

**Membership of the Methodist Church Music Society is open to all - individuals, families, churches, or associated groups.
Everyone is welcome.**

To join MCMS, obtain an enrolment form from John Bailey or Michael Boxall (details below) or download one from the MCMS web site - <http://www.methodistmusic.org> and return it, together with your remittance, to our Membership Officer:

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LEADING MUSIC in WORSHIP



How it began . . .

In 1996 the Methodist Conference asked the Methodist Church Music Society (MCMS) to produce a training resource to help those people with responsibility for leading music in worship. After much deliberation MCMS Training Committee produced, piloted and refined the training package entitled

”Leading Music in Worship”

This training package has been designed for use by all denominations and aims to improve and enhance music in worship.

Who is the course for?

those with an interest in music and with some musical skill, however basic.

Why the course?

- Many people have musical skills not being used.
- Many churches are asking for help with music.

The course offers:

- An opportunity to enhance existing musical & leadership skills.
- Help to widen the vision of musical possibilities.
- Opportunities to discuss the musical needs of different congregations.
- A widening of individual vision and understanding of the role of music in worship.

Topics covered include:

- Role of the Music Worship Leader.
- Leading worship with the voice.
- Leading from an instrument.
- Managing a Music Group.
- Planning worship and communication needs.

The commitment

- 10 two-hour sessions.
- Small charge to cover cost of materials and certificate.

The course is designed to be led by a local tutor and an ideal group size is between 10 and 15 participants. These may be musicians from churches in the same Circuit, from adjoining Circuits, drawn from across a District or an ecumenical group from a number of churches situated in the same locality.

If there is sufficient demand our Training Officer, Revd. Neil Thompson at tntmus@hotmail.com or Tel: 01252 544823 will arrange a weekend "Training the Trainers" session for a group of people who wish to lead a local course. Those attending will:

- be introduced to the purpose of the course,
- be led through each of the course sessions,
- become familiar with the equipment needed,
- be given advice on how to get the best from the course, both for the leader and participants,
- have the opportunity for discussions with people who are very familiar with the course.

Through Neil, MCMS can also assist you to arrange your own training days/weekends at District, Circuit or local church level by providing advice, resources and leaders.

"Leading Music in Worship" is now available from Methodist Publishing House, 4 John Wesley Road, Peterborough, PE46ZP, TeL 01733 325002, price £10 + £1-50 p&p.

For further information about "Leading Music in Worship" or for enquiries about any discount available to MCMS members, contact John Bailey, details on back page.