



## FREE Books!

It's fact not widely known that for many years there has been a circuit reference library at Christchurch. Maybe at one time it served a purpose but nowadays, maybe because research via the Internet is so common, it is hardly ever used.

The point has been reached when the room is needed for other purposes so the Circuit Leadership Team has agreed to dispose of all the books.....Free to good homes!

Many of the books are old/out of print, but others are relatively current. There are concordance galore, various Bible translations, biographies, hymn/song & prayer books, worship resources.....

Come and see if there's anything you would find useful.

The books will be available to view in the Lower Hall at Christchurch on Saturday 4th March from 10:00am to 3:00pm

Any remaining unclaimed will be disposed of responsibly.

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## Violence at the Circuit Service

The Circuit Service at Christchurch 6:00pm on the 12th of February, will tackle the difficult issue of the violence in the Old Testament Stories, and reflections on violence in the world today.

Led by Rob Hilton with a few reflections from Sri Lanka too!

All are welcome

## Safeguarding Training Calendar

If you work with children, young people, or adults who may be vulnerable, are a Pastoral Visitor or have a role in church designated to require Safeguarding training, then one of these sessions is for you. For people new in role, or those who have not previously done the Creating Safer Space Foundation Module, either the March or the July session is for you.

For those who have previously done the Foundation Module, we intend to roll out opportunities for refresher training over the next couple of years. The calendar below provides many choices of date for this year. Much has happened nationally since the training framework first began to be implemented, and it is important to ensure that our awareness and practice are kept up to date in line with recent recommendations. Book your place with our administrator Mike Fawcett for whichever session is appropriate for you.

### Calendar of training dates:

Saturday 18th March: Foundation Module Christchurch Ilkley. Come for breakfast at 8:30am for 9:00am start. finishes at 11:30am Leaders Revd Rob Hilton and Viv Pitts

Saturday April 8th 9:30am-12:00pm Refresher training—Burley in Wharfedale

May 13th Yeadon—Refresher training

Saturday June 24th Christchurch Ilkley—Refresher training

July (date TBC) Otley—Foundation Module

Viewpoint is your monthly look ahead to see what is happening across the circuit.

If you have special services, fundraising events, social gatherings coming up, or perhaps you have news that you'd like to share, please let us know!

# February 2017

## Norwood - A letter from Brenda

As some of you may be aware, I will be leaving my post as Warden at Norwood Chapel and Retreat Centre on 2nd February, after 2 years in the post. I would like to take this opportunity to say how much I have enjoyed being involved in the work of the Methodist Church in this Circuit and how much I appreciate the way that I have been made welcome and very much a part of things right from the start.

I have met some lovely people both within these churches and through the many and varied groups using the Retreat Centre - one particular aspect of the role I will greatly miss. I feel blessed to have had the opportunity discover the 'hidden treasure' that is 'Nor'ud' and I hope and pray that those coming through it's doors will continue to be blessed by this very special place, and that it will continue to develop and reach it's potential in the mission of the Church.

Please see below and consider prayerfully if you could be part of this.

### Norwood needs YOU!! - Can you lend a helping hand?

A bank of volunteers are urgently required over the spring/summer period to provide cover until a new warden is appointed.

This would involve: being available to open the centre for groups who are already booked in. To act as a contact during bookings in case of any problems and to close up when groups leave. These duties can be carried out by different people, or can be done by the same person. If enough people volunteer, it will reduce the 'workload'.

Additionally, a Co-ordinator is required during this time to oversee the rota of volunteers and match up what they can offer to the days when help is needed.

Rev Rick Ormrod is act as co-ordinator and point of contact for those who feel inspired to volunteer, or for those who would like to find out more about what is required. Please e-mail Rick at: [ormrod@hotmail.com](mailto:ormrod@hotmail.com), alternatively please leave a message on the Norwood landline no; 01943 464458 and someone will get back to you.

N.B. Any expenditure incurred in the course of carrying out volunteer duties, i.e petrol expenses would be reimbursed.

## Bramhope

Exceptional multi-instrumentalist Simeon Wood brings his "Wonderful" tour to Bramhope Methodist Church on Saturday 25th March at 7:30pm

Simeon's musical creativity is central to what can be both poignant and just plain funny. He will take you on a journey playing several instruments and performing music from a wide variety of styles.

For tickets (£10) please call: 0113 2672906

Brenda

## The Power & the Story Training Days

...for Preachers (and any other interested people!)

### Power and the Story - Part 3 - Kings and Prophets (Kings 1 and 2 to Zechariah)

When: Saturday March 11th, Where: Christchurch, The Grove, Ilkley

Want to know more about the Old Testament? Our final session promises to be another fascinating and enlightening session! Our leader will be Revd Dr Richard Briggs, Lecturer in Old Testament and Director of Biblical Studies at Cranmer Hall, St John's College, Durham.

All sessions are 10.00 for 10.30 to 4.00pm. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be supplied.

Course fee £5 per session, payable on the day.

### The Power & the Story Lectionary for February

Date	Subject	OT	Gospel
5 <sup>th</sup> February 2017	Birth & Call of Samuel	1 Samuel 1 & 3	Mark 9: 14-29
12 <sup>th</sup> February 2017	Israel Asks for a King	1 Samuel 10-12	Luke 22: 24-30
19 <sup>th</sup> February 2017	David & Goliath	1 Samuel 17	Mark 9: 14-29
26 <sup>th</sup> February 2017	Promise & Failure	2 Samuel 7, 11 & 12	Matt 26:31-35, 69-75

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