



September 2016 Newsletter



Jane and Andrew hosted a **Mission Possible Plant Sale** and the annual church barbecue in their beautiful garden at Milner Bank, Newsholme.

Pastoral Letter



Dear Friends,

Over the last 2 weeks, Olympic fever has held the nation and our household firmly its grip. And what a games it has turned out to be. Expectations of gold medals have been surpassed and several surprise winners have touched our hearts. There have been many moments which have made us cheer and, as a nation, rise to our feet.

For me the most moving moment came when Nick Skelton, rode his way into the record books. At the age of 58, he competed in his seventh Olympic Games. In a flawless performance, the man who made his Olympic debut before Laura Trott, Jack Laugher or Adam Peaty were born, became the first Briton ever to top the podium in this discipline.

As the result became clear, in the practice area, his support team, including the groom who has worked with him for 31 years, danced an impromptu samba of celebration. In the stands, the GB supporters flourished their union flags in delight. And everywhere across Britain the middle-aged suddenly found an extra spring in their step as they cherished the performance of Rio's golden oldie.

What an inspiration for those of us who are in our golden years and beyond; don't ever give up on your dreams! Nick Skelton, the very embodiment of the Olympic ideal: Citius, Altius, Fortius, "Faster, Higher, Stronger".

In the New Testament, St Paul doesn't seem much of a sporting type. Yet when he's writing to the Corinthian Christians he uses the self-discipline of the athlete as a metaphor for the Christian life. He also points out that, at the Games, only one runner can win the prize but there's no restriction on rewards for those who run with faith and perseverance.

So here we are at the beginning of another connexional year. There may be a few obstacles to overcome but let us keep on following the dream of being the church that God wants us to be. A team where all can find a place, where one another's gifts and talents are celebrated. A team that watches out for even the slowest of its members and a team that keeps its eyes fixed on the prize - Jesus.

Here are some words to spur us on...

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. Hebrew 12 v 1-2



Your fellow,
golden team-mate,
Rosemary X

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A warm welcome to Rosemary & Jo!

Dear new friends of Oakworth Methodist Church,

Here we are at the start of another year in the life of the Methodist Church and it is all change once again. I must admit that the older I get the more I wish for a quiet, settled life, but it is not to be! And let's face it, Jesus never promised his followers an easy life.

So my new friends, we are starting this New Year together and I am very much looking forward to spending the next year with you as you move towards the realisation of your wonderful dream. I have the greatest admiration for you as you have already made amazing progress. I am astounded at the way the fund raising is going and I applaud your vision, determination and hard work. It will be a privilege to be your minister for the coming year.

Just a little Nash background.

I am married to Paul and we have one son, Josh, who is experiencing his very own new beginning as he moves to Swansea to start a new job. We share our home with 2 Golden Retrievers, Lucy and Willow and a Staffy/Jack Russell cross named Rosie ... I know, but she had that name before she came to us. Paul works for Asda in Keighley, so if you are ever wandering around the aisles at 3am you may well see him. We have been in the Ministry since 1999 and have served in both the Birmingham and Darlington districts. My claim to fame is that every one of my Chairs of District have gone on to become President to the Methodist Church!

Well that's enough for now.

I look forward to meeting up with you all, but just before I finish, a plea...

I have a terrible memory for names, so please do keep telling me who you are, and don't be offended if I forget.

Every blessing,

Rosemary X



We look forward to getting to know you both and working with you!

Hi,
My name is Joanne Dolman

and I am the new Circuit Youth, Children and Family worker.

I originate from Bath, from a large family.

I have worked a lot with children, as a Nursery nurse, a Teachers' Assistant with special needs children and volunteering at an orphanage in Kenya.

At my last church, Halmer End Methodist in Staffordshire, I helped with all children's activities, including Brownies, the youth club and toddler group. I was a church steward, a Messy Church Leader and a church godparent.

I have an BA honours degree in Mission and Ministry.

Interesting fact: I skydived from 10,000 feet to raise funds for Parkinson's.

I am looking forward to becoming part of the team and community.

Jo



News Snippets

A big thank you from Sandie

I am so grateful for all your kind words, good wishes, cards & generous gift. It was lovely to see those of you who could make it to the Farewell Service; that was very special for me.

Many of you will know that we've had an extension built on to Phil's cottage in Emley, plus we are re-furbishing other rooms, so your gift of vouchers is really appreciated. We shall probably put them towards a new fridge/freezer, as our freezer is too small. We're surrounded by fields with blackberry hedges but can't pick many at the moment.

