

Penrith Methodist Circuit

Weekly Bulletin

Sunday 26th February 2023

Qualifying the Called

As we enter into the season of lent, we enter into a season of anticipation. Anticipation for what God is doing and going to do within our lives and the life of the Church.

It has caused me to reflect on what is now being called the 'Asbury revival' which recently started at a university in Kentucky, where a group of students took the decision to stay and continue worshipping after a service. Following that decision, the way in which the Holy Spirit moved in that place was tangible. This spirit led worship carried on for 5 hours, then 24 hours, then 50 hours and even surpassed 100 hours! People from across America came to witness and be a part of this revival brought on by the Holy Spirit.

What struck me about this event was the fact it was started by students. Young people who had a real heart for God and were open to how God wanted to move in their lives. It wasn't started by ministers or theologians or church leaders or celebrities. It was started by 'normal people'. The 'unqualified'. But their lack of qualification didn't stop them acting as the Spirit directed them.

Jesus chose twelve people with next to no religious training. Yet they went out and, through the Holy Spirit, changed the world.



Now, I'm not saying people in dog collars can't change the world. What I am saying, is that if you get the prompt from the Holy Spirit to go and do something, you should do it. Do not let the insecurity of 'not being qualified enough' stop you. It is through the Holy Spirit that God qualifies us to go and do something amazing. Pastor Mark Batterson said '*God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called.*'

I hope that the events that have taken place in Asbury can serve as a reminder of the wonderful ways in which God is wanting to move in this world today. Revival might come in the places and people who we least expect. But whatever happens, let's remember to never let worldly qualifications or insecurities get in the way of what God is calling us to.

Morgan Tebb-Roger



Penrith Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Rev. Tim Cooke

Readings: Matthew 4: 1 – 11; Philippians 2: 5 – 11

7pm ~ Encounter ~ PJ Summers & Morgan Tebb-Roger

Skelton Methodist Church

10.30am ~ Morning Worship – Mr. Morgan Tebb-Roger

Stainton Methodist Church

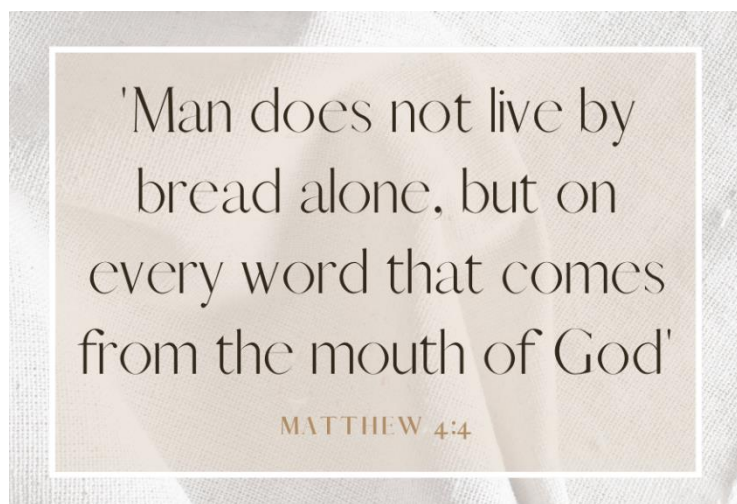
10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Mr. Lawrence Tomlinson

Cottage Wood Centre

5pm ~ Zoom Sharing Service - contact Carolyn Dickinson for log in details

Email: fraser.carolyn4@gmail.com

Thought for the week



Weekly Diary

Monday 27th February

9.30am ~ Monday Walks – Meet outside PMC

6.15pm ~ Choral Group – Sandgate Room/PMC

7.30pm ~ Monday Zoom Prayer

Tuesday 28th February

10am ~ Midweek Service ~ Miss Kathleen Williamson – Church/PMC

10.30am ~ CAP Job Club – Beacon/PMC

12 noon ~ Lent Lunch – St. Andrew's Church, Penrith

7pm ~ Omega HG – Sunningdale, Stainton

7.30pm ~ Junior Youth Club – Ullswater/PMC

Wednesday 1st March

10am ~ 3Cs – Cottage Wood Centre

10am ~ Coffee Morning - Skelton Methodist Church

1.30pm ~ Sewing Craft Group – Skelton Methodist Church

2.30pm ~ Ubuntu HG – 1 Cold Springs Park, Penrith

7pm ~ Blencow HG – The Hollies, Blencow (*We meet twice monthly at 7pm on a Wednesday. Contact Steve on 07711 088448 for further details.*)

7pm – 8pm ~ Cottage Wood Monthly Prayer Time - *We are continuing to pray at home, and all are welcome to take part for any or all of the hour.*

7.30pm ~ Just Economics Lent Course, 1 Lowther Terrace, Penrith (*Contact Sarah & Chris Hulme for further details, sarahchrishulme@gmail.com*)

Thursday 2nd March

1pm ~ Twinkly Tots – Ullswater/PMC

2pm ~ Parklands HG – 19 Frenchfield Way, Penrith

Friday 3rd March

10am - 2pm ~ Warm Spaces – Sandgate/PMC

12 noon ~ Lunch Club – Ullswater/PMC

7.30pm ~ Senior Youth Club – Ullswater/PMC

Saturday 4th March

7pm ~ Ceilidh – Ullswater/PMC

Sunday 5th March

Penrith: 10.30am ~ Healing Service ~ Rev. Gillian Belford (*No lunch after service*)

Skelton: 10.30am ~ Morning Communion ~ Rev. Tim Cooke

Stainton: 10.30am ~ Morning Worship ~ Mr. Morgan Tebb-Roger

Cottage Wood Centre: 3pm ~ Early Evening Worship ~ Mr. Morgan Tebb-Roger

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2023
FRIDAY 3 MARCH
A SERVICE FOR EVERYONE!

