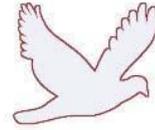




Borders Mission Circuit



The **Methodist** Church 

Circuit Notices May 2020

Preaching Plan June, July August

Unfortunately, it is highly unlikely that church services will resume in the near future, therefore, we do not intend to publish a plan for the next quarter, unless the situation of Covid 19 changes dramatically. The situation is constantly being reviewed and we will contact Local Preachers and liaise with churches when we are in a position to commence drafting the September, October and November plan.

Streamed/Zoom Services

This is proving to be a very successful way in keeping our churches connected, however, we must also remember that many of our members do not have access to the internet. You can join in the Zoom Worship by telephone, as many of our members have done over the last 3 weeks. Whilst we anticipated that this would be a temporary measure it now looks certain that this will be continuing for the foreseeable future. Streamed/Zoom services are an act of Worship and as such are subject to the doctrines and disciplines of the Methodist Church. Acts of Worship within the Circuit take place as directed by the Superintendent Minister. Therefore, if you wish to hold a service by streaming or Zoom please contact your church Minister who will appoint a suitable Local Preacher or Minister to enable the Worship.

Fellowship Meetings

If fellowship or Bible study groups are taking place by Zoom or telephone conference, please let your Minister know.

Church Finances

The current situation is going to stretch our finances. It would help tremendously if church members made their offering by standing order. We know that many of those who use weekly envelopes are continuing to save their offering and, in some churches have managed to get them to the treasurer. We advise treasurers to be vigilant if taking large amounts of cash to pay into banks.

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Church Buildings

We have already circulated some information on Legionella, which unfortunately is a threat to our buildings whilst unoccupied. Further information will be circulated to property stewards in the near future, as when the lockdown is lifted, we can't just go back into our churches without a deep clean to ensure a safe environment in which to Worship and continue our mission.

Everyone is doing a fantastic job in keeping the Circuit connected. Please take care, stay safe and Trust in the Lord.

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