

200 2010
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**Celebrating
200 years of
Methodism**

2010 is a very special year in the life of our Church in this village.

We shall soon be celebrating 200 years of Methodism in Freckleton.

For many, it will be a time for reminiscing, bringing out those old photographs, and meeting up with past friends.

For us all it is primarily a time to thank God for His faithfulness over the years.

So what's on offer?

Plans are well advanced to usher in an anniversary year packed with a plethora of events and activities to suit all tastes and ages

- ❖ Guest Preachers to lead a series of special services over the year
- ❖ Musical performances and Guest Soloists
- ❖ Social activities with opportunities to eat and laugh together
- ❖ Drama
- ❖ Concert spectacular
- ❖ A Recipe Book and Commemorative Mug - to buy and try
- ❖ The setting up of the 'TwentyTenFund' to aid an agricultural project in the Cameroon, West Africa (more details overleaf)

The old Hymn reminds us:

This, this is the God we adore
Our faithful, unchangeable friend,
Whose love is as great as His power
And neither knows measure nor end:

'Tis Jesus, the First and the Last,
Whose Spirit shall guide us safe home;
We'll praise Him for all that is past,
And trust Him for all that's to come.

So do come and find out more.

Engage and enjoy the experience and, perhaps be challenged by it!

Paul Ruddick

Minister



TwentyTenFund

What is it? Why have it?

This is a special Fund created for 2010 to: receive money from the sale of goods, hold entrance fees from celebration events and meals, and collect money which may be given as a thank-offering.

We do this as a way of saying thank you to God for His faithfulness over the last two hundred years and bring hope for the future.

What will the Fund be used for?

Linking in with Methodist Relief and Development Fund (MRDF) we will be partnering a Project in the Cameroon. This is an agricultural area (like Freckleton) but without the resources we enjoy here.

Our money will be used for:

- ❖ Teaching sustainable agricultural techniques and skills
- ❖ A micro-credit scheme to enable villagers to set up their own small businesses and improve their farmland
- ❖ Training in basic accountancy
- ❖ Propagation of medicinal plants and HIV/AIDS awareness



in short:

Hope and a better standard of living for disadvantaged people.

How much are we aiming for?

We trust that over the year we could collect at least £2010. Our pledge to MRDF is for 'TwentyTen' and for any amount over this to go into general funds for the church to use as it continues to seek the right way forward from here .

This is not beyond our ability because we are generous people and will want to support the various activities of the year.

2010 Outline Programme

Date	Event
Saturday 30 January	1900 Birthday Meal
Friday 26 February	1930 KEQMS Concert (with refreshments)
Sunday 4 April Easter Day	1000 Rev Paul Ruddick 1830 Rev Stephen Poxon - District Chair and former President of the Methodist Conference - Circuit Service
Saturday 24 April	1930 Talk by Peter Shakeshaft (with refreshments)
Sunday 16 May	1000 Rev Bill Davies - former President of Conference
Tuesday 18 May	Visiting Theatre Production (provisional)
Saturday 22 May	'1810' Tea featuring Young Church
Sunday 23 May	1000 Rev David Gamble - President of the Methodist Conference. Guest soloist - Joyce Tinsley 1830 Rev David Tidswell
Saturday 19 June	Club Day - with former Queens invited to join the procession
Sunday 20 June	Ecumenical Songs of Praise
Sunday 18 July	1000 Rev Judith Baldry Guest soloist - Frances Hughes 1830 Rev Judith Baldry
Sunday 15 August	1000 Rev David Ruddick
September	Concert Evening (date to be confirmed)
Sunday 19 September Harvest Festival	1000 Rev Paul Ruddick 1830 Songs of Praise