### **ONSITE MEETINGS AND ORGANISATIONS THIS WEEK**

Sun14	Bible Class Crèche & JaM Alpha Course Blue Christmas	10.00am - Chapel 10.45am - Sanctuary 5.00pm - Chapel 7.30pm - St Brigid's Church
Mon 15	MWI Women's Christmas Carol Party	8.00pm - Chapel
Tues 16	Prayer Meeting Prayer Meeting	9.30am - Coffee Dock 7.00pm - Chapel
Wed 17	Bowling Fellowship	7.00pm - Main Hall
Thurs 18	Men Only – Meal & Meeting	6.30pm - Minor Hall & Chapel
Fri 19	Craft Class BB: Cabin & Anchor Boys Junior, Company & Senior Sections – Christmas Parties	10.00am - Chapel 6.30pm - All Halls 7.00pm - All Halls
Sun 21	All-Age Nativity Christmas in the Neighbourhood Music and drama production	10.45am - Sanctuary 7.00pm - Sanctuary
Tues 23	Prayer Meeting Prayer Meeting	9.30am - Coffee Dock 7.00pm - Chapel
Thurs 25	Christmas Morning Celebration	9.30am - Sanctuary
Sun 28	Carols for Christmas	10.45am - Sanctuary
JANUARY		
Sun 4	Covenant Service	10.45am - Sanctuary
OFFSITE MEETINGS AND EVENTS		
Sat 3 Jan	Men's Breakfast	8.00am - Eden Café



Gifts of nappies, wipes, toiletries, sterilisers and clothing for 1-5yr olds olds (including pyjamas and coats), are needed at present. Due to restrictive storage space, we are unable to take any large items of baby equipment (unless pre-arranged).



As Christmas draws nearer and temperatures drop, we think of others less privileged than ourselves. If you are shopping, please pop an extra item to your shopping basket for those who are struggling to put food on the table. The Food Bank is currently looking for canned and long life food and drinks, and

also toiletries such as toothpaste, shampoo, shower gel, soap and toilet rolls.

# WELCOME 4



## Glengormley Methodist Church

Our Mission Statement: "We exist to glorify God, nurture followers of Christ and reflect His saving and transforming love in Glengormley, through the power of the Holy Spirit."

The Methodist Church in Ireland's Mission Statement: "Living wholeheartedly as followers of Jesus for the transformation of the World"

Visitors are always welcome - and are invited to make themselves known.

"Draw near to God and he will draw near to you." James 4.8



## 14 December, 2025

10.45am

5.00pm

7.30pm

Morning Service

Alpha Course

Blue Christmas - St Brigid's Church, Ballyclare Road

### **ORGANISATION TREASURERS**

#### **END OF YEAR ARRANGEMENTS**

Deadline for cash and cheques clearing bank - 31 December 2025.

Any income or expenditure recorded on your bank after that date should not be included in the 2025 Accounts.

Please submit the completed accounts for your organisation to Naomi Harland by Sunday 4 January, either in person or by email at

treasurer@glengormleymethodist.org



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## **ANNUAL APPEAL**

Each year we help many families at Christmas and rely on your generosity to do that. Instead of buying toys, Newtownabbey Methodist Mission are asking everyone to donate the money they would usually spend on toys. Any contribution you can make would be greatly appreciated. Please put donations in an envelope and mark 'Christmas Appeal' and they will be sent to Rev Karen Spence, (Superintendent Minister) at Newtownabbey Methodist Mission.



#### NEWTOWNABBEY METHODIST MISSION



MEN ONLY Christmas Dinner on Thursday 18 December - starts at 6.30pm and finishes when the dishes are done! Special Speaker Rev Dr Harold Good OBE, Author, Peace Builder, Honorary Doctor, Retired Methodist Minister. Book a place early for your Festive Meal by contacting Committee Members (Reggie L, Robert L, Billy E,

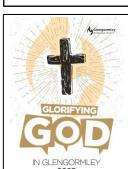
Stephen H, Dennison T, Trevor C, Jacko, Trevor H, Alan S) or phoning 07803 186364; opportunity to contribute to the Men Only 'chosen charity,' Labour in Faith and Trust, LIFT.



#### THE METHODIST CHILD CARE SOCIETY

An offering to support the work of the Child Care Society will be received at the Christmas Service. The Society was founded in 1897 as the CHILD CARE Methodist Orphan Society with the goal of providing financial assistance

in the maintenance, welfare and safety of children in need who are connected and actively involved with the Methodist Church.



We are delighted to share this wonderful booklet with you! Various members of our congregation have contributed to this testimony to God's faithfulness and we trust that you will be encouraged and inspired as you read their stories. There is one booklet per household and anyone who has not already received their copy is invited to take one today. Thank you to all involved in creating this booklet and to Fleming and Cuthbert for sponsoring it.



Blue Christmas is a quiet service offering hope and comfort to anyone who is finding the season difficult.

Gentle music, healing words from scripture and a chance to place an ornament on the tree in memory of a loved one.

You would be most welcome.

7.30pm – Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December St Brigid's Church, Ballyclare Road





FWO envelopes for 2026 are now ready for collection. Please speak to Brian or Ruth Bell who will be in the link area today. Standing Order forms are also available for those who wish to switch to this method of tithing.



Please remember that all contributions towards heat and light from church organisations

Silvulu be made before the end of December in order to be included in the 2025 accounts. Many thanks for your help with this very costly church expense.

The flowers







#### **UPDATE FROM COLIN AND SHARON**



To our Glengormley family we first of all would like to wish you all a Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year.

We have settled very well into Bloomfield and the Belfast East Circuit, our first Sunday was back at the start of September. It has been an extremely busy time, juggling the placement requirements with the study online through Cliff College, which brings with it various types of assignments and formation gatherings through Edgehill.

Thank you for your generosity, and your continued prayer support which is very much valued and appreciated, as we continue on our journey.

You are never far from our thoughts, and we pray God's richest blessings on you as you: 'Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises' Psalm 98 v 4 (NRSV)