On the following days you are invited to pray for:

1. Chair of Sheffield District

Revd Gill Newton in her final year as District Chair

2. Sheffield Circuit:

Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners

3. Derbyshire North East Circuit:

Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners

4. Peak Circuit:

Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners

5. Doncaster Circuit:

Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners

6. Barnsley Circuit:

Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners

7. Rotherham & Dearne Valley Circuit:

Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners

8. Trinity Circuit:

Ministers, churches and ecumenical partners

9. Supernumerary Presbyters and Deacons

Giving thanks for their years of service and commitment

10. Widows/Widowers of Ministers

Recognising and giving thanks for their support and service

- 11. Local Preachers and Leaders of Worship
- 12. Circuit and Church Stewards

13. Cliff College

Lecturers, staff and students

14. District Children & Youth Co-ordinator Victoria Loveday and all those involved in Children, Youth and Families work

15. The One Interns

that their year may be blessing to all they encounter

16. Methodist Church Schools, Staff and pupils:

Bakewell Methodist Academy; Emmanuel Junior Academy; St Andrews CE/Methodist Aided Primary School

17. District Mission Enabler

Neil Harland

18. Peak Park Rural Development Enabler:

Deacon Lorraine Brown

19. Persian Ministry Development Enabler

Arman Ghamari

20. All those involved in **Pioneering Ministry** and **Chaplaincy Work**

21. District Safeguarding

Alison Hill (DSO) & the District Safeguarding Group

22. Circuit and Church Safeguarding Officers

23. District Communications Officer Sam Roberts

24. Missional Property Enabler: Tom Rattigan

25. District Administrator Katrin Hackett

- 26. Circuit and Church Administrators,
 Office Workers and Buildings
 Managers
- 27. Circuit and District Groups and Committees
- 28. The Yorkshire West District; The Yorkshire North & East District
- 29. The Connexional Staff and Learning Network
- 30. Your own church

31. Revd Vicky Atkins

as she prepares to take up the role of District Chair in September 2025



For some this year may be one in which difficult decisions will need to be made about their future.

Pray for all those involved in such processes as they discern how best to fulfil God's mission in a peaceful and amicable way.

Holy God, in thanks and praise we magnify your name for every sign of your love and presence in daily life.

By your grace, those excluded sit at the table, those fleeing danger have sanctuary, bread is shared, tears are shed, and joy spills over with hope.

Thank be to you, Holy God, for the witness and inspiration of all who in your name stand up with courage and challenge for justice and righteousness.

We bless you for you nourish us in our thirst for righteousness, when we are lonely or faint-hearted you strengthen us with companions along the way.

Bring us to never kneel down before injustice, intimidation or oppression, and to never grow weary in upholding justice, mercy and humility.

Amen Revd Inderjit Bhogal

God is among breaking down barriers; God is loving, God is good

God is among us challenging prejudice; God is loving, God is good

God is among us healing communities

God is loving, God is good

God is amount us calling us to get involved; God is loving, God is good

> Church Action on Poverty/ Let's End Poverty

Gracious God,
we are so grateful for the gift of prayer,
for the way in which it deepens our
relationship with you,
makes a difference in the lives of those for
whom we pray
and is transformational in our own lives too.

We pray that you would help each of us, by your Spirit, to recognise the importance of holding each other in prayer as we journey together through this year, sharing in your mission in this district, "for such a time as this!"

In the name of Christ, Amen.

Revd Gill Newton District Chair

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Sheffield Methodist District Prayer Diary 2024/25

Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Isaiah 1:17a (NIV)