I have heard
about your faith



Churches Together in Penrith
Do come and join us at the Quaker Meeting House at 10am:
Taiwan is our theme.

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**‘God the Holy Spirit’**  
A Lent Day with Blencathra and Ullswater Mission Communities

Newbiggin Village Hall  
Saturday 4 March 2023  
10.30am - 2.30pm

To sign up visit: [greystokeandmungrisdale.churchsuite.com/events/b8s5i0h6](https://greystokeandmungrisdale.churchsuite.com/events/b8s5i0h6)



***Healing  
Service***  
***5th March 2023***

The Healing Service originally planned for March 12th will now be held on March 5th. Please continue to pray.

**Please Note: There will be no Church lunch on 5<sup>th</sup> March.**



## Penrith Mission Area Lent Groups

There will be two Penrith Mission Area Lent Groups meeting on Wednesdays during March starting on 1 March at 7.15pm.

One will be at 2 Sand Croft, hosted by Chris and Chenda Nuttall and the other will be at 42 Crocus Avenue, hosted by Barry and Trish Halls.

Both will be studying 'A Way through the Wilderness' based on Isaiah 40 and all are welcome to join.

For more details contact Chris Nuttall on [cnuttallx2@aol.com](mailto:cnuttallx2@aol.com) or 01768 744936.

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THE SEASON OF

Lent

Churches Together in Penrith
Lent Lunches

TUESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY, ST ANDREW'S,
12NOON

TUESDAY 7TH MARCH, PMC, 12NOON

TUESDAY 14TH MARCH, QUAKER MEETING HOUSE,
12NOON

TUESDAY 21ST MARCH, THE SALVATION ARMY,
12NOON

FRIDAY 31ST MARCH, ST CATHERINE'S, 1PM

TUESDAY 4TH APRIL, CHURCH IN THE BARN,
12NOON

Turkey & Syria Earthquake Emergency Donations

'Following the devastating news, All We Can will be responding to the earthquake and rescue efforts.

Our initial response is centred in Syria given access to existing networks for the most vulnerable, through our partners in the region.

We have supported with Refugees prior to the earthquake and will continue to support them during this time of extended vulnerability.'

Donations can be made via the following link

<https://www.allwecan.org.uk/donate/syrian-earthquake-emergency-donations/>



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relief and
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### Bear Care!

Sarah Harris, who is a part of PMC's amazing Worship Group, is away 11<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> March and would like to ask if anyone would be kind enough to take care of Bear while she is away – he has a lovely nature and just look at that smile!

If you can help, please contact Sarah on  
07954 249 151

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'Something New'

Sunday 12th March at 3 pm at All Saints, Calthwaite

Led by the Revd Mark Houston with a speaker from Living Water Adopt-A-Child

Refreshments served and all welcome.



IMPORTANT GIFT AID REMINDER

The Income Tax Year ends on 5th April 2023 and it is important that I know if you have signed a Gift Aid declaration and are either no longer paying Income Tax, or consider that the amount of tax you have paid in the current year is less than will be reclaimed on your total donations (currently £25.00 can be reclaimed for every £100 donated).



Any taxpayers who may be interested in helping the church by Gift Aiding their donations but do not currently do so, please contact me for further information. There is no additional cost to you and it is completely confidential.

If you have signed a Gift Aid declaration and change your name or address, please also let me know.

Thank you,
Malcolm Teed (01768 758246).

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## INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS?

We are currently looking for

- **Property Steward** – we have a brilliant Property Team, but are in need of someone to head it – speak to Rev. Tim if you'd like to know more
- **HR Team Member** – working alongside the current HR Team to keep on top of legislation, pay scales, duty of care, etc. – speak to Rev. Tim for more info
- **Twinkly Tots Volunteer** – as the group continues to expand, we are in need of a couple of people to help prepare snacks and drinks (this could be alternate weeks!)  
– contact Trace if you'd like to get involved



## Change of Email Address

John and Audrey Peacock have changed their email address to "[glendon1962@oulook.com](mailto:glendon1962@oulook.com)"

## Contact Details:

**Superintendent: Rev. Tim Cooke:** 01768 890465 or  
email: [tim.cooke@methodist.org.uk](mailto:tim.cooke@methodist.org.uk)

**Circuit Minister: Rev. David Milner:** 01768 863209 or email: [dave@revmilner.plus.com](mailto:dave@revmilner.plus.com)

**Missional Pioneer & Communities Lay Pastor: Morgan Tebb-Roger:** 07949 156051  
or email: [outreach@penrithmethodist.co.uk](mailto:outreach@penrithmethodist.co.uk)

**Circuit Office:** 01768 862787 or email: [admin@penrithmethodist.co.uk](mailto:admin@penrithmethodist.co.uk)  
(Open 9am - 1pm, Monday to Friday)

**Circuit Administrative Manager: Sarah Mulheron**

**Administrative Assistant: Maureen Brunskill**

**Premises Manager: Lindsay Wilson**

### Pastoral Team:-

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**Lucy Pullan:** 01768 898386; **Morgan Tebb-Roger:** 07949 156051

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**Eden Debt Centre Manager (CAP) ~ Jon Cook:** 07464 939138  
or email: [joncook@capuk.org](mailto:joncook@capuk.org)

**Cottage Wood Centre - Please send a request to join our Facebook group.**

**PMC Website:** [www.penrithmethodist.co.uk](http://www.penrithmethodist.co.uk)

**All services are on You Tube**

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