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# NEWS

## **Monday Housegroups (8pm)**

Mon 9th Nov - 116 Bannerdale Road  
Mon 23th Nov - 116 Bannerdale Road

## **Tuesday Housegroups (8pm)**

Tue 3rd Nov - at church  
Tue 17th Nov - 7 Grove House Court

If you are thinking of joining one of our groups, you'd be very welcome. We usually follow a Bible passage or topic with relevant questions we can discuss. We finish with refreshments. If you would like further details, see Ruth or Katrin.

Any foreign or old coins not required please give to NCH.

See Dorothy Parker

Nettie would like to say a big thank you to all who helped with the Peace & Hope Puppets show.

The Emmaus Group is meeting at church on the following dates:

Thursday 5th November 7.30pm.  
Thursday 19th November 7.30pm

You would be welcome to come to the ladies' Bring & Buy on Monday 26th October at 2pm.

ALL WELCOME

We have a Prayer Chain at Carterknowle - if you know of someone who needs prayer all you have to do is contact Maureen Baxter Tel. No. 2817116 or if Maureen is not available Ruth Webster Tel. No. 2819722. Your prayer requests will then be passed on to other members on the Prayer Chain team.

**We also have a Prayer Team at Carterknowle.** Please feel free to share your prayers with them before, during or after the service. The Prayer Team members are: Diane Maragh, Ruth Webster, Kay Gilbert and Maureen Baxter.

## **Pastoral Care at Carterknowle**

Carterknowle is a church where God's love is shared through a warm welcome and caring relationships. In addition people who worship here may have a Pastoral Carer to support and encourage them in life and faith through:

- Keeping a caring eye on them.
- Keeping in touch by various means; visiting if appropriate.
- Prayer.
- Informing the minister of special need (with permission and respecting confidentiality.)

Your views would be helpful and greatly appreciated. Please contact Francis or me if you:

- Have any comments, suggestions or questions about pastoral care.
- Don't have a Pastoral Carer and would like one.
- Feel a change of Pastoral Carer could be helpful to you.
- Would like to know more about becoming a member of the Methodist Church.
- Feel called by God to pastoral care or would like to know more. (Support/mentoring would be given.)

Many thanks and look forward to hearing from you,

Carole Smith  
(Pastoral Committee Secretary)

### **HARC**

Homeless and Rootless at Christmas would be very grateful for items of clothing (in good condition) to give their guests over the Christmas period.

Warm coats or jackets, trousers (especially jeans), and sweaters are most useful. Please bring to church any Sunday in November, or let me know and I'll be glad to collect.

Thanks!  
Carole Smith

# What's On

	<b>Sunday 1st November</b>	<b>Sunday 8th November</b>
<b>Morning Service</b>		
<b>Pre-Service Singing (10.30am) led by</b>	Katrin Hackett	Simon ETTY
<b>Morning Service (10.45am) led by</b>	Revd. Francis Neil (All Age - Shoeboxes)	Susan Rose
<b>Church Steward</b>	Euphie Reid	Leroy Wenham
<b>Door Stewards</b>	Joan Carter Ada Klufus	Theresa Lewis Ian Lewis
<b>Evening Service</b>		
<b>Evening Service (6.30pm) led by</b>	Revd. Francis Neil (Share the Feast)	- No Service -
<b>Church Steward</b>	Mark Goldsworthy	
<b>Events</b>		
<b>Monday 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th</b>	10.30 - 3.00 Cafe Open 2.00pm Ladies F/ship <i>(TBA)</i> 7.00 - 9.00pm The Edge	10.30 - 3.00 Cafe Open 2.00pm Ladies F/ship <i>(Pat Turner)</i> 7.00 - 9.00pm The Edge
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.30am Prayer & Praise 10.30am Carers & Toddlers 10.30 - 3.00 Cafe Open	9.30am Prayer & Praise 10.30am Carers & Toddlers 10.30 - 3.00 Cafe Open
<b>Wednesday</b>	Wednesday Club 10.30 - 3.00 Cafe Open	10.30 - 3.00 Cafe Open
<b>Thursday</b>	10.30am Carers & Toddlers 10.30 - 3.00 Cafe Open	10.30am Carers & Toddlers 10.30 - 3.00 Cafe Open
<b>Friday</b>		
<b>Saturday</b>		

# Diary

Sunday 15th November	Sunday 22nd November	Sunday 29th November
<b>Morning Service</b>		
Maureen Baxter	Elaine Holberry	Val Leigh
Revd. Francis Neil (Holy Communion)	Lesley Wallace	Margaret Webb
John Hackett	StJohn Wright	Simon ETTY
Gloria Curtis Jean Dawson	Maureen Nunn Thomas Holberry	Kath Timmiss Stan Timmiss
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## Learning Opportunities 2009-10

The District offers many potential opportunities for training, some of which are listed here. Any circuit, church or individual interested should contact the person named for a discussion.

