



Wesley
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The Methodist College in Cambridge since 1921

Newsletter

Michaelmas Term 2018

From the Principal

It has been a busy and productive summer season as we have prepared to welcome The Revd Dr Andrew Stobart as our new Director of Research, and our new full time, part time and distance students on doctoral and masters programmes.

At home we welcomed our DMin students for a fortnight, scholars from the global south for a conversation about Wesleyan theology, and two residential courses in pastoral supervision.

Out and about we participated in the Oxford Institute for Theological Studies, The Concordat between the United Methodist Church and the British Methodist Church and the meeting of the International Association of Methodist Schools, Colleges and Universities held at Roehampton University.

Now as the nights draw in we gather for the Michaelmas Term and look forward to building a new community with resident members from Fiji, Kenya, South Korea, Zambia, the UK and the USA.

Jane Leach

The new Director of Research sets up his office...



Children are back in residence at Wesley House for the first time since 2014.



Why not pray with us as we meet every day in the college chapel:

www.wesley.cam.ac.uk/prayer-space



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Wesley House becomes the UMC's LEaD Hub in Britain



Our first LEaD Hub event

was to host a group of 20 global south Methodist scholars who were reflecting together on the theme of decolonising Wesleyan Theology. Outcomes from the meeting included a stronger network and a commitment to publish some work together on this theme.

Bishop Bill MacAlilly and the Revd Dr Jane Leach sign the Hub Agreement at Westminster Central Hall.

This August the Methodist Church in Britain and the United Methodist Church signed a new Concordat to mark 50 years of co-operation. As part of this celebration Wesley House was unveiled as the latest of the United Methodist Church's global hubs for leadership, education and development. Wesley House will work alongside sister hubs in Argentina, Brazil, Cote d'Ivoire, Germany, Mozambique, The Philippines, South Africa, South Korea, Sweden and the USA in promoting pan-Methodist educational initiatives. [Read more online...](#)



Prof JC Park, President of the World Methodist Council and Dr Stuart Jordan, Chair of the Wesley House Trustees, host a dinner at St Catharine's College to mark the occasion.

New Courses in Pastoral Supervision - a success!

In August practitioners in pastoral supervision gathered from the Salvation Army, the Methodist Church in Britain, The Church of Ireland, the Baptist Union and the Church of England to embark together on a Diploma Course aimed at equipping them for senior accreditation as supervisors or simply as continuing development.

Excellent
throughout!



It felt like a coming of
age even though I was al-
ready a Senior Accredited
Supervisor

Creative,
varied,
engaging

Here course members are exploring the *Theological Compass*—a new tool for identifying theological tensions in ministry. The course looked at creative, group and theological processes for use in supervision.

Next year's places are already filling up. Book Now!

www.wesley.cam.ac.uk/supervision

Four new MA Courses Validated

We were delighted in June to receive validation for the Cambridge Theological Federation's four new MA degrees in theology. Designed to be flexible, ecumenical and global these awards are being taught in distance, intensive and classroom modes. If you're wanting to study from home part time or full time in Cambridge... check out our new Masters courses. [Apply now for a January 2019 or September 2019 start](#). Staff are from the Methodist, Reformed, Catholic and Orthodox traditions with teaching from global and interfaith perspectives. Learners are from these traditions and beyond and from all over the world.

Contemporary Ethics



Spirituality



Contemporary Faith and Belief



Pastoral Care & Chaplaincy



Easter School 2019: 'How can it be?'

An invitation to explore the mystery of the cross
15th to 17th April 2019

Book now: www.wesley.cam.ac.uk/easterschool

This course will also be available in an online format later in 2019

Joyful News!

Following in the long tradition established by Cliff College, Wesley House now has a monthly column in the Methodist Recorder. In September Carole Irwin explored the theme of pilgrimage.

In October Andrew Stobart will reflect on issues of leadership, drawing in global voices from the residential Wesley House community.



