

Youth Forum Newsletter

News for those involved in youth work in Methodist Churches across Cardiff

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What's on

8th May 2010 - Youth Space Official Opening

12:00 Opening ceremony

Youth Space new premises in Canton are to be officially opened by Rev. Dr Stephen Wigley, Chair of Wales Synod.

12:05 – 15:00 Open House.

Tea and cakes, rounds of the animal game for all to join and Youth Space open for all to see.

All are welcome to come and see our new space.

20th May 2010 – 19:30 Youth Forum, Youth Space

22nd May 2010 - 09:45 – 12:00 Volunteer Training, Young People and Spirituality

This training is part of the spring season of Training being run for any volunteer within the Cardiff Circuit working with young people to advance their skills (from whatever their current knowledge).

Advance booking essential (deadline extended to 30th April) See the Youth Space website for details and booking form.

7th July 2010 – 19:30 – 21:30 Youth Forum BBQ, Christchurch Fairwater URC/Methodist Church

9th to 11th July 2010 - Breakout 2010, Cliff College

The bi-annual gathering for young people in the Methodist Church. Although the initial deadline for bookings to Breakout has now passed there is still the possibility of some spaces on the transport so get in touch with Ian as soon as possible if you know of any interested young people. Places for those not yet booked are now available for the increased price of £150 per head.

20th July 2010 (Tuesday) Going Somewhere 1

28th July 2010 (Wednesday) Going Somewhere 2

6th August 2010 (Friday) Going Somewhere 3

12th August 2010 (Thursday) Going Somewhere 4

17th August 2010 (Tuesday) Going Somewhere 5

25th August 2010 (Wednesday) Going Somewhere 6

22nd to 25th October 2010 (Friday - Sunday) - Autumn Circuit Youth Weekend

To register interest as either a volunteer or participant please get in touch with Ian.

What is "Going Somewhere"?

Going Somewhere is the Summer Holiday project from Youth Space where for one day each week during the Summer Vacation we will be "Going Somewhere" all day with a group of young people. We are looking into a working day at the Amelia Trust Farm, a day at the beach, a days hill walking and many other ideas. Could be near or far, the exact locations are not confirmed yet but these are the dates to keep free over the summer if you want to come with us. Further details will be on the Youth Space website as soon as they are confirmed.

If you have young people interested please let Ian know so that he has an idea of numbers as soon as possible.

Interview with a volunteer

Jamie Price (an Officer of 31st Cardiff Boys' Brigade and member of Christchurch Fairwater) was put through her officer training as soon as she was 18 and has been working with the Boys' Brigade ever since. She loves working with the boys and seeing them grow and develop through the company from anchor boy at age 5 right through to their last badge of the senior section and becoming young officer at 18.

"At Fairwater we have a BB company section that is for ages 11 - 18. At the moment we are currently decorating a portacabin that we were given as a donation from Barclays Bank. This space is being used as a chillout area for us, we now have electricity, sofas, a pool table, darts board and much more. Also this summer we are looking forward to our BB Summer Camp at the beginning of July, we are going to Harlech in North Wales along with the Girls' Brigade from Cathays Methodist. We are hoping for a week of great weather!"

What has Youth Forum planned?

Last term Youth Forum planned the event You Choose. A fun evening was had by all who attended at Cyncoed Methodist Church with Mocktail bar, games room and team sports.

For the summer term we are currently planning a BBQ to be held in Christchurch Fairwater 19:30 – 21:30 on Wednesday 7th July. Posters are now available to download along with further information from the Youth Space website.

The next meeting of Youth Forum will be on 20th May 2010 at 19:30 in Youth Space. This meeting is to offer some sharing time and finalise plans for the summer term BBQ.

News from around the Circuit

Messy Church at Whitchurch now has a small group of those age 11-18 sharing in worship with those younger and older when they meet once a month on a Sunday afternoon (14:30) generally getting quite messy sharing in craft activities around a the theme of a bible story. Messy Church is great fun for any age of the church family.

Are you organising any special events for young people?

Let us know and we'll publicise them in the next edition of Youth Forum Newsletter, or even issue a special edition.

Where did you get that?

Did this newsletter get sent directly to you? If you work with Young People (aged 11 – 18) in the Cardiff Methodist Circuit then register for your own copy by sending an e-mail to youthspace@cardiffmethodist.org.uk

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