How We Are Organised

The Methodist Church in Ireland extends throughout the island, and refers to itself as 'the Connexion', to remind individual members and local churches of their interconnected and interdependent nature. Methodism's structures are shaped by its origins.

Classes
The small group (or class) has always been the lifeblood of Methodism. They have different names now, whether a home group, prayer triplet, Bible study, or whatever, but the aim is the same - to encourage one another in the Faith.

Societies and Circuits
A group of classes in a locality form a society or congregation, administered by a Church Council. A large society or a group of societies form a circuit, which may have one or more ministers, and is in the care of a Superintendent minister and administered by a Circuit Executive. View the Find a Church section for contact and location details and service times for each of the congregations.

Districts
A group of circuits forms a district, overseen by a District Superintendent and administered by a District Synod. Currently, there are three districts:
- North East
- North West
- Southern