



**MMHS 70th anniversary
worship resources**

Backstory and Sheet Music

Backstory



What we do

We provide housing for retiring Methodist presbyters and deacons who need it – whenever possible, in their preferred area. We also provide housing for their widowed partners and for ministers who retire early due to ill-health.

Our properties are mostly three-bedroom semi-detached houses and bungalows in some very nice locations around the UK. But we don't just secure you a home – we look after it too – repairing and maintaining it to the highest standards.

Our ministers have worked and cared for others for many years. It's only right we should now care for them in their well-earned retirement.

Who we are

The day-to-day operation of the Society is run by a professionally qualified, talented and hard-working team led by the Chief Executive, who reports to the Board.

The team work out of our only office, which is Methodist Church House in Marylebone, London.

Our Vision

'There was not a single person in need among them.'
– Acts 4:34

Our Mission

To meet the housing and housing related needs of retired Methodist ministers of limited means, and their spouses, and their widows and widowers, and to offer support for their wellbeing in the key areas of mobility and independence.

Our Core Values

We have a Christian distinctiveness of which we are proud and it underpins who we are and what we do.

Our concern is to show high standards of care in all we do and to be professional both as individuals and as an organisation.

Our Story

It was the post-war era. Britain was being rebuilt. But property prices were high. Rented property was hard to find. Retiring Methodist ministers leaving the manse, struggled to afford a new home.

A generous donation changed that. The Manor House, Barrow-on-Trent, was given for retired ministers in 1947. The Methodist Ministers' Housing Society was formed the following year.

Since then, the Society has grown and now has more than 900 properties. From the Channel Islands to northern Scotland, more than 800 retired ministers, deacons and their widowed partners enjoy retirement in our homes. The story continues.

You can download an extended version of the MMHS story here:

<http://mmhs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/Our-Story-Methodist-Ministers-Housing-Society.pdf>

A Hymn for MMHS

Tune: The Streets of Laredo
Traditional. Arr: AGL



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