

# Jersey Methodist Circuit

## OUR MISSION

To build confident faith in God, to encourage Christian growth and to strengthen community life in Jersey



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Hello!

I just wanted to take the opportunity to say a quick hello to everyone, having taken over as PA to Dawn and Administrator for the CI District and Jersey Circuit on September 23rd.

As this is my first newsletter out to you all, I hope I have been able to capture everyone's requests...please keep them coming and feel free to email any items for inclusion to: [circuit.office.je@gmail.com](mailto:circuit.office.je@gmail.com).

To give you a bit of information about me, I have come from an administrative background and as such I am looking forward to being able to use my skills, wherever I can, to assist you all across the District and Circuit.

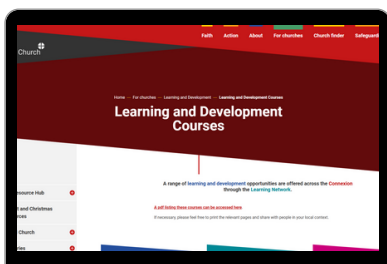
Outside of work, I enjoy spending time with family, especially walking my dog with my partner. She is a long legged Chihuahua named Bella and absolutely rules our household. One of my main passions is also art, especially painting. My favorite topic to paint is animal portraiture. It has been a few years since I have had the time but hope to get back into painting regularly soon.



It has been a pleasure hearing from everyone and you have all been so very kind and helpful, thank you and I look forward to meeting you all in person at some point in the future!

*Donna*

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WITH THE METHODIST CHURCH**

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YOUR KNOWLEDGE?**

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<https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/learning-and-development/learning-and-development-courses/>

## PRAYER FOR THE WEEK: OCTOBER

### WEEK COMMENCING 7TH OCTOBER

Awesome God,  
As we begin this new month, may our focus not be on the evenings drawing in but on how we can share your light and love with everyone we meet. Let us be beacons of hope, burning ever brighter as we grow in relationship with you. Amen.

### WEEK COMMENCING 14TH OCTOBER

Ever - listening God,  
Thank you for always listening to our prayers - wherever we are and whatever time of day. May we remember to rest in your presence and find refreshment and renewal through your Holy Spirit. Amen.

### WEEK COMMENCING 21ST OCTOBER

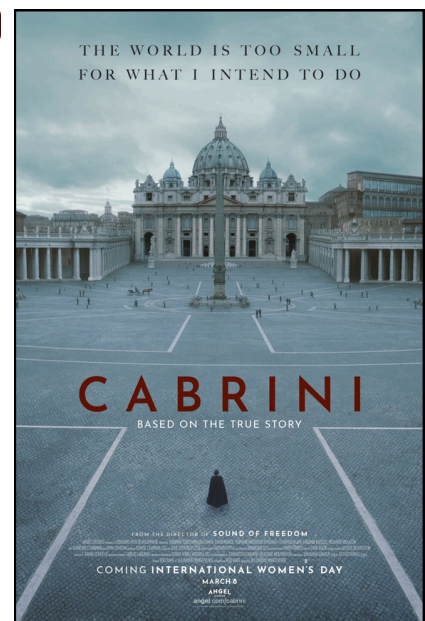
Guiding God,  
Help us to trust in you and walk your path of righteousness. May we take every opportunity to tell others about our faith and what our relationship with you means to us. Amen.

### WEEK COMMENCING 28TH OCTOBER

Forgiving God,  
We are sorry for all the times that we have let you down and thank you for your patience and unconditional love. Help us to be equally forgiving when anyone hurts us or those whom we love. Amen.

## BETHLEHEM FILM NIGHTS ARE BACK!

Taking place on Cinema and Supper on the Second Saturday. The first one of the season will be on 12th October and will be a showing of 'Cabrini', the true story of Italian immigrant Francesca Cabrini. In 1889, she arrived in New York City, greeted by crime, disease, and impoverished children. She set off on a daring mission to help society's most vulnerable, but had to overcome the prejudices and indifference of those in power. A meal will be served at 6.00 p.m., followed by the film at 7.30 p.m. Please contact Dianne at [diannehuddlestone@gmail.com](mailto:diannehuddlestone@gmail.com) or mobile 07797747621 by Wednesday 9th October if coming for food.



Saturday 9th November 'One Life' starring Anthony Hopkins



## QUEEN'S NURSE TITLE AWARDED TO MHA HOME MANAGER

The MHA's very own Stuart Court home manager; Elaine Jackson, has been awarded the Queen's Nurse title. This prestigious title is awarded to those with 5+ years of experience and have demonstrated a high level of commitment to patient care and nursing practice.