**Church stewards:** For anyone thinking of becoming a church steward, or who is already in post. A chance to learn more about the role and share experiences. Eileen & Michael Sanderson (01226 742644)

**Food Safety in Catering:** A 6-hours level 2 course – essential for any church which provides refreshments. Timings can be tailored to local needs. £20 per participant for the documentation. Joyce Wiles (0114 278 8060)

**Faith at work (two workshops):** (1) An evening or Sunday afternoon for lay people addressing the issues and concerns they often face when seeking to live out their Christian faith in the workplace. (2) A half-day for ministers exploring new ways they can support and equip lay people for Christian ministry at work, whether paid or voluntary. David Clark (01629 810172)

**Trusteeship:** An introduction to some of the issues and duties that new trustees need to know about and help with deciding what they can do to familiarise themselves with that role. Russell Blackwell (0114 230 3009)

**Preachers and worship leaders:** District Worship and Preaching Officer John Young (0114 247 3086) is available to discuss possible learning opportunities.

**Core skills for children's work:** A 6 session course for new workers to develop skills for children's ministry and extend those of experienced workers. Participants develop knowledge of children and their needs, receive guidance on team work, leadership and planning, and deepen awareness of children's spirituality. Judith Jessop (0114 231 3518) & Eileen Sanderson (01226 742644)

**Managing difficult conversations:** A one day course offering a set of principles and skills for handling difficult conversations that can often create tension and stress within the life of the church. Particularly useful for ministers and lay people with church leadership responsibilities. A maximum of 6 people per course. Sue Clark (01629 810172)

**Creative Spirituality:** Richard Stott will be leading retreats and study days for those wishing to explore the use of creative arts in church life, worship and our personal faith journeys - no artistic expertise required! Dates to follow. (07795 694611 / 0114 247 0538)

**Quiet Days:** An oasis in the midst of a busy life. An opportunity to stand back, change the pace, unwind, rest, reflect and find God in the stillness. A chance to reflect and gain insight, strength and wisdom for God's future leadings. Judith Jessop (0114 231 3518)

**Church and Circuit Treasurers:** For those who are in or about to start their first financial year. It has advice on how to keep the church books, present simple accounts to the Church Council and what Methodist and Charity regulations require. Russell Blackwell (0114 230 3009)

**Chairing meetings:** Exploring the skills needed to be an effective chair, and how to adapt one's style. For anyone (lay and ordained) called on to chair church-related meetings, but particularly suitable for probationer ministers. Michael Sanderson (01226 742644)

**Involvement in schools:** There are many opportunities for Christians to be involved in schools, including leading assemblies, helping in RE and governorship. A chance to share experiences. Eileen & Michael Sanderson (01226 742644)

If you are interested in attending a course, please speak with Francis or one of the stewards.

## **Carterknowle Methodist Church Vision Statement**

Our vision is to reflect God's love, and to seek and share the good news of Jesus in all that we do by:

- being open to all who wish to explore the development of their faith.
- providing a warm, safe and welcoming environment for prayer, worship and spiritual growth.
- offering care, support and encouragement for all as they journey through life.
- providing a base for service to the local community and the wider world.

Don't forget we also have a website : [www.carterknowle.ecclesallmethodist.org](http://www.carterknowle.ecclesallmethodist.org) with more information, photos and some video links.

## Teasers

1. Which English word do Australians always pronounce incorrectly?
2. In a game of basketball, the net is mounted five feet above the floor plus half its own height. Therefore how high is the net mounted above the floor?
3. It can be lost, given, stolen or broken many times in your life, yet if you are without it for a minute you will die. What is it?
4. Can you think of a 3-letter word that can be prefixed by all these letters?

REMN R BLAT GI W

5. Which word is the odd one out?

Peninsula      Reef      Isle      Strait  
Continent      Isthmus

### Answer to last issue's puzzles:

1. Backseat Driver