
News from the NW Synod 2nd August 2017

Newsletter



1. **Ignite**
2. **New Chapel Flower Festival**
3. **Revd Kenneth Lee**
4. **CYDO Grand Tour**

1. **Ignite, Saturday 12 August 2017**



A day of teaching, worship and ministry, exploring the Holy Spirit's presence and power.

Saturday August 12th
2017

10.30am – 3.30pm

At Macedonia Church

21 Holt Lane, Failsworth, M35 9QG

The event is free but there will be an offering taken. Please bring a packed lunch.

For more details contact Rev. Sheila Coop on 07813 808642 or see the website www.macedoniaurc.co.uk



This event will be led by Rev Andrew and Sally Willett they serve, as URC ministers in London and also as an Evangelism and Renewal Advocate for GEAR.



DFB&I
The Dynamis Fellowship in Britain & Ireland
www.dunamis.org.uk

A ministry of



GEAR
Group for Evangelism and Renewal within the United Reformed Church
www.gear.org.uk

2. New Chapel

NEW CHAPEL URC

New Chapel Lane, Horwich, BL6 6QN

Flower Festival 8th 9th 10th September 2017

FLOWER FESTIVAL

300 years

Faith

Through

Flowers



Entrance £5.00 Children Under 12 Free

Friday 7pm to 9pm, Saturday 10am to 7pm

Sunday 11am to 7pm, Sunday

Service 10am to 11am all welcome

Refreshments available

(Supported by Grosvenor Windows)

3. Revd Kenneth Lee

It is with sadness that we inform you of the death of Revd Kenneth Lee who died on 23rd July. There will be a Thanksgiving Service on 7 August at 3.30 at Witney Congregational OX28 6JF. Refreshments will be served in the Church Hall afterwards.

4. CYDO Grand Tour

Sedbergh Holiday Club

Nestling at the very edge of our synod, in Cumbria Area, is Sedbergh. A lovely market town with a rich history and one primary school with 170 pupils currently enrolled.

Over a third of those children take advantage of the ecumenically-run summer play scheme which I visited last week. With volunteers from the United Reformed, Methodist and Anglican churches, the play scheme runs every morning for 5 days – and is free of charge to those attending.

There is craft, music, story telling, drama, games and, on the morning I visited, puppets! They were looking at the journeys of Paul. The children are split into age groups to do age-appropriate activities. There were lots of smiles and a great deal of laughter – with everyone joining in.

The photo is from the 'warming-up' session. I had to take the photo as it gave me an excuse to catch my breath!



Bamford Chapel and Norden URC Toddlers' Group

I was invited to visit the Toddlers' Group at Bamford Chapel and Norden United Reformed Church a while ago – but hadn't made it so, last Tuesday I thought I'd pop-in. "Better check it hasn't closed for the summer holidays" I thought. "Close for the summer holidays? Why would we do that?" I was told by Gillian who, along with plenty of other volunteers, runs the group. There is tea, toast (with jam spread right to the edges!) games, craft activities and plenty of ride on toys and safe play mats. All children are welcome – and come from wide and near to a safe space with lots going on. It was great to see children and parents talking, sharing and laughing – what church should always be like!

It would be great if you would invite me to visit your children/youth group. It's not an OFSTED inspection, honest, I'd just like to meet with the volunteers who are sharing God's love as part of the Church's mission - and have a cup of tea and a piece of toast (you don't HAVE to spread the jam right to the edges, honest).

Contact me on cydo@nwsynod.org.uk

Children and Youth Work Training, Manchester, 23rd September 2017, Nazarene Theological College, Didsbury

Bookings are now being taken for this day of workshops for those who work with children and young people. Details below. Guarantee your place and save £3 by booking early!

**NORTH WEST
CHRISTIAN
CHILDREN &
YOUTH WORK
TRAINING**
PREVIOUSLY HOT POT

EQUIPPING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE TO NAVIGATE THE WORLD OF TODAY

BOOK NOW!

MANCHESTER
23RD SEPTEMBER 2017
NAZARENE THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE
9AM - 4PM

£15 IF YOU BOOK BEFORE 4TH SEPTEMBER 2017 (£18 AFTER)
GROUP BOOKING DISCOUNT: 5 PLACES FOR THE COST OF 4

MORE INFO AND TO DISCUSS ANY FINANCIAL SUPPORT CONTACT: APIKE@NAZARENE.AC.UK

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CHURCH FOR A DIFFERENT WORLD

The Methodist Church

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THE PROGRAMME

KEY NOTE SPEAKER

JAMIE CUTTERIDGE

SALVATION ARMY'S YOUTH DISCIPLESHIP SPECIALIST

9.00am - Registration & Coffee

9.30am - Worship

9.45am - Keynote Speaker

10.30am - Choice of workshops

HELPING CHILDREN NAVIGATE CHANGE

#ISITOK? NAVIGATING HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS

11.20am - Coffee

11.50am - Choice of workshops

HELPING CHILDREN TO
FLOURISH WITHIN THE
PRESSURES OF TODAY

HELPING YOUNG PEOPLE
TO FLOURISH WITHIN THE
PRESSURES OF TODAY

A WORKSHOP WITH
JAMIE CUTTERIDGE

12.40pm - Lunch

1.40pm - Keynote Speaker

1.55pm - Choice of workshops

HELPING CHURCH NAVIGATE
CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

NAVIGATING THE VIRTUAL
WORLD THROUGH GAMING

LISTENING WELL

2.50pm - Choice of workshops

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SPEAKING WELL

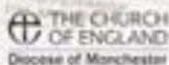
3.40pm - Keynote Speaker

4.00pm - Close

A Christian Book Shop will be at the event throughout the day.

TO BOOK:

[HTTPS://WWW.EVENTBRITE.CO.UK/O/NORTH-WEST-TRAINING-HUB-10759159583](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/north-west-training-hub-10759159583)



The Methodist Church



United Reformed Church Youth Assembly, 2018

The Youth Assembly has been steadily growing over the last few years and is a place where the young people in our denomination (14-25 years) can meet together to share worship, conversation, debate and fun.

North Western Synod will pay for the conference fees of 3 young people from each Area (or a pro rata portion if there are more than three young people from an Area) provided they book before the first deadline (**09/11/2017**). Young people can now register their interest for the 2018 conference. The details are here...

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The United Reformed Church

Youth Assembly 2018

Pilgrimage: Are we there yet?

19 to 21 January 2018
Whitemoor Lakes, Alrewas, Staffs

A weekend to focus on Jesus, to share in community with other young people, and to explore what it means to be church together.

Cost before 9 November: £110
Cost on or after 9 November: £140
Age: Year 10/S3 to 25 years (inclusive)
Financial help available if needed

The United Reformed Church Youth

Book your place at: www.urc.org.uk/urcya
before 1 January 2018

or contact the Children's & Youth Office for a booking form

Post: Children's & Youth Office, United Reformed Church, 86 Tavistock Place, London WC1H 9RT
Tel: 020 7916 8683
Email: children.youth@urc.org.uk

Further information will be sent once your booking form has been received.

If you or your group need a leader to accompany you, please get in touch with the Children's & Youth Office on 020 7916 8683 or children.youth@urc.org.uk

If financial help is needed please contact the Children's & Youth Office.

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