



## COMING SOON...

### ❖ **Service of Healing and Wholeness**

Methodist Women in Britain are holding an Iona style service of prayer for Healing and Wholeness on *Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January* at 2:30pm at Victoria Hall. For more information see the poster at the back of church.

### ❖ **WEADS Amateur Dramatic Society**

WEADS will be presenting the pantomime "Snow White" from *Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> February* at 7:15pm with a Saturday matinee at 2:15pm at Walkley Ebenezer. Tickets are priced £5 for adults and £3 for children and are available from Brian and Sue Mills.

### ❖ **Made In Dagenham:**

Methodist Women in Britain have organised a special showing of the film *Made in Dagenham* at the Showroom cinema on *Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March* at 10:30am. This is in solidarity with International Women's Day and Millennium Development Goal 3, 'Promote Gender Equality and empower women.' We have 110 tickets to sell so hope you can spread the word far and wide about it. Tickets are available from circuit MWiB secretaries or from Chris Simmonds on [REDACTED] or [REDACTED].

## AND FINALLY...

### ❖ **Help With TRIBE**

TRIBE are looking for people to help during the Sunday morning sessions. No preparation is required but we need one other person go out along with the leader each week. If you are interested in helping, please see Sue Chapman or Carole Gray.

### ❖ **Church Flowers**

A new flower list is now up on the notice board at the back of church. If you wish to donate, please fill in the date of your choice. Many thanks to everyone who generously gave for flowers during 2011.

## PLEASE PRAY...

The number of Christians killed in Islamic extremist attacks has risen still further, following the Christmas Day suicide bombing in Plateau State, which left at least 45 Christians dead. On 5 January, eight believers were killed and 19 wounded when members of the Boko Haram group emerged from a mosque near the Deeper Life Bible Church in Gombe, capital of Gombe state, and shot Christians attending a weekly meeting known as 'The Hour of Revival'. Two days later, another victim, Silas Ugboeze, died of his injuries, bringing the death toll to nine. Ugboeze's son Gideon was also killed, and two of his other children were also shot. Ugboeze's widow was overcome with grief at the hospital, able to say only, "Lord, where are you? This burden is too much for me to bear." About 45 people were present at the service when it was attacked, said the church's pastor, Sunday Okoli. His wife, Chinyere, said a bullet struck her head but left only a light wound and bruising. "We had been in the church for about one hour and 30 minutes praying, when suddenly we heard gunshots and bullets hitting us," she said. "Blood was flowing as our members were shot by the gunmen."

The attacks marked the second time in less than a month that the Deeper Life Bible Church in Gombe has mourned the killing of one of its members. On 11 December, Patrick Ugoji was shot dead by Muslim militants at a petrol station, while filling his car's tank.

Please pray:

- For healing for those injured in the violence and comfort for those who have been traumatised or bereaved
- For wisdom for President Goodluck Jonathan and the government of Nigeria, as they try to bring peace to the troubled region
- That Christians will have the grace to forgive, despite the provocation.

The editor for the month of January is Matt. Please place items for the newsletter in the pigeon hole, send an e-mail to [newsletter@wesleyhall.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@wesleyhall.org.uk) or call Matt on [REDACTED] by Wednesday evening