23-25  ■  Cliff College Festival, Derbyshire
Late May/June
■  Buckingham Palace Garden Party, London

June 2020

5-10  ■  Isle of Man District
10-14  ■  Methodist Church in Ireland Conference, Lisburn
25 June – 2 July
■  Methodist Conference, Telford

So What’s the Story...?

Thank you for picking up this card and for travelling with us prayerfully in our Presidential year. As President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference we know that we are part of a company of praying people and enter the year with a sense of God’s grace surrounding us, thanks to your love and support.

Our theme for the year is a question: ‘So What’s the Story...?’ The picture on the front of this Prayer Card will pop up in other places throughout the year. Our co-written book So What’s the Story...? is intended to aid study and reflection individually, in your house group or in church worship. We want to encourage every Methodist (and many more) to re-discover the importance of stories – biblical, historical or personal. Telling and hearing stories is a key way of expressing and exploring our faith.

Our theme also links with 3Generate’s ‘Year of Testimony’. We want to encourage even the most diffident amongst us to say something about God’s part in our life. Stories can be told in so many ways. Listening to, and learning from people we might think are very different is crucial for the peace and unity of our communities, both locally and across the world. Following Jesus entails entering into the great stories of God, and to live them again in a wide variety of contexts and situations, bringing peace, justice and joy. Fun can be had too!

With peace and our prayers for you,
Clive and Barbara
Engagements for the President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference 2019/2020 for you to use in your prayers.

Key  ■ Joint engagement  △ President  □ Vice-President

July 2019
12-14 △ 350th anniversary of Susanna Wesley's birth – keynote speaker at Conference
20 △ Opening of The Spire project – Southampton District
20-21 △ Tolpuddle Martyrs Weekend, Tolpuddle, Dorset
25-30 △ Cornwall District – Isle of Scilly and Camborne, Truro

August 2019
23-26 △ Greenbelt Festival, Kettering

September 2019
1 △ Wesley’s Chapel, London (am)
1 △ Welcome Service for Youth President (pm)
1 △ Central Hall, Westminster London (pm)
3 △ Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes New Year Service, Manchester
11 △ Methodist Independent Schools Trust’s (MIST) Annual Dedication and Strategy Day, London
14 △ District Synod Northampton District
15 △ Woburn Sands Methodist Church 140th Anniversary
23-24 △ Connexional Leadership Forum, High Leigh, Hertfordshire
23-24 △ Labour Party Conference, Brighton
30 Sept – 1 Oct △ Conservative Party Conference, Manchester

October 2019
11-13 △ Darlington District and Barnard Castle Methodist Church 125th Anniversary
14-15 △ Methodist Council
18-20 △ Yorkshire North & East – District Gathering, Scarborough
19 △ Keynote speaker for Reflect Annual Open Conference, London
21 △ Action for Children Service
22-24 △ London District’s Superintendents Residential Meeting
26 △ Dedication of Centre for Health and Pastoral Care (Holy Rood House), Thirsk

November 2019
8-9 △ Northampton District (Inter-Faith Week)
8-10 △ Birmingham District
10 △ Remembrance Service, Cenotaph, London (am)
10 △ Hinde Street Methodist Church, London (pm)
12-14 △ Speaker at Methodist Women in Britain, Plymouth and Exeter District
16 △ Study Day, Leeds
17 △ Annual Thanksgiving service, Whitechapel Mission, London
22-24 △ 3Generate, Southport
28 △ Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, London
30 Nov – 01 Dec △ Liverpool District

December 2019
3-5 △ Discipleship and Evangelism Gathering, Cliff College, Derbyshire
8 △ Preacher, Bradford Cathedral
15 △ Christmas service, Darley Dale Methodist Church, Matlock

January 2020
2nd week in January
14-15 △ RAF Forces visit, Lincolnshire
17-19 △ Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury District
24 △ Queen’s Foundation, Birmingham
29-30 △ Methodist Council

February 2020
4-6 △ Bedfordshire, Essex and Hertfordshire District
7-10 △ District Visit Wales Synod/Synod Cymru
10-12 △ Methodist Tri-Service Chaplains’ Conference
22 △ All We Can Conference

March 2020
6-8 △ Chester and Stoke on Trent District
9-10 △ Connexional Leadership Forum, Hinsley Hall, Leeds
20-23 △ East Anglia District
28-30 △ Methodist Council

April 2020
18-20 △ Gilslands Methodist Chapel 150th Anniversary, Cumbria District
21-23 △ Shetland Isles District
24-26 △ Scotland District

May 2020
5-6 △ Diaconal Convocation
7-11 △ Channel Islands District, Anniversary of 75 years of Freedom
24 △ Wesley Day Celebration, St Paul’s Cathedral and Wesley’s Chapel, London