

Telford Christians Together

TOGETHER for the Kingdom

INFORMATION & RESOURCES

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Journey with Mary from The Ascension to Pentecost:

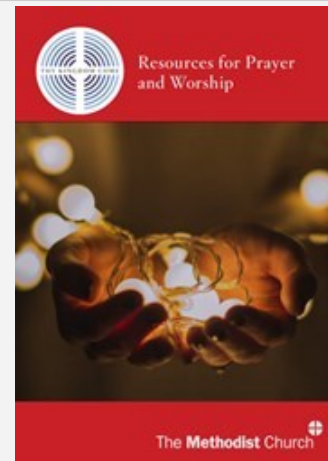
For over a century it has been a tradition within in the Catholic Church to pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the days between the Ascension and Pentecost.

In recent years many Christian denominations throughout the world have also been praying for this intention through a prayer initiative called 'Thy Kingdom Come'. By joining this initiative we are therefore renewing our desire for the Kingdom of God to be made real in the lives of those we know and love through the power of the Holy Spirit.

It is merely a guide, like signs along the road, to provide you with themes, intentions and a structure of prayer for each day. Whether you use only part of the booklet or extend your prayers to a decade or rosary each day, it is our hope that the power of the Holy Spirit moves in the lives of those for whom you make these prayers.

<https://www.thykingdomcome.global/resources/journey-mary>

Have you pledged to pray, individually, as a family or as a church?



Resources and prayers for Methodist churches including a suggested order of worship for a *Thy Kingdom Come* service. Written and compiled by Methodist Presbyter the Revd Catherine Dixon. The A5 booklet also uses prayers from the Methodist Prayer Handbook.

<https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-faith/prayer/thy-kingdom-come/>

I hear you differently!

A prayer guide written by the Revd Dr Barbara C Glasson, President-Designate of the 2019/2020 Methodist Conference and Team Leader at Touchstone, part of the Yorkshire West Methodist District dedicated to interfaith work. Photographs by David Glasson.

Copies of *I Hear You Differently!* are being distributed to Districts, and so – before placing your order – please check first with your District *Thy Kingdom Come* Champion for copies. If you are unaware of your District Champions, please email thykingdomcome@lambethpalace.org.uk



Journey of the Magi – A festive, light-hearted, joyful event with a moving and profound message.

Share the joy and wonder of Christmas with your church and local community through this exhilarating, critically acclaimed performance. The show offers a bridge between contemporary life and Jesus's birth, comparing our own personal journey to Christmas day with the journey that the wise men took. With sparkle and songs to keep the children engrossed and bags of good humour for the grown-ups, **Journey of the Magi** delights audiences of all ages and offers a chance to reflect and refocus.

“Absolutely fabulous show. Wonderful mix of fun, wit, and meaning. It made me laugh and it made me cry all in a couple of minutes. (Hope you'll come back.)” Richard, Poynton Methodist Church

Springs is inviting churches to host a performance of **Journey of the Magi**, which will be available nationally from 23rd November to 23rd December 2019.

Further information can be found on the Springs Dance Company website page <https://springsdancecompany.org.uk/productions/journey-of-the-magi/>, by emailing touring@springsdancecompany.org.uk or by calling 07876 752 910

HOPE 2020



How will your church bring hope to your community in 2020?

In 2020 churches and ministries are working together for an intentional and spirit-filled year of mission across the UK called Advance 2020. HOPE is one of the major partners and they are encouraging churches to start planning now. The **HOPE for all in 2020** brochure includes ideas and opportunities for mission planning which include the **Talking Jesus course** and **Remembrance** which commemorates 75 years since the end of World War 11.

<https://www.hopetogether.org.uk/>

Prayer spaces in public places

In 2020, 24-7 Prayer and HOPE Together are inviting local churches to host a creative, public prayer space. Imagine, all over the country, people meeting the God of hope in schools, work places, high streets, gardens and unexpected public places. Will you offer your community a place they can meet God in prayer? In the coming months we will be developing an information pack and resources to give you everything you need to provide Hope Spaces in your community in 2020. To register your interest email: hopespaces@24-7prayer.com