The building work and plastering was done before we moved but there's still loads to be done. So I have had a constant trail of electricians, joiners, plumbers and builders outside on patio and drive. My main task, as you can imagine, is to provide plenty of tea and coffee! Defeated today, though as have plumbers in who keep turning the water off with no warning. Could have done with a cup of tea myself an hour ago!

Have been to the village chapel and they've made me very welcome.

Yesterday I went for my first yoga class in about 7 years. The instructor assured us that nothing should hurt, but I certainly know about it today!!

You remain in my thoughts and prayers,

Love
Sandie



Louise welcomed in new Circuit

A few friends from Oakworth and the Circuit went to Accrington to share in Louise' Welcome Service last week. She is now looking forward to her new role as Probationer Minister in the West Pennine Moors Circuit.



Wednesday Club

In June, we had a quick dash round Yeadon Tarn in the rain before retiring to Murgatroyd's for fish and chips! The weather was much better in July for an enjoyable stroll around Silsden.



Pantomime News

Seven new cast members were chosen from the 25 who came to audition in June - we have some very talented young people in Oakworth! The new script is now complete and everyone is looking forward to rehearsals starting.



Photos from Panto Praise, Village Gala and Barbecue



Oakworth Methodist Church



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MISSION POSSIBLE APPEAL

Yamaha Electric Organ for Sale

Chrissie Bury has kindly donated David's Yamaha Electrone EL-25 electric organ for us to sell to raise funds for our **Mission Possible Appeal**. See website for more information and pictures. The organ can be viewed/played at church. Any reasonable offer will be considered. Please contact David or Peter if you are interested on ☎01535 215784.



Since the June Newsletter, the local fundraising appeal has raised another £355 from two Film Evenings (showing 'The Railway Children' and the new 'Dad's Army' film), £65 from the Shine Circus in Haworth Park, £600 from Jane & Andrew's Plant Sale, £125 from the Panto Praise Coffee & Cakes, £370 at Nancy's Tea Party, £207 at the Wednesday Club Beetle Drive, £387 at the Gerry & the Hattricks Big Band concert and Lucy & Ed Chester have so far raised £240 in sponsor money from their separate mountaineering expeditions. A big thank you to all who organised and supported these varied events.



Mission Possible News

We have welcomed Jo Dolman, the new Youth, Children and Family Worker and a pre-panto party was held to enable her to meet as many of our children and parents as possible. Over 30 came and enjoyed games, snacks and dancing - and Jo collected ideas for future events.



I watch the sunrise Word Search

I watch the sunrise lighting the sky,
Casting its shadows near.
And on this morning bright though it be,
I feel those shadows near me.

*But you are always close to me
Following all my ways.*

*May I be always close to you
Following all your ways, Lord.*

I watch the sunlight shine through the clouds,
Warming the earth below.

And at the mid-day, life seems to say:
"I feel your presence near me."

I watch the sunset fading away,
Lighting the clouds with sleep.
And as the evening closes its eyes,
I feel your presence near me.



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Mission Possible Evening of Big Band Music

with Gerry & the Hattricks
and vocals from Michaela Smith

Friday 2nd September 7.30 pm

at Oakworth Methodist Church

Tickets £6 including Tea and Biscuits

from Madeline ☎642610 or David ☎215784
or email DHowarth@OakworthMethodists.org
or book online at www.OakworthMethodists.org



Mission Possible Family Film Evening The Jungle Book (2016)

with Fish & Chips in the Interval

Friday 23rd September 6.30 pm

on the giant screen at
Oakworth Methodist Church

All welcome - just turn up on the day

After a threat from the tiger Shere Khan
forces him to flee the jungle, a man-cub
named Mowgli embarks on a journey of self
discovery with the help of panther, Bagheera,
and free spirited bear, Baloo.

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Donations towards
Mission Possible
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Island Truffles & Treats

Mission Possible
**Chocolates, Cream Tea &
a Rock 'n' Roll Tribute Act**
at Oakworth Methodist Church



Wednesday 14th September 7.00 pm

Treat yourself to some delicious food and entertainment,
provided by Andy & Jeannie from Island Truffles & Treats.

The evening begins with a Belgian Chocolate Making
Demonstration & Tasters, followed by a selection of Sandwiches,
Home baked Scone with Jam & Clotted Cream, Tea & Coffee.
Andy Lloyd will then perform his Rock 'n' Roll tribute to the stars,
singing the hits of Elvis, Cliff, The Everly Brothers, Bobby Darin
and Neil Diamond, to name but a few.

