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PRAYER POINT

Circuit Facebook Prayer of the Week (Katie Norman)

Compassionate Lord, hear our prayers
for people leaving everything behind to flee to safety,
for those who have lost loved ones,
for families separated and hurting,
and for those fighting for justice and peace.
Lord, bless your people with hope and resilience
we pray

Methodist Church Prayer Handbook, Day 8

Praying with Christians in Kenya (including Tanzania and Uganda) and Rwanda and the Methodist Church in Wales

Christians Together in Jersey – Mutual Intercessions

This month: all involved in the hospitality industry

This week: the Residents and staff at Methodist Homes for the Aged, Stuart Court and Maison la Corderie, and the ministry of Rev Danny and Deacon Sally

EASTER OFFERING



Gentle reminder: the service will be held at the Biarritz Hotel on Wednesday 18 May, starting at 12.00pm and followed by lunch at 1.00pm: carvery, dessert and coffee, £20. The guest speaker is Deacon Sally Wheadon.

To book your place at the lunch, please contact Audrey Tupper, Circuit Administrator on circuit.office.jsy@gmail.com or 07797 847604 by **Friday 13 May at the latest.**

VISIT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE METHODIST CONFERENCE

On her first morning on the Island, Jean Treleven gave Rev Sonia a rich historical introduction to St Aubin, St Helier and the development of the Jersey Circuit and she was particularly interested in John Wesley's visit here in 1787. Armed with such background, Rev Sonia gave a sparkling interview to Matthew Price at BBC Radio Jersey (including a short piece on television), which you can hear on [BBC Sounds](#) – just slide along to 1:05:00.



With further one-to-one tutoring from Jean, Rev Sonia introduced herself at the Circuit service at St Martin's in Jèrriais, winning dropped jaws from the congregation!



St Martin's were delighted to host the united service and to have a well filled church and a solid volume of hymn singing. Rev Sonia's well crafted and heartfelt sermon was much appreciated.



It was lovely to share in the thanks and congratulations to four of our long serving Local Preachers:

Mrs Enid Quenault
Dr Nola Webster (60 years)
Mrs Pat Tourtel (40 years) and
Mr Stephen Higginson (25 years)
and to encourage with our congratulations Mrs Lou Hickling, an up and coming Worship Leader.

We are also enormously grateful to Rev Danny and Deacon Sally for all their hard work in arranging this time of praise and worship. It was super to see the children and carers working hard on their Easter themed crafts which they were able to present to us all at the end of the service.

You can also listen to Enid's and Nola's interview with BBC Radio Jersey on [BBC Sounds](#) - and slide along to 1:38:25

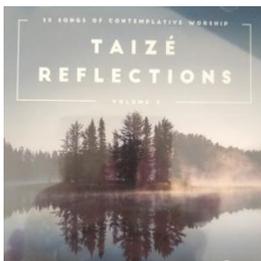
LONG SERVICE AWARDS TO LOCAL PREACHERS



THE SANCTUARY – BIARRITZ HOTEL



A store room at the hotel has been repurposed to create a new space for morning prayers and where visitors can go to pause for thought at any time of the day. The project was masterminded by Cathy Morling and Rosemary Parker and great attention has been paid to the reading materials (from the Bible Society), CDs, furnishings, lighting, colour scheme and artwork. We were delighted that Rev Sonia was able to bless the room.



KAIROS ARTS



Rev Sonia was inspired by the mission of Kairos Arts, based at Ruby Ferguson House at the back of the SHMC. Naomi Bidmead described the work being done to restore hope, dignity and self-worth – either through bespoke therapeutic arts workshops locally or the sale of ethical, handmade products helping artisans affected by poverty, exploitation, human trafficking and prostitution in India and Bolivia.



Rev Sonia clearly enjoyed rummaging through the beautiful new stock including bags for life, baby changing mats, yoga mat bags, purses, cushions, jewellery (all unique designs) and soaps etc. On her return to the UK she was planning to purchase some items online at <https://www.kairosarts.org/shop>

OUT AND ABOUT



Finally she was charmed by the Jersey cows (including a day old calf) at organic Woodlands Farm, followed by lunch at the [Salvation Army café](#) – a hidden gem – and a visit to Government House with Rev Danny.

Rev Sonia wished to *“convey her deep appreciation to the Jersey Circuit for making her trip so memorable.”*

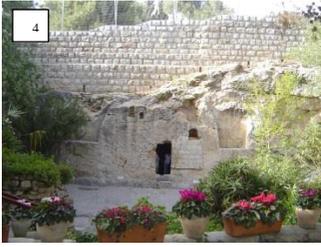
VISIT TO THE HOLY LAND

Following their recent trip to the Holy Land, Dianne Huddlestone and others will be sharing photos and commentary (below) with us over the coming weeks. If their story whets your appetite, do contact Nola Webster who will be leading a group next year.

