

# WATERWAY: TO SPREAD THE GOSPEL

During mid-May, Revd Paul Davis will be making a linear pilgrimage through the Lancashire Methodist District as he walks stretches of the Leeds-Liverpool canal. Last year was the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the Leeds and Liverpool canal in its full length of 127 miles and it runs through many of our townships in the Lancashire District.

Paul intends to visit the Methodist churches and schools closest to the canal and, at each one, meet members of the church or school, hear their story and spend some time in prayer. His aim is to commence in the south of the District at Adlington and then follow the line of the canal during consecutive days to Barnoldswick in the east of the District.

A summary of his proposed itinerary is as follows

<b>Friday 12th May</b>	<b>Distance approximately</b> Adlington Methodist URC Chorley Methodist Church Brinscall School Hillside Methodist Church	<b>11 miles</b> 09:45 11:45 (Lunch) 14:15 15:30
<b>Saturday 13th May</b>	<b>Distance approximately</b> Withnell Fold Methodist Church Feniscowles Methodist Church St Paul's Methodist Church	<b>7 miles</b> 10:30 11:45 (Lunch) 13:45
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Distance approximately</b> Arthur Wilson Centre, Clayton  Rishton Methodist Church West End Methodist Church Antley Methodist Church	<b>6 miles</b> 10:30 Rev Paul Davis to lead morning worship. * 12:45 (Lunch) 14:30 15:45
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Distance approximately</b> Hapton Methodist Church Hapton Methodist/CE School Greenbrook Methodist Church Padiham Road Methodist Church Wellfield Methodist/CE Primary Burnley Central Methodist Church	<b>8 miles</b> 09:30 10:00 11:15 12:30 (Lunch) 13:45 15:15
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Distance approximately</b> Thompson Park Burnley Brierfield Methodist Church Christ Church Nelson St John's Colne	<b>8 miles</b> 10:30 ** 11:45 (Lunch) 13:30 15:30
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Distance approximately</b> Higherford Methodist Church St Andrew's Baptist / Methodist	<b>6 miles</b> 10:30 (Lunch Foulridge) 14:15

Anyone is welcome to join Paul in walking either the whole or part of the route, or even part of the day. The above timings are also approximate and may be changed subject to weather conditions or unavoidable circumstances.

## **Suggestions for travel arrangements for fellow travellers**

### **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May**

For those people intending to complete the full walk, it may be helpful to share lifts, such that vehicles are left at either end of the linear walk in order to return to the start!

For those people choosing to use public transport then the following may be useful. Please check times nearer to the start date to confirm timings.

#### **Brinscall to Adlington by bus**

Brinscall School Lane dep: Bus 24	15:35	16:40
Chorley Bus Station arr:	15:55	17:00
Chorley Bus Station dep: Bus 125	16:06	17:06
Adlington arr:	16:17	17:17

### **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May**

#### **Blackburn to Withnell Fold by bus**

Blackburn dep: Bus 24 (Stand A)	16:06	17:06
Blackburn Road Higher Wheelton	16:39	17:39

Walk from Higher Wheelton to Withnell Fold approximately 20 minutes.

### **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May**

#### **Accrington to Clayton-le-Moors by bus**

Church (opposite Alleytroyds) dep	Bus 7	15:41	17:06
Sparth House Clayton-le-Moors		16:00	17:36

### **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May**

#### **Burnley to Hapton by bus**

Burnley Bus Station (Stand 4) dep	Bus M3	16:40	17:10
Hapton arrive		17:09	17:39

#### **Burnley to Hapton by train**

Burnley Central dep	17:20
Hapton arr.	17:45

### **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May**

#### **Colne to Burnley by bus**

Bus stop outside St John's Church dep. Bus M1	1608 (X43)	16:25
Burnley (Thompson Park gates)	16:50	16:50

## Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May

### **Barnoldswick to Higherford by bus**

Barnoldswick dep. Bus M1	16:09	17:01
Nelson arr.	16:55	17:12
Nelson dep. Bus 2	17:01	17:36
Higherford Methodist Church arr.	17:11	17:47

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### **Directions to the Arthur Wilson Centre Clayton-le-Moors.**

Address: Pickup Street, Clayton Le Moors, Accrington, Lancashire BB5 5NS  
Rev Paul Davis will be preaching here on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May. It is the new home of the worshipping community of Methodists in Clayton.

Leave the M65 at Junction 7

Follow signs for Whalley and Clitheroe onto A6185

After approximately 100yards from motorway, keep in right hand lane to turn right at traffic lights on A678

After half a mile, turn left at traffic lights at "Hare and Hounds" onto A680.

Cross the canal bridge shortly after these lights and take the 3<sup>rd</sup> left onto Pickup Street. The Arthur Wilson Centre is on the left hand side immediately opposite the library.

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### **Directions to start point on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May**

From the M65

Drop down the hill into Burnley along Westway. Keep in the right hand lane

Go along Trafalgar St to the roundabout with the A682

Take the second exit and follow the A682 down the hill to a second roundabout.

Take the third exit and go under the canal bridge on Yorkshire Street.

At the crossroads by Turf Moor football ground, turn left into Belvedere Road.

Follow Belvedere Road (A6114) to eventually pass the "Brewers Fayre Queen Victoria and Premier Inn on your left.

The large car park is approximately 100 yards further on, on your left.

For those of you with Satellite Navigation Systems, the postcode for the Brewers Fayre is: BB10 3EF.

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Hot and cold drinks will be available at the churches along the route, any accompanying walkers should bring their own lunch please.