Tickets £7.50 (to cover their costs)

from Madeline ☎642610 or David ☎215784
or book online at www.OakworthMethodists.org

Donations on the night towards **Mission Possible Appeal**

Mission Possible Evening with Ian Dewhirst

'Victorian & Edwardian Church and Chapel Life'

Thursday 6th October 7.00 pm

at Oakworth Methodist Church

Pie and Peas served at 7.00 pm

Please let David know if you are coming

Donations on the night towards **Mission Possible Appeal**





*at Oakworth Methodist Church
on Saturday 15th October at 2.30 or 4.30 pm*

*There is NO charge - donations will be
invited for the **Mission** Possible **Appeal***

*Booking is essential - contact David ☎ 01535 215784
or book online at www.OakworthMethodists.org*

A few places left at 2.30; 4.30 fully booked

*An afternoon of elegance and relaxation in pleasant
surroundings with delicious food and beautiful music*



Mission Possible **Family Film Evening**

Maleficent (2014)

with Fish & Chips in the Interval

Friday 21st October 6.30 pm

**on the giant screen at
Oakworth Methodist Church**

All welcome - just turn up on the day

**A vengeful fairy is driven to curse an infant
princess, only to discover that the child
may be the one person who can restore
peace to their troubled land.**



**Donations towards
Mission Possible
Appeal**



Mission Possible Evening of Brass Band Music with Silsden Town Band



Saturday 19th November 7.30 pm

at Oakworth Methodist Church

Tickets £6 including Tea and Biscuits

from Madeline ☎642610 or David ☎215784
or email DHowarth@OakworthMethodists.org
or book online at www.OakworthMethodists.org



Any
suggestions
for our
'Christmas'
Film slot in
November
???

Mission Possible Family Film Evening
????

with Fish & Chips in the Interval

Friday 25th November 6.30 pm

on the giant screen at
Oakworth Methodist Church

All welcome - just turn up on the day

Watch this space!

Donations towards
Mission Possible Appeal



Other Special Events



Yorkshireman Off Road Marathon at Haworth



Sunday 11th September

Please let Andrew or Jane know if you can help with preparation on the Saturday, provide a cake, or serve on the day.

The Harvest Service on Sunday 18th September will be followed by **Coffee & Cakes**

to raise funds to enable us to continue to sponsor Ronald in Uganda

This will also be a good opportunity to meet and get to know our new Minister, Rev Rosemary Nash and Circuit Youth, Children & Family Worker, Jo Dolman



Maureen Haigh invites you to bring your

Sunshine Bags



to church to be emptied on

Saturday 1st October
10.00 to 11.30 am

and to stay for a chat over

Morning Coffee

Autumn Fayre

Lots of stalls to buy from
Get your Christmas presents!

Have a Coffee and a chat

Stay for Meat & Potato Pie and Pea Lunch

Please sign the list in the porch when it goes up

Saturday 5th November

10.00 am to 1.00 pm



Share fellowship as you spend



All Age Worship



Harvest Festival

Sunday 18th September
10.30 am

All Age Worship led by
Rev Rosemary Nash

Please bring flowers for the
displays on the Saturday morning

Tinned food welcome at the
Service (to go to Salvation Army)

Gift envelopes will be available
for donations in lieu of produce
for 'All We Can' (Methodist Relief)



JIGSAW Prize Giving All Age Praise Service

Sunday 9th October 10.30 am

Led by Jo Dolman, David
and the Panto Team

Followed by Coffee & Cakes

Donations for Mission Possible Appeal



Remembrance Sunday

All Age Parade Service

Sunday 13th November

10.00 am - (NB early time)

Led by Rev Alan Raine

At 10.40 am, those who wish to
parade round to the Cenotaph for
the Memorial Service will be led
by the Uniformed Organisations



