



The Methodist Church Northampton District

Dear Friends, Welcome to the Northampton Methodist District fortnightly newsletter! Here are some interesting and some exciting news and events for you. As always if you would like contribute to this newsletter, please email our new Digital Enabler :- <mailto:digital@northamptonmethodistdistrict.org.uk>

The Overstone Project

We were blessed in many ways in Overstone in 2024. New families continue to move into the area, finding a community that is growing in cohesion and solidarity. Many have found that our bi-weekly walking group has been a place to meet people, find community and a sense of belonging.

In 2025, we are starting Discipleship Groups in Overstone, before this happens, we ask that you join with us in prayer during January and February. We sincerely hope that you will agree with us as we pray over the coming weeks. Thank you!



**OVER JANUARY AND
FEBRUARY WE WILL BE PRAYING FOR
THE START OF DISCIPLESHIP
GROUPS IN OVERSTONE.
WILL YOU PRAY WITH US OVER THE
COMING WEEKS?**

2025 TRAINING DATES FOR YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

This online course, led by Lynne Norman from the Methodist Children, Youth and Family Team and James Devenish from the Methodist Learning Network, is for those in the Methodist Church (paid or volunteer) who work with or support young people aged 8-18. It will teach you the skills and confidence to spot the signs of mental health issues in a young person, offer first aid and guide them towards the support they need. In doing so, you can speed up a young person's recovery and stop a mental health issue from getting worse.

In 2025 there are three opportunities to attend this training. Please note, participants will need to attend all sessions to complete the

course and receive certification.

Course 1 (four sessions): Tuesday 25 February, Thursday 27 February, Tuesday 4 March, Thursday 6 March 2025 (all sessions online, 9.30am – 1pm).

[Find out more and book here.](#)

Course 2 (four sessions): Tuesday 1, Thursday 3, Tuesday 8, Thursday 10 July 2025 (all sessions online, 9.30am – 1pm).

[Find out more and book here.](#)

Course 3 (eight sessions): Monday 3, Thursday 6, Monday 10, Thursday 13, Monday 17, Thursday 20, Monday 24, Thursday 27 November 2025 (all sessions online 6.30pm – 8.30pm).

[Find out more and book here.](#)

The cost for the training is £37, this covers the price of the course materials (which will be posted to your home address) and the Eventbrite fees. This training has a recommended retail price of £300 and we are offering it for a heavily subsidised price to those working for the Methodist Church.

If you have any questions about the training, please contact Lynne Norman : – normanl@methodistchurch.org.uk

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JUST RELEASED! 2025 TRAINING DATES FOR YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

MWiB residential conference 2025: Swanwick Conference

You're invite to join the Methodist Women in Britain (MWiB) Swanwick Conference that will be at The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Derbyshire with keynote speaker Rev Dr Sonia Hicks (President of Methodist Conference 2021-2022)

this little light of mine ...

Rev. Dr. Sonia Hicks draws on her own experience as a Black woman Presbyterian as she speaks about the difficulty of letting the light of Christ shine brightly but also challenges us not to allow that light to go out no matter what the cost.

Come and be challenged and encouraged.

Friday 4th to Sunday 6th April 2025

at The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Derbyshire

with keynote speaker

Rev Dr Sonia Hicks

(President of Methodist Conference 2021-2022)

plus worship, workshops, fellowship & friendship

Cost for the weekend £200 (Bursary's & District help available)

(Booking opens mwiw.org.uk 2nd January 2025)

Multiplying Missionary Disciples

Church is seeking innovation in spiritual formation and disciple-making – disciples that make disciples, growth that multiplies. How do we do this well?

CCX is at the forefront of planting and growing new worshipping communities that prioritise reaching new people and making new disciples. At Multiply 2025, we will immerse you in stories of creativity and renewal from across the Church, equipping you with lessons from the latest research and insights from frontline practitioners including Gerald Griffin from Bridgetown Church Portland, USA, sharing tools that can shape our churches for the spiritual formation of missionary disciples.

Come and connect with a growing community of diverse practitioners, rekindling our imaginations and creativity with all God is

doing across his Church.

Join us in Leeds on 17 June, Birmingham on 18 June and London on 19 June.

[Book your place here](#)



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