



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 5th July 2026

'A man always enjoys the greatest peace of mind when he has once settled himself in a firm and steadfast belief of God's providence, and absolute dependence upon His design and will.'

Pasquier Quesnel (17th Century theologian)

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 3: 1 – 26

'What I feared has come to pass'

The service is followed by the Lord's Supper

6:30pm Links Youth

6:30pm Evening Worship led by David Adams: Hebrews 6

'Hope in Jesus, the anchor for the soul'

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY 6th July

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

TUESDAY 7th 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 Small Group Fellowship in local homes.

WEDNESDAY 8th July

9:30 – 11:30am Footprints

9.30 -12.30 pm On-line Level 2 Safeguarding training – see notice below.

THURSDAY 9th July

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

FRIDAY 10th July

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

9:30 – 11:30am Ladies' Bible Study (at Church led by Cat)

SATURDAY 11th July

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

SUNDAY 12th July

10:30am Morning Worship led by Bert. Job

**6:30pm Evening Worship led by Simon Beber. Hebrews 7
'Jesus is the guarantee of a better covenant'**

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

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

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

For anybody who has been asked to do safeguarding training but can't travel to in-person events, there is one online course coming up:

- Wednesday 8th July Online Level 2, 9.30 am -12.30 pm

You can email

<mailto:office@swba.org.uk> or call 07389 728 669 to book your place.

Emma Lawson

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

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Olivia McLachlan

MEN'S BREAKFAST PLAN SUMMER 2026

	Leader:	Bible Passage	
10	JIM	Mat 20:1-16	Workers
17	David	Mat 20: 17-34	Going to Jerusalem

WORLD FOCUS

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC of CONGO (DRC)

Islamic State Central Africa Province (ISCAP) claimed the killing of six believers on 3 June, followed by another eight on 24 June. Both massacres took place in the village of Mungbere, Watsa Territory, Haut-Uélé Province. It appears to be the first time that ISCAP fighters have targeted Christians in Haut-Uélé. In attacks on 11 June and 13 June in Beni Territory, North Kivu, 11 Christians were shot and killed. Another believer was beheaded in Mayangose, Ituri, on 20 June. ISCAP has now claimed the killing of around 1,155 Christians in north-eastern DRC since its campaign of jihadi violence escalated in December 2024. In typical and historical Islamic fashion, its fighters will demand that Christians and Jews convert to Islam or accept dhimmi status or face death. Dhimmi status means living under Islamic rule, accepting many humiliating rules and regulations that effectively mean you are a 3rd class citizen and paying jizya tax.

Pray:- Ask the Lord to prevent the spread of Islamist violence in north-eastern D. R. Congo. Pray that the terrorists who threaten the lives and the faith of His people will be defeated. Ask that our brothers and sisters will remain strong in Christ despite their suffering.

Leaflets and Tracts

There are tracts on the table in the foyer. We have purchased them for anyone to take and use in their personal evangelism.

Sometimes it can be difficult to strike up a conversation about Christ and even trepidation about doing so. But handing someone a tract can be an icebreaker to further conversation or simply leaving them with something they can read in their own time.

Please do use them.

Simon Beber

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please let us know if you would like the fellowship to pray for you.

Please pray for God to raise up workers in His harvest here.

Pray for a number of people in the church who have had falls, are in hospital or having treatment at the moment.

Pray for the Holiday Club and our summer outreach

God is Sovereign over His world, we can go to Him for help in time of need, and we can talk to Him about the nations of the earth.

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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