our District Online Prayer takes place on Zoom, from 8am for 30 minutes each Tuesday.

We're using the resources from 'Living for Jesus & Justice', and working our way through them, whilst gathering people from across the District for a time of sharing together in prayer.

If you'd like to join us, any week, and don't have the Zoom login code, then please send a message on Facebook or email us at admin@nwedmethodists.org.uk and we'll send it to you.



District Christmas Card Competition

Two weeks left to enter our Christmas Card Competition!

A quick reminder that entries for our District Christmas Card Competition close on **Monday 23 November**. We'd love to see your creative designs from children and young people across the District. There's still time to get involved, so get those entries in! The winning design will feature on our District Christmas card this year.

Download the entry form here

District Online Worship Recording

The recording of our November Online District Worship, which marked Safeguarding Sunday, is now available.

Watch the recording here



Monthly Property Support Meeting

Wednesday 11 November | 10.30am | Online

This session will focus on burial ground safety and management, including risk assessments and headstone monitoring, alongside an introduction to Martyn's Law and what it could mean for churches. There will also be time for a Q&A.

View the flyer here

Digital Digest

Screenshots and Social Media

This week's Digital Digest looks at how churches promote events on social media and why using original digital graphics, rather than photographs of printed posters or screenshots, can make such a difference.

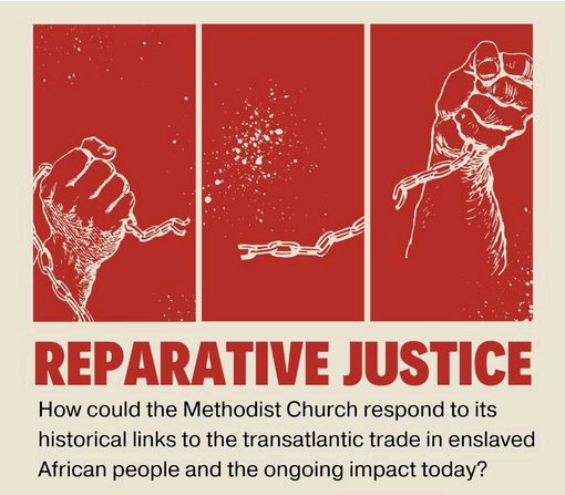
Read the Digest here

Events: Greater Manchester Plus

Reparative Justice

Sunday 29 November | 2pm | Manley Park Methodist Church, M16 0BZ

How could the Methodist Church respond to its historical links to the transatlantic trade in enslaved African people and the ongoing impact today? Join us for the opportunity to explore the history, hear different perspectives, and consider what meaningful action might look like.



Download the flyer here

Resources

Monday Meditation

Weekly 40 minute meditations led by Peter Lumsden, which include breathing practices for stillness and relaxation, a topic for reflection, and a period of silence to develop your own practice. Contact Peter for the Zoom link: pjlumsden58@gmail.com

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Rural Mission Training Courses

The following courses have released 2027 dates and are available to be booked:

- Rural Mission and Ministry Course: 5-6 May at Wyedale, 13-14 October at Yarnfield. Click here for further information and bookings.
- Rural and Wild: 24-26 September at Cliff College. Click here for further information and bookings.
- Bite-sized Rural Mission (online course): 6 evening sessions, January-March. Click here for further information and bookings.

Creative Half Day Retreat and Relaxation Workshop

Revd Grace Cauldwell, Cumbria Culture Change Lead, is offering half day creative retreats, for groups of up to three people, in Central Windermere (easily accessible by public transport) and 90 minute relaxation workshops, for up to ten people, at a venue of your choice. There is no cost (other than travel or venue) for ministry teams in NWED (volunteers, lay, ordained) for the relaxation workshops, and the cost for the half day retreats is £20 per person to cover material costs. At the moment it's free for Methodists, as individuals and churches, and you can book online using the code 'NWED'. More information is available here, and you can contact Grace by email at: Ministry@inthepottingshed.co.uk

Information for individuals

Information for teams and organisations

All We Can's Extraordinary Gifts

Are you looking for an impactful gift this Christmas? With every Extraordinary Gift, you will receive a card to pass on to your loved one, showing them the difference their gift could make.



Find out more here

Just Church: a project from Church Action on Poverty

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A project of Church Action on Poverty

Just Church is a national programme to help churches drive social change and seek justice. The programme aims to uphold and enhance the work of churches, and help them explore the best next steps on their journey.

Find out more here

News from Connexion

The Well News: November 2026

Vacancies

Find all current internal vacancies listed here.

Contact Us

Have something to share?

One of the best parts of District life is hearing what God is doing in our churches. If your church has a good news story, an upcoming event or a resource that could benefit others, we'd love to hear from you!

The deadline for sending your stories and events in to us is 12pm every Tuesday. Please send all content to admin@nwedmethodists.org.uk

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