



Gloucestershire Methodist Circuit Calendar

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World Day of Prayer

Friday 1st March 2024 (all day event)

World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice.

For more information visit the <https://www.wwdp.org.uk/2024-theme-and-country-palestine/>



Practical Christian Mysticism

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Chrestos



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Papers for Circuit Assembly

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Last Taboo – Conversations on Death & Dying

Wednesday 6th March 2024 @ 10:00am
Holy Trinity LEP, Broad Croft, Bradley Stoke

A free course all about death and dying, developed by Methodist Homes for the Aged (MHA), and suitable for people of all faith and no faith. Everyone will die. But how do we help people to think about, and plan for, their death? This practical course will help you grow in confidence around talking with people at all ages about death and dying. The course will be held at Holy Trinity LEP, Broad Croft, Bradley Stoke.

Anyone can benefit from attending this training, and it's suitable for people of all faiths and none, but we think the following groups will find this course useful:

Ministers, Lay Employees, Chaplains, Local Preachers/Worship Leaders, Care home workers (any and all – even the gardener can have conversations with residents about death etc.), Supported living staff, Nurses / doctors in your congregation, Paid or unpaid carers of folks living in family homes

To book a place, please visit

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-last-taboo-conversations-on-death-dying-registration-790918868627?aff=oddtcreator>



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Presbyteral Session of Synod

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Wiltshire United Circuit



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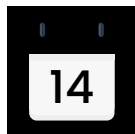
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Foundation Training

Saturday 16th March 2024 @ 10:00am
Bethesda Methodist Church

This training course has been arranged for all volunteers who need to attend Foundation Training.

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Circuit Assembly

Sunday 17th March 2024 @ 3:00pm
St Mark's Methodist Church



Circuit Service (following Assembly)

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Black Live Matter as an Expression of Black Theology

Wednesday 20th March 2024 @ 10:00am
The Ammerdown Centre, Ammerdown Park, Radstock

Don't miss this amazing opportunity to meet Professor Reddie as he leads a participative, inclusive and humorous conference/workshop at Ammerdown. Anthony is internationally recognised as one of the top academics in the field of racial justice. He is a Methodist theologian and Oxford University professor.

The day-long event includes morning coffee, a two-course lunch and afternoon tea. Only £40 per person. Please book online at <https://www.ammerdown.org/WhatsOn/1139-/Black-Lives-Matter-as-an-Expression-of-Black-Theology> or contact Ammerdown (quoting "Anthony Reddie conference, March 2024"). E: admin@ammerdown.org, T: 01761 433709



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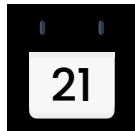
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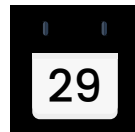
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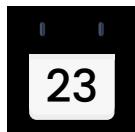
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Circuit Executive
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Zoom

The Circuit Executive meeting will be held via Zoom



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Churchdown Methodist Church

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Local Preachers' & Worship Leaders' Meeting

Wednesday 5th June 2024 @ 7:30pm
Bishop's Cleeve Methodist Church

This meeting will be held in person

Papers will be sent by Adele Garner, Secretary to the Meeting



Planning Closes (Autumn 2024)

Thursday 6th June 2024 @ 9:00am
Chrestos



Section Plan Opens (Autumn 2024)

Monday 10th June 2024 @ 9:00am
Chrestos



Youthscape Essentials Training

Thursday 13th June 2024 @ 6:30pm
Online

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Section Plan Closes (Autumn 2024)

Monday 17th June 2024 @ 9:00am
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Practical Christian Mysticism

Saturday 6th July 2024 @ 10:30am
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Circuit Farewell Service

Sunday 21st July 2024 @ 3:00pm
Bethesda Methodist Church

Everyone is invited to come to the Circuit Farewell Service for Revds John Hellyer; Circuit Superintendent and Minister for St John's and Tibberton churches, and Phil Summers; Minister for Cam, Dursley and Wotton under Edge churches.



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Practical Christian Mysticism

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Youthscape Essentials Training

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