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Prayers

We ask you to remember in your prayers this week the worship, work and witness of the congregation at **Drybrook**.

Circuit Dates, Event & Place: In Brief (further details on each below)

When		Where
Thursday 26 September 7.15pm	The Revelation of John – A Bible Study (every Thursday for 12 weeks)	Bailey Lane End Chapel
Friday 27 September	Closing date for preaching availability for Winter Quarter Preaching Plan	Circuit Office
Saturday 28 September 5pm	Concert by The Blackheath Piano Trio	Dursley Methodist Church
Saturday 28 September 7.30pm	Swindon Male Voice Choir	Cirencester, Ashcroft Church
Monday 30 September 6.30pm – 9.30pm	Refresher Safeguarding Course	St. Mark's Methodist Church, Cheltenham
Tuesday 8 October 10.30 - 12.00	SPECTRUM	Christchurch Abbeydale
Wednesday 9 October 7.30pm	Concert by Gloucester Brass	Lonsdale Road Methodist Church
Sunday 13 October 6pm	'Bethesda at Six' concert series	Bethesda Methodist Church, Cheltenham
Saturday 26 October 10am – 3pm	Ministry of Healing	Hucclecote Methodist Church
Saturday 9 November 10am – 12noon	Autumn Fayre	Lonsdale Road Methodist Church
Saturday 16 November 10am – 3pm	Advanced (Leadership) Safeguarding Module	Churchdown Methodist Church

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The Superintendent's Lunch Club

12.30, generally held on a Thursday. All welcome to sit alongside, eat and chat

Thursday 26 September	The Belfry, Broad Street, Littledean, Cinderford, GL14 3JS
Thursday 17 October	The Whitminster Inn, Whitminster
Wednesday 6 November <i>NB –begins at 12.15pm</i>	Cirencester Ashcroft Lunch Club, Cirencester Ashcroft Church
Thursday 14 November	The Moon Under Water, Cheltenham

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News....

Death of a Local Preacher

It is with sad regret that we announce the death of Local Preacher Lin Lindsay-Smith, who passed away on Sunday 15 September. A Local Preacher for many years he was well-known and respected, particularly in the Forest of Dean area. Earlier this year Lin moved into residential care to be nearer his son and family in Swadlincote. Lin will be brought back to the Forest for his funeral at Aylburton Methodist Church on

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Tuesday 15 October at 12 noon, followed by a private burial service for family members. Everyone is welcome to attend the service at Aylburton Church. We give thanks for his life and his witness and worship as a Local Preacher. Please hold his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

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Winter 2019 Preaching Plan – Final Reminder!

The deadline for submission of all preaching availability for the forthcoming Winter Quarter is **Friday 27 September**. Please can all preachers make sure their availability/unavailability is recorded on Chrestos by this date.

Louise Hebborn, Circuit Office

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Action for Children Gloucester Support Group

Would you be able to spare an hour of your time to help Action for Children? The Gloucester Support Group are running two fundraising events: a store collection at Morrisons, Abbeydale on Friday 25 October, and the car park at Rikenel, Gloucester on Saturday 16 November. In each case the more collectors we have, the longer we can carry on and the more money we can raise. If you might be able to help, please contact Peter Staite (01452 548169) for more details.

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Dates for the Diary....

The Revelation of John – A Bible Study Thursdays from 26 September, 7.15pm Bailey Lane End Chapel

Led by Revd Denise Hargreaves, this is open to anyone and everyone. Accompanied by lush biscuits, tea and coffee – go on, be adventurous!

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Concert by The Blackheath Piano Trio Saturday 28 September, 5pm Dursley Methodist Church

The Blackheath Piano Trio are from London and visit Dursley Methodist Church every two years. This time they will be performing Beethoven Piano Trio IV Opus 11 and Mendelssohn Piano Trio in D Minor Opus 49. Tickets are available on the door at £10 and include soft drinks and canapes in the interval.

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Swindon Male Voice Choir Saturday 28 September, 7.30pm Cirencester, Ashcroft Church

Tickets are £8 and available from the Cirencester Visitor Information Centre, by email at office@ashcroftchurch.org.uk, by calling Anne on 01285 860294 and on the door.

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Refresher Safeguarding Course Monday 30 September, 6.30pm – 9.30pm St. Mark's Methodist Church, Cheltenham

For those volunteers who attended Foundation training 4 years ago (volunteers must receive safeguarding training every 4 years!). If you wish to book a place, please contact Peter at peter@familygardner.plus.com

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SPECTRUM Tuesday 8 October, 10.30 - 12.00 (refreshments from 10am) Christchurch Abbeydale

The Circuit study group SPECTRUM, (a Methodist based movement dedicated to exploring the Christian Faith in depth) which meets on the second Tuesday of the month, October to March, at Christchurch, Abbeydale, Gloucester, extends a warm welcome to all ministers and lay people at the beginning of a new

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session. The theme is 'Culture and Communication' based on this year's Spectrum Conference in May at Willersley Castle where the speakers were Mrs Christine Kinch, an experienced journalist, and Rev'd Dr Gary Hall, tutor at the Queen's Foundation, who helped members to explore the issues involved. The first meeting will be led by Rev Tony Barnes and is entitled 'What are we saying?'. For further information please contact Rev Vernon Godden on 01452- 535256. (Christchurch is easily accessed and has ample parking). More information on SPECTRUM together with information on the 2020 Conference, can be found in the attached leaflets.

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Concert by Gloucester Brass
Wednesday 9 October, 7.30pm
Lonsdale Road Methodist Church

This concert is in aid of the National Star College; Lonsdale's Wednesday group's charity of the year. Tickets £6 to include refreshments, available on the door and from David and Sue Bayley on 01452 501796 or by email at teepookana@tiscali.co.uk. There will also be a raffle and Bring and Buy table.

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God in Love Unites Us – A Discussion on the Conference report
Saturday 12 October, 10-11.30am (coffee from 9.30am)
Cinderford Methodist Church

Rev Dr Jonathan Pye will be facilitating a discussion about the recently published Conference Report - God in Love Unites Us - produced by the Marriage and Relationships Taskgroup. This will be an opportunity for listening, sharing and asking questions. At the end of the morning a soup and roll lunch will be provided. Numbers are always helpful so if you would like to stay for lunch please email Denise dkah26@gmail.com.

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'Bethesda at Six' concert series
Sunday 13 October, 6pm
Bethesda Methodist Church, Cheltenham

This evening will include performances from Hannah Davey (soprano), John Stillman (piano) and James Agg (bass) and will include jazz standards and spirituals. Light refreshments will be available in the interval.

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Ministry of Healing
Saturday 26 October, 10am – 3pm
Hucclecote Methodist Church

Revd Martin Turner will lead this event. More information will be made available nearer the time.

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Autumn Fayre
Saturday 9 November, 10am – 12noon
Lonsdale Road Methodist Church

You are invited to the Autumn Fayre, with the theme 'All that Jazz' and which will be opened by Revd John Hellyer.

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Advanced (Leadership) Safeguarding Module
Saturday 16 November, 10am – 3pm
Churchdown Methodist Church

For Ministers, Supernumerary Ministers, Local Preachers, Worship Leaders, Church Safeguarding Co-ordinators. If you wish to book a place, please book online at www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/advanced-module-safeguarding-training-tickets-66181278987?aff=ebapi.

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