



Our Sunday services are usually streamed live on the internet and video recorded. For GDPR purposes, it is presumed that people attending are happy to appear in it. If you would prefer not to, please feel free to sit near the back centre or back left as facing the front of the church which does not appear on film.

Sunday 12th July 2026

*Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
But trust Him for His grace.
Behind a frowning providence,
He hides a smiling face.*
William Cowper

Welcome to this week's e-news.

Please remember that Jonathan is on sabbatical until September. Please contact Bert or the deacons for any urgent matters.

If you, or someone you know, would like to sign children or young helpers up for the holiday club, please do that here: <https://monmouthbc.churchbox.co.uk/event/view/HC26> and pass it on to others.

To watch our services online, live or afterwards, please visit our youtube channel, and the service will show there: <https://www.youtube.com/c/monmouthbaptistchurch>

10:30am Morning Worship led by Bert. Job 16: 1 – 22

'You are miserable comforters!'

6:30pm Links Youth

6:30pm Evening Worship led by Simon Beber. Hebrews 7

'Jesus is the guarantee of a better covenant'

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 13th July

7:00pm Art Fringe – All welcome as many hands needed to help with art work for the Holiday Club. See notice below.

TUESDAY 14th July

9.45 – 11:30am Ladies' Bible Study (at Jo's)

10:30 – 11:30am Tuesday Coffee at Clare and Bob's tea rooms

3.00 – 4:00pm Men's Coffee at Clare and Bob's tea rooms.

7.30pm Church Meeting. All welcome to attend.

WEDNESDAY 15th July

9:30 – 11:30am Footprints

7:00pm Deacons' Meeting

THURSDAY 16th July

7:30 – 9:30pm Ladies' Bible study (at Mand's)

FRIDAY 17th July

7:30 – 8:30am Men's Breakfast and Bible study

No Ladies' Bible Study at Church led by Cat.

SATURDAY 18th July

3:00pm SOS (Serving our Streets). Meet at MBC.

6.00pm Singing Around the Fire, at Longtown (see notice below)

SUNDAY 19th July

10:30am Morning Worship led by Rev. Andrew Symes.

Ephesians 4: 1 – 16 'The miracle of the church'

6:30pm Evening Worship led by Paul Bufton. Hebrews 8

'Jesus the mediator of the New Covenant'

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

HOLIDAY BIBLE CLUB CRAFT



Do you like PRINGLES?

For our Holiday Bible Club Craft, we need lots of Pringles' cylinders (small or large). They don't need to have the name of Pringles on it; cheaper versions will do! Please save these and pass them on to Maria Weenink!

THANK YOU

"I would like to thank all my brothers and sisters in Christ at MBC for their prayers, love and support during the past six months. My haematologist has reported that my recent blood results were excellent and my bone marrow is back to normal so I am not needing any more chemotherapy treatment. I am so thankful to the Lord for his healing touch and am feeling a great deal better.

Thank you again for all your kind messages, prayers and encouragement. They have made a tremendous difference during a difficult time. God bless."

Janet Lloyd

NATIONAL YEAR OF READING 2026

Would you like to participate in a Summer Reading Challenge? 10ofthose.com have put together a fun reading challenge. There is a wide choice of books on different topics and they all have a Christian theme! Click on the link to discover more.

[National Year of Reading 2026 | Go All In](#)

David Adams

CHURCH MEETING

The next Church Meeting is on Tuesday 14th July, 7.30pm at MBC. All welcome to attend.

ART FRINGE AND HOLIDAY CLUB

For the next two weeks Art Fringe will start creating the set for the 'Deep Sea Divers' Holiday Club. The theme is 'The Ocean' – so we will be painting on a grand scale onto card board. Do please join us! Many hands make light work. Hopefully see plenty of you 7:00 – 9:00pm in the Centenary Room Monday 6th and 13th July.

Amanda Endicott

OUR DAILY BREAD

The next quarter of 'Our Daily Bread' July to September is in the foyer. Free for anyone who would like one.

Fiona Beber

CHURCH SUMMER PICNIC

Saturday 8th August
4pm with a byo picnic at 5pm
Garden games

At Rich and Liv's
The Mill, Oaklands Farm, Garway
HR28RE
What 3 words event.spin.motorist

Olivia McLachlan

RURAL CHURCHES NEWS: SINGING AROUND THE FIRE

Longtown is holding a 'Singing Around the Fire' event in their outdoor area on Saturday 18th July at 6pm. Hot food provided. All welcome, but please contact iepro1997@hotmail.co.uk with numbers if you are planning to attend.

Anne Sheppard

MEN'S BREAKFAST PLAN SUMMER 2026

	Leader:	Bible Passage
17	David	Mat 20: 17-34 Going to Jerusalem

WORLD FOCUS

NIGERIA

Islamist terrorists struck a secondary school in a Christian-majority area of Borno State, north-eastern Nigeria, on 29 June, abducting at least 45 pupils between the ages of 15 and 19 and two members of staff. Eight people, including the school's vice-principal, have been freed. Two teachers were killed. The armed assault on Government Day Secondary School in the town of Lassa, Askira-Uba Local Government Area (LGA), is believed to have been carried out by Islamic State West Africa Province (ISWAP). The incident occurred as pupils were taking national exams.

Askira-Uba is near Chibok, where more than 270 schoolgirls, mostly Christians, were abducted by Boko Haram in April 2014. More than 100 of the Chibok Girls are still missing.

Pray:- Pray urgently that those still being held by the terrorists will be released, safe and unharmed. Ask that all those affected will be healed of their trauma after their dreadful experience. Pray that Islamist terrorism in north-eastern Nigeria will be brought to an end.

Simon Beber

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please let us know if you would like the fellowship to pray for you.
Pray for a number of people in the church who are struggling with health,
with mobility and with the heat.

Please pray for God to raise up workers in His Harvest
in all the countries we are supporting as well as here in Monmouth.

Pray for the Holiday Bible Club at our church from the 10th to the 14th of August.
Also pray for Beach Missions, Summer Camps and Holiday Bible Clubs in other places.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Harvest Service	September 27th
Lee Abbey – Ladies’ Retreat weekend –	October 2nd – 4th
Jesus the evidence	October 4th 6:30pm
Church Anniversary weekend with guest John Funnell	October 24th - 25th

MBC GIVING

Thank you for your continued giving to the work of the Church. As an independent church we receive no outside help – only your gifts. Giving is a joyful part of committed discipleship. Please consider giving regularly to God’s work in our fellowship.

Use the Monmouth Baptist Church details for direct giving: Sort code 20-00-85, Account number 10615668. And, if you are a taxpayer, we can arrange for Gift Aid to claim tax back. There are boxes in the chapel for those who like to give in person.

Thank you again for giving to the Lord’s work here.

If you know anyone in the fellowship in financial need, we may be able to help from our Assistance Fund. Please contact Jonathan.

And if you would like to contribute to the Assistance fund, please make your gift in a marked envelope, or online indicating “Assistance Fund”

SPORTS

All ages and abilities are welcome, including friends or people who aren’t regular visitors to the church. Some events need to be booked in advance.

Football - Jim Barker and James Endicott runs 5 a-side football sessions, currently weekly on a Friday at 7pm. We have a membership of 40 players, but there is room for more! If you are interested in joining, please speak to Jim or James to be added to the Football WhatsApp Group.

We have introduced Pickleball to the fellowship, which is an all-age (U3A-approved) racket sport, which we are playing indoors. All are welcome to join us. Pickleball’s unique selling

point is that it can be learned in minutes without extensive coaching. If you'd like to know more then please reach out to Sean Lawson.

Basketball – Please ask for details.

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