



GETTING MARRIED IN THE CAVERSHAM METHODIST CHURCHES

What you need to do first

Make initial contact with one of the Ministers (see list below)
Read the notes on the second page of this leaflet
Make contact with the appropriate Church Bookings person
Register your intention to marry (see REGISTER OFFICE below)

MINISTERS

The Rev'd Jenny Dowding

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Rev'd Dr John Ogden

3 Alderley Close, Woodley, Reading, RG5 4TG.
Tel: 0118 969 6319

Deacon Becky Bawden

1 Forge Close, Caversham, Reading, RG4 8BG
Tel: 0118 948 2530

Caversham Heights Methodist Church (Highmoor Road)

Flowers: Mr Ray Goodman, 26 Ashcroft Close, Caversham, RG4 7NU - Tel: 0118 947 4593

Organist: Peter Bernard, 80 Broad Hinton, Twyford, Reading, RG10 0LP

Tel: 0118 934 3874

Church Bookings: Mrs Janet Offord, 9 Crispin Close, Caversham, RG4 7JS - Tel: 0119 947 0903
Email: janet@offordrs.idps.co.uk

Church Treasurer: Mr Peter Boardley, 26 Courtenay Drive, Emmer Green, Reading, RG4 8XH
Tel: 0118 947 3394 Email: phboardley@btinternet.com

Caversham Methodist Church (Gosbrook Road)

Flowers: Mrs. Eunice Cooper, 41 All Hallows Road, Caversham, RG4 5LP - Tel: 0118 947 8607

Organist: Peter Bernard, 8 Broad Hinton, Twyford, Reading, RG10 0LP - Tel - 0118 934 3874

Church Bookings: David Herbert, 16 Ardler Road, Caversham, RG4 5AE - Tel: 0118 947 8209

Church Treasurer: David Herbert (as above)

Notes

Wedding Fees as at September 2009

• Minister	£110.00
• Registration fee/authorised person fee	£30.00
• Church (including lighting and heating)	£75.00*
• Raising the rostrum (if required)	£20.00*
• Organist	£75.00*
• Flowers (optional)	£60.00**
• Flower arranger (optional)	£25.00**

***The booking fee for the Church, and rostrum if required, should be paid 3 months in advance of the date of the Wedding to secure the booking of the Church.** This may be paid by cheque to *Caversham Heights Methodist Church* or *Caversham Methodist Church*, as appropriate, and should be sent to the appropriate Church Treasurer (addresses on previous page). Please bring all other fees in cash, in separate envelopes - marked appropriately - to the Wedding Rehearsal, so that they may be distributed to the various people.

****FLOWERS**

Those who arrange flowers will fit in with your wishes and colour schemes, and if you wish to pay for more elaborate displays, you may, of course do so (in which case it is possible a further charge may be made). It is helpful to let the person concerned have some of the relevant dress material.

Flowers are distributed to those in need, or in ill-health after Sunday worship. Please let us know if there is anyone to whom you wish the flowers to be given.

MUSIC

The Organist or Minister will be happy to discuss music and hymns with you and if there is any specific music you want (e.g. during the signing of the register), please let the organist know.

REGISTER OFFICE

You **MUST** register your intention to be married at the Register Office in Reading at least six weeks before the date of your marriage. This can be done at any time, from 12 months before the date of the wedding. One of you **must** reside within the Reading Registration District or else you cannot get married in Caversham.

You will need to take with you to the Register Office: Birth Certificates, and if appropriate, Decree(s) Absolute.

They will then give you the blue certificate, which is our legal authorisation to marry you. Please bring this certificate to the Wedding Rehearsal. **A Wedding cannot take place without this certificate.**

PREPARATION

We consider that preparation for marriage is very important. When you discuss the arrangements for your wedding, the Minister will work with you to agree a plan for preparation that is appropriate to your situation. This may involve recommending you to become involved in a group of others who are preparing for marriage.

REHEARSAL

A Wedding Rehearsal will be arranged in the week before the Wedding itself, on a date to suit you. The Best Man, Bridesmaids and Parents should be present.

There is an extra charge of £50 for a video, and if possible, the operator should come to the Rehearsal. The law regarding copyright is the responsibility of the couple to check and adhere to. We will send you details.