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Sunday Worship



A warm welcome awaits you as we worship together

- Sep** 4 10.30 am Mr Bernard Thompson - **Reader's Service**
11 10.30 am Rev Terry Porter - **Holy Communion**
18 10.30 am Rev Rosemary Nash - **All Age Harvest Festival**
7.30 pm **Ecumenical Heartbeat Service** - Christ Church
25 10.30 am Mrs Anne O'Shaughnessy
3.00 pm **Service at Oakworth Manor**
- Oct** 2 10.30 am Rev David Cooke
9 10.30 am Ms Jo Dolman, David and the Panto Team -
JIGSAW Prize Giving All Age Praise Service
16 10.30 am Mr Maurice Baren
7.30 pm **Ecumenical Heartbeat Service** - Christ Church
23 10.30 am Mrs Irene Mitchell - **Reader's Service**
3.00 pm **Service at Oakworth Manor**
30 10.30 am Rev Barbara Walls -
United Service with **Holy Communion** - **Exley Head**
6.00 pm **Rev Rosemary Nash - Ecumenical Service -**
with Holy Communion - Methodist Church
- Nov** 6 10.30 am Mr Dewar Wishart
13 **10.00 am** Rev Alan Raine -
Remembrance Sunday All Age Parade Service
10.45 am **Memorial Service at the Cenotaph**
20 10.30 am Rev Rosemary Nash - **Holy Communion**
7.30 pm **Ecumenical Heartbeat Service** - Christ Church
27 10.30 am Mr Michael Webster
3.00 pm **Service at Oakworth Manor**
6.00 pm **Circuit Local Preacher Accreditation Service - Cowling**



J.I.G.S.A.W. also meets at 10.30 am

- All Children and Young People are welcome

Creche facilities are available when required



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Diary Dates



Tuesdays 12.15 pm Senior Citizens' Luncheon Club

SEPTEMBER 2016

Fri	2	7.30 pm	Mission Possible Big Band Concert - Gerry & the Hattricks
Tue	6	7.00 pm	Circuit Welcome Service - Bingley Methodist Church
Thu	8	3.15 pm	Messy Church - in Church Hall
Fri	9	6.00 pm	Pre-Panto Party - opportunity to meet Jo Dolman
Sun	11	All day	Yorkshireman Marathon - Haworth
Wed	14	7.00 pm	Mission Possible Island Truffles & Treats + Afternoon Tea
Thu	15	7.30 pm	Circuit Meeting - Silsden Methodist Church
Sun	18	10.30 am	Harvest Festival All Age Worship : Rev Rosemary Nash
Sun	18	11.30-1.00	Coffee & Cakes - Fundraising for Ronald / meet Rosemary+Jo
Fri	23	6.30 pm	Mission Possible Film Evening + Fish & Chip Supper

OCTOBER 2016

Sat	1	10.00-11.30	Sunshine Bags & Morning Coffee - Church Lounge
Sat	1	7.15 pm	KYDZ Youth Theatre Concert - in Church
Mon	3	7.30 pm	Meeting to finalise Tea at the Ritz - Church Lounge
Tue	4	1.45 pm	Ladies' Group: "Antique Pottery" - John Hopkinson
Tue	4	7.30 pm	Circuit Property Meeting for Church Property Stewards - Silsden
Thu	6	7.00 pm	Mission Possible Evening with Ian Dewhirst + Pie & Peas
Fri	7	4.40 pm	Pantomime Scripts issued + First read-through - Church
Thu	13	3.15 pm	Messy Church - in Church Hall
Sat	15	2.30 + 4.30	Mission Possible Tea at the Ritz - in Church
Thu	20	7.30 pm	Church Council - Church Lounge
Fri	21	6.30 pm	Mission Possible Film Evening + Fish & Chip Supper

NOVEMBER 2016

Sat	5	10.00-1.00	Autumn Fayre & Lunch - in Church
Tue	8	6.30 pm	Ladies' Group Meal - at the Old Registry, Haworth
Thu	10	3.15 pm	Messy Church - in Church Hall
Wed	19	7.30 pm	Mission Possible Silsden Town Band Concert - in Church
Fri	25	6.30 pm	Mission Possible Film Evening + Fish & Chip Supper
Wed	30	7.30 pm	Wednesday Club - "Little Women" - Keighley Playhouse

FEBRUARY 2017

Sat 18 - Sat 25 **31st Pantomime - Sinbad the Sailor** - on stage in Church

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MISSION POSSIBLE APPEAL

I am delighted to report that local fundraising and donations topped £30,000 last month - bringing the total amount raised / promised to date for the whole project over the £160,000 mark. Details of some of the events can be found inside this Newsletter.

Included in the total is our second charitable trust grant - £2,000 was received from the Sir George Martin Trust last month. Other grant applications are at various stages in the application cycle and we look forward to the next successful one.

Detailed plans have been drawn up and the building project has now gone out to tender. Once the tender figures are received and value engineered, we will be able to complete the Business Plan and submit two large grant applications which we hope will raise sufficient to enable the building work to start next Easter.

Donations and Promises to the **Mission Possible Appeal Fund** are always welcome - just complete the form in the **Appeal Leaflet**.

