



King's Cross Methodist Church

11th October 2026

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“The Word in the World” Devotional Sharing

Bible Translation and Mission

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People come to know the truth through the Bible and make a commitment to follow Jesus Christ. Those who have believed in Jesus continue to understand God's truth through the Scriptures, allowing their lives to be transformed. But how can people truly understand biblical truth so that their lives may be changed? Besides the work of the Holy Spirit, the Bible in one's mother tongue is indispensable. A mother tongue is the language through which parents and children communicate, reaching deep into the heart. Therefore, the Bible in one's native language speaks not only to the mind but also to the heart. Reading Scripture in one's mother tongue enables a heart-to-heart conversation between God the Father and the reader. As Ezekiel 36:26 says, "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you." When people understand God's Word deeply in their hearts, they are moved to follow the mind of Christ, place Jesus at the centre of their lives, turn away from evil, do good, and worship God in spirit and truth.

Today there are approximately 7,349 known languages in the world. Of these, 736 have the complete Old and New Testaments, while 3,736 have no Bible translation at all. ¹Some mission organisations focus on Bible translation as their core ministry. Working in over one hundred countries worldwide, they strive to ensure that every language community in need of Scripture translation can understand God's Word and His love through their own language and culture. (Papua New Guinea alone has more than 800 languages, making it the most linguistically diverse country in the world.)

Bible translation missionaries are people who love languages and written communication. Called by God to serve among language communities, they learn local languages and cultures and work alongside native Bible translators. The books most commonly translated first include the Gospel of Matthew, the Gospel of Mark, the Gospel of Luke, Acts, Jonah, Ruth, and portions of Genesis. Some native translators have never previously heard the Gospel. Through the process of translating Scripture, they come to accept Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour and Lord. Together with pioneer church-planters, they establish churches and may go on to become church leaders or ministers.

In addition, Deaf people live in a world without sound, and sign language, a visual language, is their heart language. Today there are more than 300 sign languages worldwide. Some missionaries are dedicated to helping Deaf communities understand God's Word by translating the Bible into sign language. These translations are then produced as videos, enabling Deaf people to access biblical truth through visual media.

The ministries associated with Bible translation also include solar-powered audio Bibles, the Jesus Film, Scripture engagement programmes, literacy education, dictionary development, ethnic arts, trauma healing, and more. This demonstrates that Bible translation organisations seek to integrate mission, education, and service. Through Bible translation, they share the Gospel with language communities; through literacy programmes and educational materials, they help people learn to read

and write in their own languages; and through community service, they assist language groups in preserving and valuing their languages and cultures.

Ultimately, the Methodist Church has long sought to combine mission, service, and education, all flowing from Christ's love and grace. This reminds us that mission is not merely the narrow task of "preaching the Gospel." It is also about sharing Christ's love and grace through social service and education. It is a practical, lived expression of mission. Bible translation is therefore one important form of missionary work, entering into another people's language and culture in order to share the love and grace of Christ in their own mother tongue.

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Church Family News Sharing

1. **【Children's Choir Recruitment】** Finished Sunday School in the morning and wondering where to take your children in the afternoon? Why not stay and join the Children's Choir! Starting in October, the choir will meet on the second and fourth Sundays of each month, from 1:30 pm to 3 pm. Through learning the background stories behind hymns and worship songs, basic music theory, singing, and performance training, children will learn about worship and God's truth through music while enjoying a meaningful Sunday afternoon. All children who love singing are warmly invited to join! If you are interested, please contact Church Administrator for more information and registration.
2. The Safeguarding Training course will be held on Sunday, 18th October, at 1:30 pm in the Small Chapel. No registration is required; please arrive on time. If you have any questions, please contact Church Administrator from the Cantonese Congregation.
3. Chinese Congregation, Epsom Methodist Church is generously standing with us in great support of King's Cross Methodist Church's redevelopment. While celebrating their own 30th Anniversary Thanksgiving Celebration, they have kindly dedicated the event as a fundraiser for our church redevelopment cause, held on Saturday, 24th October 2026 at 4pm — timed at the start of the October half-term, making it a perfect family outing for parents and children alike. Join us at Epsom Methodist Church, 11–13 Ashley Rd, Epsom KT18 5AQ, for Hong Kong street food, game booths, and an arts & crafts charity sale — free entry, all are welcome. Please bring your family and friends to support this meaningful cause; for enquiries, contact Church Administrator.
4. Winter Night Shelter will resume at our church from 5th November to 26th March (every Thursday night to Friday morning). We are now recruiting volunteers to serve in a variety of roles and time slots. Please refer to the “Meetings and Activities” section for further details. For enquiries and registration, please contact: Deacon Melissa Wheeler or Church Administrator. The night shelter is run in partnership with C4WS, a local homelessness charity. We cannot provide this important ministry without a team of willing volunteers. Every Thursday night until 16th March, we will welcome around 16 guests, offering a warm and welcoming place to stay. Guests can enjoy a hot meal, an evening of companionship, a shower, a warm bed for the night, and breakfast in the morning.
5. **UPDATE** - The church will hold a Baptism, Confirmation and Transfer of Membership United Service on 20th December. If you are interested in applying or would like further