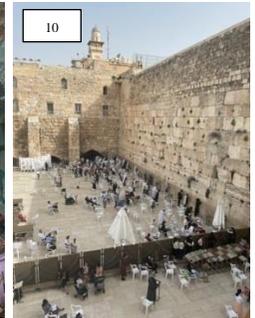
We were nineteen in number – 2 from England, 3 from Scotland (including John Perkins!) and 14 from various churches in Jersey. We had a wonderful orthodox Jewish guide called Yaakov, who had made aliyah to Israel approximately 30 years ago. We spent 5 days in Jerusalem and then moved on to Tiberias in Galilee for the next 5 days. As Israel had only recently opened up to tourists, we were blessed with very few crowds and, quite often, had places to ourselves, which is unprecedented and will probably never be repeated!



1. The Temple Mount viewed from the Mount of Olives, showing the Dome of the Rock.
2. View of the Temple Mount from inside the Chapel of Dominus Flevit. This was where Jesus wept over the city of Jerusalem. Here we were privileged to sing before another group came in.
3. Our guide, Yaakov, explaining the significance of the graves on Mount Herzl. There is a section devoted to those members of the Israel Defense Force who fell in the line of duty. It was very moving to note the young age of many of those who died in recent conflicts.



4. The Garden Tomb, a beautiful quiet oasis in the heart of Jerusalem.
5. The ladies at the Western Wall
6. A view of the rooftops of Jerusalem from the roof of the Austrian Hospice, a beautiful guest house and restaurant in the heart of the Old City



7. On Temple Mount. The nearest to the 'Holy of Holies' that Jews are permitted to go. We were very privileged to be there with our Jewish guide and pray discreetly.
8. Typical scene in the Arab sector
9. A picturesque street in the Old City
10. The men's section of the Western Wall



REV JENNY – METHODIST PODCAST



In this week's [Methodist Podcast](#) on the environment, ethics and personal responsibility, Rev Jenny talks with friends and family about the impact the choices we make each day have on the planet.

MARY JONES CHALLENGE FOR THE BIBLE SOCIETY

On May Bank Holiday Monday, Marcia Lee, Anna George, Cathy & Tony Morling and Neil Fauvel completed this 26 mile walk, with Catherine Baudains and Ali Connan joining them for 11 miles. There were other walkers too, from 8 different churches in total – a great celebration of unity! We are invited around the Circuit and Christians Together in Jersey to make donations, if we would like to. The youngest was 11 and a number of walkers were in their 60s.



They are raising funds for Bible Society's ongoing mission work with Syrian refugees: Bible-based trauma healing work, Bibles for those who are asking and Bible stories for children who are invited to Bible clubs in local churches. Donations can be sent to Janet Moon, 6 Dunedin Farm, Bellozanne Road, St Helier, JE2 3SB or contact cathy.morling@biblesociety.org.uk.

HOLMCHASE SINGERS

PLATINUM JUBILEE CAKE & CONCERT



SATURDAY 21ST MAY
2.30 - 4.30pm

Georgetown Methodist Church
Afternoon teas - raffle stall

(Retiring collection in aid of Church Redecoration)





Celebrate the Platinum Jubilee!

Community Coffee Morning

Georgetown Methodist Church

Thursday 9 June, 10.00am-12.00pm

Bring along your royal memorabilia and tiaras!



Sunday May 22nd 2022 @ 6.00pm

Music : Vini Jones & Band



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ROLLING DIARY

Wednesday 18 May, 12.00pm (service)

- Easter Offering - Biarritz Hotel followed by a carvery lunch 1.00pm

Saturday 21 May, 2.30-4.30pm

- Holmchase Singers, Georgetown - Cake and concert

Sunday 22 May, 6.00pm

- New Song, SHMC with Vini Jones and Band

Tuesday 24 May, 7.00pm

- Harmonious Friends and 16th St Peter's Guides – evening of entertainment and music, St Aubin's Church

Thursday 9 June, 10.30am

- Georgetown – Jubilee coffee morning,

Thursday 16 June, 7.30pm

- Georgetown Church Anniversary Concert - Les Conteurs Choir and Rebecca Arthur (flute)

Wednesday 20 July, 1.00pm

- Save the date - lunch at the Biarritz for the gentlemen in the Circuit



St Aubin's Church Easter Cross

CARTOON CHURCH

The Collection – what should you put in?