The full article will be published in Holiness & Leadership this month: www.wesley.cam.ac.uk/holiness

The Oxford Institute of Methodist Theological Studies

met this August. The Principal (in orange!) co-convened the Theological Education group where scholars from India, Russia, South Africa, South Korea, the UK and the USA gathered to reflect on the themes of revival and renewal. The Principal presented a paper arising from a focus group with British District Chairs on the impact of supervision in their ministries, exploring the ways in which renewal of energy, vocation and oversight relationships has come about through the introduction of supervision.



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New Fellow: Prof Simangaliso Kumalo

[Prof R Simangaliso Kumalo](#) is an Associate Professor of Religion and Governance at the University of KwaZulu-Natal Pietermaritzburg. He is also the immediate past-President of the Seth Mokitimi Methodist Seminary in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa (2016-2018). Simangaliso was on sabbatical with us in Cambridge last Easter and contributed magnificently to our Easter School. He is pictured here with Dr Stuart Jordan, Chair of Trustees and the Revd Carole Irwin, Director of Studies.



In August [Dr Kim Cape](#), Fellow, preached in Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford

at a covenant service for some 200 Wesleyan scholars at the Oxford Institute of Theological Studies.

Quoting her teacher at the Perkins School of Theology, Albert Outler, she said: “Any learned person can ask of any other learned person: What does your learning contribute to the sum of human wisdom, human joy, human happiness, dignity, fulfilment —personal and social?”

Congratulations to Margaret and Brian Beck

who celebrated their Diamond Wedding at Wesley House in August.



Farewell to Diane and Richard Clutterbuck

After a year as resident tutors Diane and Richard finally 'sit down' though in fact they both continue to work with us from a distance. We have hugely valued their experience, expertise and collegueship during the year.



Thank you to Dr Daleep Mukharji

who retires as an Honorary President of the Wesley House Friends in order to take up the Chair of the Strategy and Resources Committee of the British Methodist Church.



Congratulations

to the Revd Adam White and Mr Shuo-en Liang on the successful completion of their Diplomas in Theology for Ministry in the Faculty of Divinity.

[Read about Shuo-en's experience at Wesley House.](#)



Fellow, Prof Anthony Reddie receives A rating

Congratulations to [Prof Anthony Reddie](#) on receiving an award as a [leading international researcher](#) from the National Research Foundation of South Africa.

Anthony travelled to Port Elizabeth in September to receive the award. You could be taught by Anthony on our next DMin track: read on...



The Winds of the Spirit & Ministries for a Changing World.

The international DMin classrooms are an opportunity to engage in cross cultural learning with teachers from

around the world. They meet for two fortnights per year in Cambridge and all other learning is done from home. Applications close on 1st December 2018.

[Learn more here...](#)



New Fellow: Dr Zoë Bennett

This September we were delighted to welcome Dr Zoë Bennett as a Fellow of the College. Recently retired from directing the DProf degree for the Cambridge Theological Federation, Zoë is a feminist practical theologian. In 2017 she was awarded the Lanfranc Award for Education and Scholarship by the Archbishop of Canterbury. [Read more...](#)



Events this Michaelmas Term

"To Sound the Depths of Love Divine"

A workshop on the arts, spirituality and the Christian imagination. With the President of the British Methodist Conference and composer Sarah Rodgers. Saturday 1st December 2018. [Book here](#)



Exploring Wesleyan Theology and Spirituality—an online course beginning on 5th November.



This course offers an overview of the history and distinctive characteristics of Methodism, explores our place globally and ecumenically, and considers how we live out our Methodist heritage in the contemporary context. It will include contributions from The Revd Dr Brian Beck (former President of the Conference) on Methodist history and the global context, Rachel Lampard (JPIT Team Leader and former Vice-President of the Conference) on Methodism in contemporary society, as well as a virtual visit to Wesley's Chapel accompanied by superintendent minister The Revd Dr Jen Smith.

<https://methodiststudiesonline.eventbrite.co.uk>