



The **Methodist** Church Cardiff Circuit

So what is this Youth Space then?

Youth Space is a new venture by the Methodist Church in Cardiff to create a space and mechanism for young Methodists from across Cardiff to gather together. We arrange both occasional weekends away for all young people (aged 11 to 18) and more regular weekly gatherings for those young people who have no suitable provision within their own church.

Who are we?

Ian, Jamie and Susan are the church employees working with the participants but we are supported by an ever growing team of dedicated volunteers who give of their time freely to work with these young people. We all assist each other to grow in Fun, Fellowship and Faith.



The volunteers and participants of our Autumn Circuit Youth Weekend on the steps of Pontypridd Station.

When do you meet?

Youth Space 1 meet on a Sunday night as the church congregation of Youth Space to worship in their own way. Using the halls of Wesley Canton they come together to share in the tale of the early church from the book of Acts and grow as young Christians. Many of our participants are still active in their family churches for Sunday morning worship but Youth Space 1 provides something different.

Our Thursday night Duke of Edinburgh group has just started at Conway Road Methodist Church in Canton and welcomes new young people who are looking to improve themselves and gain recognition for their dedication outside of school.

The Autumn Circuit Youth Weekend on the theme of "Have you got the X Factor?" was well received by all participants. A large part of the weekends activities centred around the generation of a Comic Strip gospel. To generate these, the young people broke down common stories from Mark's gospel to portray both the narrative and the meaning within a 6 image comic strip – starring themselves and with their own hand drawn backgrounds.

The results of our efforts can be seen on the Youth Space website – youthspace.cardiffmethodist.org.uk

Where are we?

Circuit Events happen all over the circuit and beyond with our Spring Circuit Youth Weekend now planned at the Amelia Trust Farm in Barry.

We are also excitedly waiting for the completion of building works on our dedicated space for young people in Canton. We are renting premises there to have a base for our works and give smaller meetings a regular space of their own. It also means that its only us that have to put up with our mess when we leave in a hurry after a busy session.

How do I get involved?

To find out more about what Youth Space is up to and planning for the future visit our website. We welcome all those aged 11 to 18 (of secondary school age) as participants for our activities and those a little (or a lot) older can support as volunteers. Our volunteers come in many forms from regularly working 1to1 with young people to providing one off sessions on map reading, cooking food for groups or by fundraising for the continuing work of our projects.

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