



\* Please could we ask that the Messy Church donations box in the Hub is not used as a recycling bin?

The theme in October is "The ten bridesmaids" and there is quite a lot you could help us with if possible. We need small boxes with lids, clean small jam jars or baby food jars, cooking oil, jewel stickers, a 2m length of drainpipe, battery operated tea lights and clean, empty tin cans. If you can provide any of this please speak to Sally or Karen , or leave items in the donations box by Sunday 6th October.

As always if you could help on the day we would be really grateful, but if not then please pray for the session that our congregation may come to know God's love. There were 101 people in total at our last session

Thank you for your continued support, Sally & Karen.

It was discussed at church council the lack of giving by this church to the food bank. Two reasons were given. Firstly, you don't know which Sunday to give so we have changed it to all Sundays. Secondly, you don't know what to give so how about making it simple! Bring a tin such as fruit, vegetables, meat or fish. I will put in future notices anything else they are desperate for. It was raised that unbelievably people using our building are stealing from the box so it has been moved into church. So when you do your weekly shopping could you please pick up a tin for someone who is struggling to feed their family. If you can't afford weekly maybe you could manage once a month. Please be the Good Samaritan.

**There is another round of safeguarding training taking place this autumn.**

Dates are as follows:- **Foundation Refresher Module training**

Wed 30th October, 7pm to 9:30pm at Sandylands Methodist Church.

Tues 12th November; 2pm - 4:30pm at Kirkby Lonsdale Methodist Church

**Foundation Module training**

Tuesday 19th November 7pm until 9:30pm at Levens Methodist Church

If you need to update or complete this training please let Karen know which session you plan to attend. This training needs to be updated every 4 years.

**NOTICES** :- Email Elizabeth on liz\_stanbridge@hotmail.co.uk or phone 725156

Notices by Thursday evening please. Notices sent after Thursday evening will NOT be included in the notice sheet.

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## SANDYLANDS METHODIST CHURCH



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**NOTICE SHEET FOR WEEK 6th - 13th OCTOBER**

We extend a **warm welcome to all**, especially visitors.

We invite you to stay **for coffee** after the morning service.

There is a **crèche** for under 3's where your baby or toddler can be looked after while you enjoy worship.

If you would like prayer after the service please talk to someone wearing a Green Lanyard

**THIS WEEKS ACTIVITIES**

<b>TODAY</b>	10.30am	Rev Tricia Rogers	Steward Beth: Welcomers Delphine & Karen:
		Coffee Claire & Ed: Counters Olive & Freda: PA Lance:	
	3.30pm	Causeway	
<b>MONDAY</b>	9.30am	Totters	
	1.30pm	CBB's	
	6.15pm	Girls Brigade	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	10.00am	Drop In in the Lounge	
	6.00pm	Activ8	7.30pm XLR8
<b>THURSDAY</b>	10.00am	Over 60s	
	2.00pm	Friendship Group - <i>My time as Sandylands Community Worker'</i>	
		wth Dorothy Bailey. All Welcome	
<b>FRIDAY</b>	2.00pm	Cornerstone Crafts	
<b>SATURDAY</b>	3.30pm	Messy Church - <i>see over*</i>	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	10.30am	Rev J Thomas— Holy Communion	Steward Barbara: Welcomers Marilyn & Claire: Coffee Alastair & Jane: Counters Agnes & Peter: PA Ed:

Today's Readings : 2 Timothy 1:1-14 Luke 17:5-10





**The Shoebox project for Boxes of Hope, Cumbria is now launched.**

The leaflets with information and guidance about items to enclose are in the Hub. If you do not feel able to fill a shoebox yourself but would still like to give your support and bring a bit of happiness to children in Romania who do not have the 'commercial' Christmas our children experience, please consider perhaps providing a few items, such as toothpaste, soap, stationery items etc, or cash towards the transport costs.

Friendship Group will be having a 'filling' afternoon' on 7th November- you are very welcome to join us then too. The filled boxes will be collected on 15/16 November. Do speak to me if you need any more information. Many thanks. Wendy There are shoeboxes in the zone if anyone wants one or Scope have empty shoeboxes - just pop in and help yourself.



Stanley Robinson writes :- "I would like to thank Sandylands for the beautiful flowers which you kindly sent me. These are now in a vase in my front window and give me great joy and pleasure to see.

I am getting better but still have serious walking difficulties but hope to be back to church as soon as possible. Many thanks for your beautiful gift of flowers and for remembering me in your prayers".

**Church room bookings/ invoicing** - We are very grateful to Shona Atherton for taking over the role of room hire invoicing from Debbie Rimmer. We now need someone to take on the room bookings role from Barbara. The job involves making internal and external bookings, maintaining the church bookings diary, completing the paperwork, and arranging access to the building. We cannot currently afford to employ someone to do this, but as we all know, generating income for church funds is essential if we are to continue reaching out to our community, and raising funds from room hire is part of that. If you think this is something you could do, or could share with someone else, or you'd like to know more, then please have a chat with Barbara or Shona. If you are already busy with other roles in church, maybe you'd consider having a change of role for a time. The position could be for a trial period initially, and time-limited, and suggestions for improving the system would be very welcome! Please do think and pray as to whether this is something you could take on. Thank you.

Please see the notice board for details of **"SHADES OF FAITH" Art and the Bible Story** at Castle Street and St Thomas Church



**£££ DO YOU SHOP ONLINE?** Whilst we would always encourage people to support local shops we appreciate that online shopping is here to stay, especially as Christmas approaches. There is a way our church income can benefit from this as we did when raising money for the main refurbishment. We have re-registered our cause as -Sandylands Methodist Church- with the website [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk) and by using this link many retailers will give a % donation. Copies of the guidance details for logging on are in the Hub. Happy shopping!



**Sandylands Social Committee Film Night – Sat 26<sup>th</sup> Oct 7pm**

We have three films to choose from, please chat to Ann marie or Rebecca about the movie you would like us to show, the most popular wins!

- 1.Wonder – Born with facial differences that, up until now, have prevented him from going to a mainstream school.
  - 2.The Man who Sued God – After lawyer Steve Myers (Billy Connolly) abandons his career, he buys a boat and pursues a quiet life as a fisherman.
  - 3.Noah – When God decides that mankind has become too sinful and must be wiped off the Earth, he chooses Noah (Russell Crowe), a pious man, for a great task
- Donations for church funds for light refreshments!



**House Group recommencing:** Are you interested in joining a house group?

Maybe you've been thinking about it for a while. Well, now, as we begin a new season, is a really good opportunity! We meet on alternate Monday evenings, usually at Stephen and Barbara's in Natland from 7.30-9.30. Beginning on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, we'll be using the Methodist Church material entitled 'Talking of God Together – making it easy for you to speak about God and faith'. It is a series of five sessions and sounds really good. David Stretton has recommended it! Anyway, do think about coming along and giving us a try – we'd love to see you! You may like to speak to Stephen or Barbara to find out a bit more: 015395 60701

**PRAYERS SOUGHT FOR STATIONING PROCESS:** Pray for wisdom and discernment for all involved; that the Holy Spirit is allowed to work in and through the process; and that the particular circumstances and needs of this circuit are understood by two Scrutiny Panels. We will also be organising a circuit prayer evening on **Monday 4th November**, the first evening of Matching, to pray that the right person is matched with our circuit. Please make a note of this date and support the event. There will be more details in due course.