information, please contact the Church Administrator or Lay Worker by 8th November. Please note that the Baptism and Membership Classes will be held online on the following Monday evenings: 23rd November, 30th November, 7th December & 14th December. Time: 8 pm – 9:30 pm.

6. Next year's Spring Conference (29th March to 1st April 2027) will be organized by our church, with Professor Joseph Sung as the speaker. Please refer to the “Meetings & Events” section on the last few pages for the event poster. Registration details will be announced in due course. As there are many tasks and arrangements involved, we greatly need brothers and sisters to serve together in unity. If you feel led to help with the preparations, please contact Church Administrator.
7. **【Moldova Short-Term Mission】** We are planning to join OM (Operation Mobilisation) for a short-term mission in Moldova. Date: 15th –21st April 2027. Location: Moldova. Ministries: Elderly Home visits, care-home cleaning & gardening, children’s and youth ministry, home visits, Bible stories telling, testimonies, games and drama. FEE for Ages 0-3: Free; Ages 3-6: £100 per person; Ages 7-12: £150 per person; Ages 13 or Above (including adults): £300 per person (Excluding flights & visa). Deadline: 20th December 2026. Brothers, sisters and families are welcome! Participants require pastoral recommendation, a valid visa and DBS check. Unable to join? You are also welcome to support the team through a donation. Enquiries: Church Administrator.
8. **【Property Ministry Volunteer Recruitment】** The Property Ministry is seeking volunteers to support the maintenance and upkeep of the church premises. This is an opportunity to contribute to the life of the church by using your gifts and skills in areas such as administration, team communication, and DIY (basic repairs), as we serve our spiritual home together in love. For enquiries or to register your interest, please contact Church Administrator.
9. **【Appointment of Holy Communion Stewards】** At the Council meeting held on 20th September, the Council approved the appointment of six additional Holy Communion Stewards. They are Sister Lee and Sister Cheng, representatives of the International Service, and four Local Preachers (On Note): Sister Wong, Sister Kong, Sister Chiu and Sister Townson.
10. The Children’s Sunday School Discipleship Team is launching the “Hands of Prayer” Ministry, with the hope of cultivating a culture of prayer and mutual care within the Children’s Sunday School and the wider church community. The “Hands of Prayer” display is currently on the wall of Room L in the basement. Brothers and sisters are encouraged to place their hands on the corresponding handprints and pray according to the prayer points, lifting up the children, teachers, and teaching assistants in prayer.
11. **【Reusing Sunday Service Flowers】** To avoid waste and allow the Sunday Service flowers to become a blessing to others, the church flower arranging team will turn the flowers into

bouquets after the Cantonese Service each week and give them to elderly church members and brothers and sisters who need pastoral visits. If you are planning to visit someone that week and would like a bouquet, please contact Church Administrator in advance. (*Limited quantities are available on a first-come, first-served basis.*) The flower arranging team also welcomes brothers and sisters who are interested in learning flower arranging or how to wrap bouquets to sign up and participate.

12. LiFEgame will be held from 21st to 23rd December in Northampton. Those who register on or before 31st October can enjoy the Super Early Bird rate of £160 per person. If you have not attended before, you are strongly encouraged to join this life-changing journey. For enquiries or registration, please refer to the “Meetings and Events” section on the last few pages or visit: <http://lifegame.co.uk/join-lifegame/>

Meetings & Events



Winter Night Shelter – Volunteers Needed

Thursday evenings from Thursday 5th November 2026 to 16th March 2027

🕒 Front of House – 6.30–9.45 pm

A team of **4 volunteers** to help set up beds and refreshments, welcome guests, spend time chatting, and perhaps enjoy a board game together. Volunteers eat dinner with the guests.

🕒 Evening Meal – 6.30–9.30 pm

A team of **2 volunteers** to help prepare and serve the evening meal.