The aim of the Queen's Nurse programme is to provide individual nurses with the opportunity to develop their professional skills and deliver outstanding patient care in the community, something which we know Elaine is already achieving at Stuart Court.

The nature of the award means that Elaine is one of only a few that have received the title in the island and believed to be the only nurse to be awarded it whilst working in the care-home sector.

A ceremony will be taking place in November at the Queen's Nursing Institute Annual Award Ceremony in London, where Elaine will be presented with her Queen's Nurse badge and certificate.



WELL DONE ELAINE!



## CHARITY COFFEE MORNING AT SAMARES



Samares Methodist Centre held their Wednesday coffee morning on the 25th September with all proceeds going to Macmillan Jersey. It was well supported and the sum of £195.00 will be going to Macmillan to support their work in Jersey.

Many thanks to all attended and well done!



Come and join us  
**Advent Courses**

Held at Ebenezer  
2.30-3.30pm

**26th November "Watch"**  
With Rev. Keith Sandow

**3rd December "Prepare"**  
With Helen Higginson

**10th December "Act "**  
With Rev. Peter Goodhall

**17th December "Rejoice"**  
With Rev. Keith Sandow

Any queries please get in  
touch with Helen.

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# HARVEST SERVICES ACROSS THE ISLAND



## St Aubin (Sunday 29th September)

Well done to the congregation for all the donations and small team of ladies who made a wonderful display. The focus was on dry goods and tins for the St Helier Methodist Church food bank, with plants going to the older members of the church and care homes.



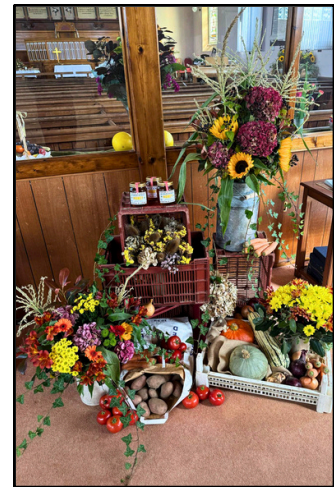
## Bethlehem (Sunday 22nd September)







## Bethesda (Sunday 15th September)



## St Martin (Sunday 15th September)



## St Helier (Sunday 22nd September)



Wonderful displays of groceries were set up which will go towards the Food bank. Autumn flowers, were also donated by the church family, which decorated the windowsills and were then distributed to home-bound friends. A Harvest cash collection was also donated to keep the food bank topped up through the winter.







## HARVEST SERVICES CONT.

### Ebenezer (Sunday 6th October)

'Gods provision' was the theme, with the main display being created in gold and orange to match autumn colours.

Donations of tin goods and knitting will be go to the Mustard Seed Appeal, with any remaining packets and jars, going to Jersey Women's Shelter.

The Harvest rings hanging from the communion rail, were the craft made at the Generations session on Friday 4th of October.



# THANK YOU

...to all Churches  
who donated to the  
St Helier Food bank  
over Harvest!

Remember if you would like to offer any further assistance with the St Helier Methodist Church food bank please do get in touch on 877517 or visit the webpage: <https://methodistcentre.je/get-involved/food-store/>



# HAPPY 70TH BIRTHDAY EDITH!



Celebrations continued after the Ebenezer Harvest Service with Edith celebrating her 70th Birthday at the faith lunch. Happy Birthday Edith, we hope you had a lovely day!



## Autumn Concert

Thursday 24th October 7.30pm St. Aubin's

Methodist Church

## Amity Singers

Accompanist Grace Garnier Retiring Collection on behalf of the choir and the Red Cross



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# Help Mustard Seed Jersey bring joy in both Ukraine & Romania for Christmas with the 2024 Christmas Shoe box Appeal

## IT'S MORE THAN SHOEBOXES

Only the poorest and neediest receive one of our shoeboxes, often they genuinely face the risk of death by starvation or freezing. We invite you to give money for our BREAD & FOOD & WINTER FUEL APPEALS. We purchase the food and fuel in the country with the donated money. We distribute to those most in need.

We also help with MEDICAL NEEDS.

In 2023 we sent 3647 Christmas shoeboxes from Jersey to Romania & Ukraine, including Ukrainian refugees in Romania.

