

Looking at the Sky

A Quiet Day

On Ascension Day, Thursday 30th May
At Hartlip Methodist Church and Retreat Centre,



ME9 7TG

10 for 10.30 till 3.00

**Bring a packed lunch, drinks provided
Please contact Margaret Bowerman on
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if you know you would like to attend,
but also feel free to turn up on the day!**



**Circuit Prayer Diary
May 2019**



Thy Kingdom come Global Call to Prayer

**This year's dates are:
30th May (Ascension) -9th June(Pentecost)**

**Are you involved ?
Is your church involved**

**For more information go to
<http://www.thykingdomcome.global/>**

*This year's Methodist Novena booklets will be circulated soon.
Some of you will already have received a copy with Connexion magazine.*



On the website you will find details of more resources to order or download:

Resources for individuals, families, churches and bigger gatherings.

If you are running an event why not advertise it on the circuit website and Facebook page?

An extract from the website.

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray for more people to come to know Jesus. What started in 2016 as an invitation from the Archbishops of Canterbury and York to the Church of England has grown into an international and ecumenical call to prayer.

About Us

During the 11 days of Thy Kingdom Come, it is hoped that everyone who takes part will

- Deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ
- Pray for God's spirit to work in the lives of those they know
- Come to realise that every aspect of their life is the stuff of prayer

After the very first Ascension Day the disciples gathered with Mary, constantly devoting themselves to prayer while they waited for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Like them, our

reliance on the gift of the Holy Spirit is total – on our own we can do nothing.

Through the centuries Christians have gathered at that time to pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit. 'Thy Kingdom Come' picks up this tradition. Over the past three years more and more worshipping communities have dedicated the days between Ascension and Pentecost to pray 'Come Holy Spirit'.

We are praying that the Spirit would inspire and equip us to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with our friends and families, our communities and networks. It has been amazing how many varied ways there have been in which people from every tradition have taken up this challenge. The effects have been remarkable.

It is our prayer that those who have not yet heard the Good News of Jesus Christ and his love for the world will hear it for themselves, and respond and follow Him. Specifically, we again invite each and every Christian across the country to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 friends who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call.

Whether you have joined in 'Thy Kingdom Come' before or not, we invite you to take part this year – along with churches from over 65 different denominations in 114 countries around the world.