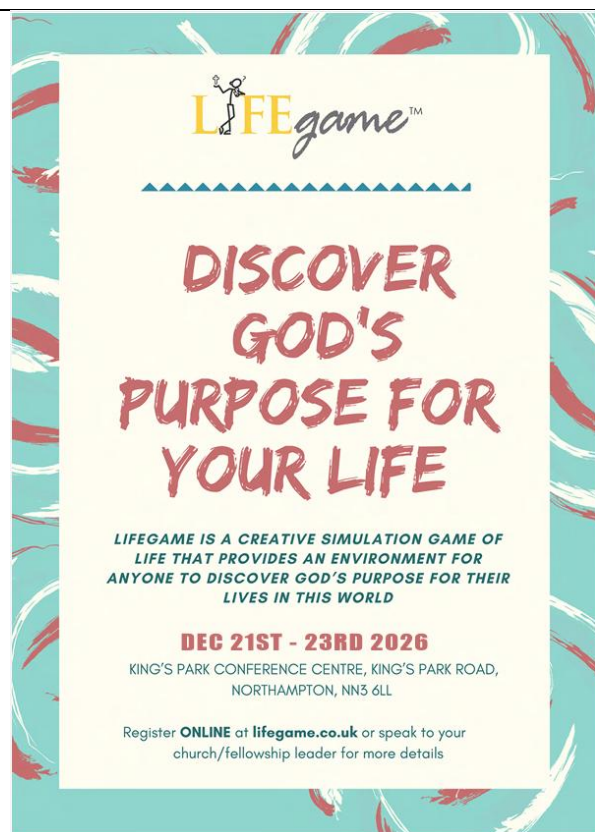
🌙 Overnight – 9.45 pm–7.15 am

2 overnight volunteers are needed. Volunteers sleep separately from the guests and are there to respond in case of an emergency. **You are not expected to stay awake overnight.**

🕒 Breakfast – Friday, 7.00–9.00 am

A team of **2 volunteers** to prepare and serve breakfast and then help pack away the mattresses and bed linen.

Enquiries & Registration: Deacon Mel Wheeler



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£180 - Early Bird Price (Promotion ends 30th Nov 2026)
£200 - Standard Price (Application Deadline 11th Dec 2026)

Register **ONLINE** at lifegame.co.uk or speak to your church/fellowship leader for more details

英國華人循道會春令會 2027

CHINESE METHODIST MISSION (UK) SPRING CONFERENCE

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傳道書 — 從大衛的生平看所羅門的智慧
Ecclesiastes — The Wisdom of Solomon
through the Life of David



沈祖堯教授

講員 SPEAKER

29 MAR – 1 APR 2027

The Hayes Conference Centre
Alfreton, DE55 1AU

費用 FEE

成人 Adults	£260
6-16歲 Ages 6-16	£110
6歲以下 Under 6	免費 Free
日營 Day Camp	£57/日day

報名截止 DEADLINE
31 Jan 2027



MOLDOVA

MISSION TRIP 2027

SERVE, LOVE, AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE

MISSIONARY OF MOLDOVA

Date: 15 - 21 April 2027

OUR MINISTRIES

- ELDERLY HOME CLEANING GARDENING AND SIMPLE MAINTENANCE
- CHILDREN PROGRAM
- TESTIMONY SHARING
- GAMES
- YOUTH PROGRAM
- HOME VISIT
- BIBLE STORY TELLING
- DRAMA

CRITERIA & REQUIREMENTS

- PASTORAL REFERENCE
- LEGAL VISA FOR ENTRY
- DBS CHECK

Registration closes on: 20 December 2026

FEE:

* Below 3 :	FREE
* 3-6 Years Old:	£100
* 7-12 Years Old:	£150
* 13 Years Old / Above and Adult:	£300

(EXCLUDING AIR TICKET & VISA)

FAMILIES ARE WELCOMED!

JOIN US! Register now
For more information, please contact Terry Leung

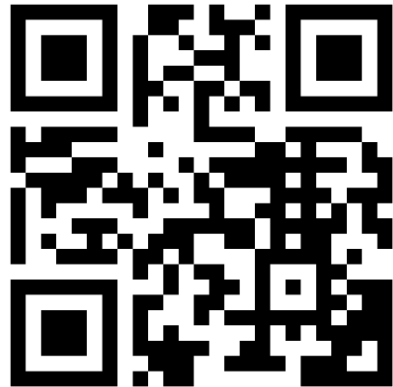
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