

Doreen's a hit on the gardening scene

Description



Retired Methodist minister Revd Doreen Hare has become a Facebook sensation after designing a dream outdoor space at her MMHS property.

She also celebrates 40 years since her ordination – just as the Methodist Church marks <u>50 years of</u> ordaining women as presbyters.

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Doreen caused a stir with one of her first sermons – not because of her discourse but because of her denim. That was back in the 1970s.

When the incident was reported to a supervisory gathering of local preachers, well-known minister Revd Frank Thewlis retorted, 'All I have to say is, did the end justify the jeans?'

The answer proved to be a resounding 'yes'.

Doreen qualified as a local preacher and became part of the first wave of women ordained by the Methodist Church. Her sisters Diane and Jackie also became ordained ministers at different times.

The jeans came on again when she totally renovated her garden, this time causing a stir on social media!

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Her work has blossomed most recently on the horticultural scene. Photos of her garden have received a fanfare on Facebook.

Stunning images show a curved path through leisurely lawns. The pictures recently scooped 1200 'likes' and hundreds of positive comments on the 'Loving your garden' page.

Read the rest of Doreen's story in <u>the autumn edition of *Roof 'n' Roots*</u>! (Photo of Doreen working in her garden by Clive Price)

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