[For full details of how to help take part please view the 2024 Appeal Letter: Appeal letter 2024.pdf \(mustardseed.org.je\).](#)

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## KNITTING FOR MUSTARD SEED

The members of Georgetown were delighted that, after leading his first morning worship with them, Rev Keith blessed a whole range of beautiful, brightly coloured knitted blankets, hats, matinee jackets and gloves before they began their long journey with Mustard Seed to Romania and Ukraine. He remembered in prayer those who had knitted the items and those, unknown to them, who would receive and welcome them in the cold months to come. Rev Keith commended the international outreach of the Georgetown knitters and Mustard Seed.





# GENERATIONS ARE BACK!



Generations have restarted at Ebenezer, with the first sessions taking place on Friday 4th of October. The session (as shown in the photographs) was well attended, with residents from Cheval Roc Care Home also joining for the first time.

## Sessions timetable:

- Arrive 2.45 pm
- Singing a few popular well known songs and doing a craft activity.
- Children arrive from just after 3pm
- Some sit with the seniors to help with the craft and have a chat.
- Finish with songs, with the children handing out musical instruments to those who wish to join in

Generations will be meeting again on the 8th of November and 6th of December, please contact Amy Britton on 07797 769186 if you have any queries.



**Remember everyone is welcome to join!**



## SUPPORTING THE JERSEY MARATHON

The 2024 Standard Chartered Jersey Marathon took place on Sunday the 6th of October, with the runners route taking them directly past Ebenezer Methodist Church once again.

Ready and willing to show support and encouragement ahead of their Sunday service, were some of the congregation. Providing cheers and playing praise songs is something members of the congregation try to do each year with great feedback being received from the runners each time.



**LOOKING FOR A JOB  
WHERE YOU CAN  
MAKE A DIFFERENCE?**

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Call us on 01534 735472

Pop into our cafe in Minden Street, St Helier and chat with one of our team

Email us at [marine.oliveira@salvationarmy.org.uk](mailto:marine.oliveira@salvationarmy.org.uk)

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## **OUR FEAST OF TABERNACLES WEEKEND**

**At Bethlehem Methodist Church at St Mary**  
**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October to Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October.**

- **With Special Guests: JONATHAN CROFT**  
**(INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN EMBASSY OF JERUSALEM (UK branch))**
- **JOHN PERKINS - (Bearsden Baptist Church- Glasgow)**
- **Jewish Dance Presentations with Hatikva Dancers**
- **Worship led by James & Jane Horsfall & Jean Hall**
- **A 'Bring & Share' 'Welcoming meal together'**  
**at 6.30pm on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October.**
- **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October (10am – 5.30pm)**  
**(+ 'Bring & Share' Faith Lunch at 1pm)**
- **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October At 10.30am**
- **(+ 'Bring & Share' Faith Lunch at 1pm)**

**TEACHING ! WORSHIP ! HEBREW DANCING !**  
**FLAGS ! LUNCH FELLOWSHIP !!**



## CIRCUIT DIARY FOR THE NEXT MONTH:

### WEEKLY EVENTS:

- Monday: Drop in at St Aubin's Methodist Church - 1pm to 4pm
- Thursday: Community Coffee Morning at St Aubin's Methodist Church - 10am to 12.30pm
- Thursday: Community Coffee Morning at Georgetown Methodist Church - 10am to 12 noon

### SPECIAL EVENTS

- 11th & 12th October - Jersey Black Butter Making - St Martin's Methodist Church and Les Pres manor - From 9am each morning
- 12th October - Bethlehem Film Night - From 6pm
- 16th October - Circuit Men's Lunch at the Tipsy
- 18th October to 20th October - Feast of Tabernacles, various events taking place at Bethlehem Methodist Church
- 22nd October - Exploring the Bible with Dr Nola Webster at St Aubin's Methodist Church - 2.30pm to 6pm
- 24th October - Autumnal Concert Amity Singers - 7.30pm
- 5th of November - Messy Church at Philadelphie - 3.30pm to 5.30pm
- 8th November - Generations at Ebenezer from 2.15pm
- 8th of November - Remembrance event of words and music at St Martin's Methodist Church 7.30pm to 8.45pm
- 9th November - Bethlehem Film Night - From 6pm



Remember to also check out the Circuit calendar on the Circuit website for a collection of all events happening across the circuit. If you want to have an event added, just email the circuit administrator with details of the event

### ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN THE NEWSLETTER?

- The Circuit newsletter will be circulating monthly again, so please do get in touch if there are any events, stories or general information that you feel would be good to share with the rest of the circuit.
- Please email all details and images to [circuit.office.jsy@gmail.com](mailto:circuit.office.jsy@gmail.com) at any time during the month for inclusion to the next newsletter.

**THANK YOU FOR READING!**