"The Word in the World" Devotional Sharing

Proclaiming the Gospel of Peace in London **The Herald (September 2026) P.8-9**

London, UK: 1st–10th July

At the beginning of July, the London Loved By God summer outreach took place. A team from the Far East arrived in the UK to reach out to Jewish Londoners and tourists, working alongside London missionaries Sarah Chan and Ida Tam.

Jesus? We like him!

One of the London team, Connie, was handing out "Shalom" gospel leaflets when she noticed a Jewish man waiting for a bus. She offered him a leaflet. Looking at it, the man said, "Shalom…Do you know what it means?"

Connie told him she knew it meant peace, adding that she was a Christian who believes true peace comes from Jesus. She was not prepared for what the man said next.

"Jesus? Oh yes, I know Jesus. We like him."

Connie thought she must have heard him wrong – surely an Orthodox Jewish man wouldn't "like" Jesus – but he went on to explain what he meant.

"This is my personal opinion, and I hope it won't offend you," he told her. "I think the rabbis were too harsh with Jesus. He did some really bad things, but they pushed him too harshly. Maybe they could have pushed with one hand, but they pushed him with both hands and that was too harsh. So, he went and started Christianity."

Connie asked where this line of thinking came from and was told it was from the Talmud. She told the man, "Now I've heard your story about Jesus, let me tell you mine." The man was ready to listen but, just then, his bus arrived and he had to leave.

Despite this being a brief and interrupted encounter, please pray that the man's sympathy towards Jesus and the gospel leaflet he received will work together for good and lead him to salvation.

A visit of comfort and hope

Ida and a member of the team named Grace, visited Max and Jenny, a Jewish couple.

Grace met Jenny during last year's London Summer School of Jewish Evangelism. After Summer School, Ida followed up with Jenny and met Max. Due to Jenny's illness however, she hadn't seen them for some time.

So Ida and Grace visited again. Max answered the door and quickly shared that Jenny had passed away. Ida and Grace were very sad to hear this.

As they caught up, Max shared how much he missed his wife. Because of his limited mobility and the deep grief of losing her, he has struggled with depression over the past few months. He told them he had found help in Isaiah 40, through which God says, "Comfort, comfort my people..."

Ida and Grace listened to Max and sought to comfort him in his grief. Before parting, they gave him a booklet called Messiah, containing the testimonies of five Jewish believers whose lives were transformed by Jesus. He gladly accepted it and they encouraged him to read it.

While saying goodbye, Ida and Grace also told Max that they would continue to pray for him. He thanked them both warmly for the visit and for caring.

As Ida follows up with Max, please pray that God will grant him the peace and comfort that only come through salvation in Jesus.

Growth 成長
Inclusiveness 包容
Evangelism 宣教
Justice 公義

King's Cross Methodist Church
International Service
1st November 2026

Church Family News Sharing

1. **Staff News: Deacon Melissa Wheeler will attend Queen's Theological College from 3rd to 6th November for further studies. Additionally, Rev. Linberg Wong and Deacon Melissa Wheeler will be attending the retreat from 9th to 11th November.**

2. **To support the church's current livestreaming, social media and YouTube ministries, and to protect the personal data and privacy of all congregation members, please complete and return the GDPR form provided by the Methodist Church. Forms are available from the reception desk near the Birkenhead Street entrance. If you have any questions, please contact our Church Administrator. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.**

3. **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.**

4. **As the colder months approach, donations of warm clothing for the Winter Night Shelter would be greatly appreciated. For all enquiries and donations, please contact Deacon Melissa Wheeler.**

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: 23nd November, 30th November, 7th December & 14th December. Time: 8 pm – 9:30 pm.**

6. **With the change of the time of our church's Sunday activities (Sunday School, Youth Fellowship, Mandarin Worship, English Worship), all future United Service and Circuit Service will be uniformly changed to 10:30am. This is to avoid chaos and to facilitate appropriate arrangements for Sunday School and Youth Fellowship when they do not participate in United Service under some special circumstances.**

7. **The Christmas Cantata, organised by Epsom Methodist Church, will take place in our church hall at 1:30pm on Sunday, 6th December, following the united service. This year's programme will feature special stage effects and a rich and exciting presentation. Brothers and sisters are warmly invited to save the date and join us in celebrating the joy and blessings of Christmas!**

8. **We are thankful that this year's Christmas carolling outreach has been approved by National Rail! The event will take place at King's Cross Station at 3pm on Sunday, 20th December. This year's theme is "Good News of Great Joy — Jesus Christ Is Born!" Through carols, Bible readings and a children's Nativity presentation, we will share the good news of the birth of Jesus Christ with the local community. Brothers and sisters who feel led to participate are warmly invited to join us in sharing the joy of Christmas through music and personal testimony. If you would like to take part, please register with our Church Administrator.**

9. **【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.**

10. **LiFEgame will be held from 21st to 23rd December in Northampton. Those who register on or before 30th November can enjoy the 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

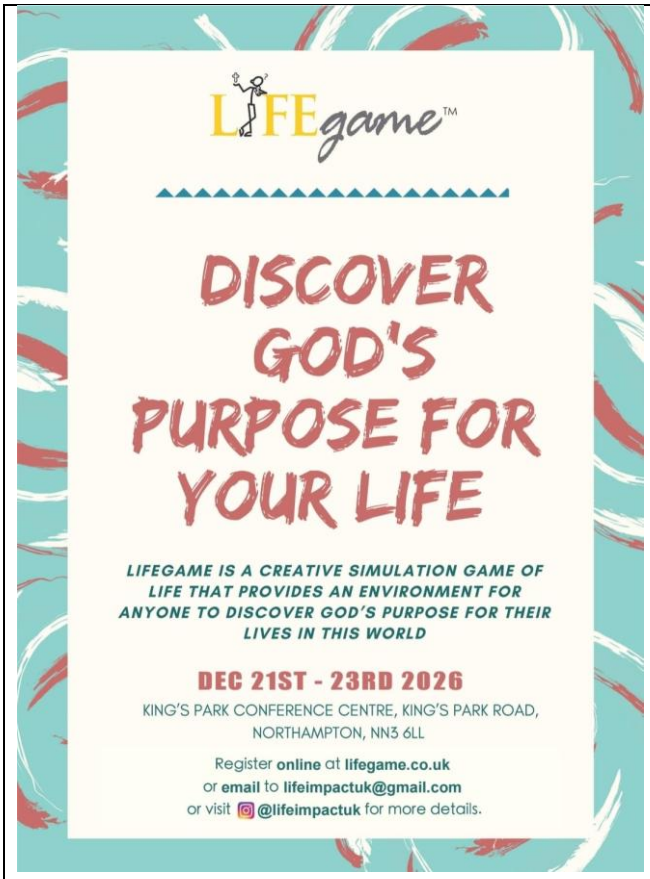
Front of House – 6.30–9.45 pm
A team of **4 volunteers** to help set up beds and refreshments, welcome guests, spend time chatting, and perhaps enjoy a board game together. Volunteers eat dinner with the guests.

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



In a world where truth is often veiled and individuals are increasingly driven by money, success, relationships and power, the Christian message in LIFEgame is both counter-cultural and prophetic.

LIFEgame is currently being run in ***16 different countries*** with over ***250 participating churches*** and over ***50,000 participants.*** Both engaging and relevant to people of all ages and faiths, LIFEgame challenges anyone to live a purposeful and authentic life. This isn't just a time to travel to a different location or spend time with friends.

It is refreshing and life-changing.

REGISTER EARLY FOR SUBSIDISED FEES

£160 - Early Bird Price (Promotion ends 30th Nov 2026)
£170 - Standard Price (Application Deadline 11th Dec 2026)

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