



Hi everyone,
and welcome
to **the Week
Ahead**.

This Sunday
(13 August)

churches around the world
are invited to show
solidarity with Korean
churches by marking a day
of **Prayer for the
Peaceful Reunification of
the Korean Peninsula**.

[Click here](#) for more details.

Andy Jackson will be
staffing the out-of-hours
support line this week on
020 7467 5170.

God bless,

Toby Fairclough
Media Officer

On the box

[Songs of Praise](#)

Sunday 13 Aug
BBC One, 5:00pm

Josie d'Arby joins
thousands of Christians at
the annual New Wine
gathering in Somerset.

[No more boys and girls](#)

Wednesday 16 Aug
BBC Two, 9:00pm

Is the way we treat boys
and girls the real reason
we haven't achieved
equality between men and
women? Dr Javid
Abdelmoneim aims to find
out.

[Don't deport me, I'm British](#)

Thursday 17 Aug
BBC Two, 9:00pm

A documentary telling the
stories of three young men

New Prayer Handbook

A **new edition** of the Methodist Prayer Handbook is now available to order from the Methodist Publishing website. This year's edition follows the theme of **Jesus, the First and Last**, taken from the Charles Wesley hymn of the same name (*Singing the Faith* 329). [Click here](#) for more information and to order your copy, **available in standard or large print editions**.

DBS/PVG checks update

Following the notification that the **Churches Agency for Safeguarding will be closing** at the end of the year, a message from the Connexional Safeguarding Team has gone out updating people of how DBS/PVG checks will be facilitated in the future. [Click here](#) to read more.

Uganda to Ethiopia (and beyond)

The President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference have been **travelling across the Connexion and the world** with the Methodist Church and All We Can. For regular **thoughts, reflections and photos**, you can visit their [Facebook page](#). Click on the 'like' button to receive notices of updates.

Applications now open

Applications are now open for a variety of jobs with the Connexional Team and across the Connexion. Positions available include **Director of Research** at Wesley House Cambridge and **Youth President 2018-19**. [Click here](#) for more details.

Bible Engagement

What does it mean to engage with the Bible in the 21st century? Cliff College, in partnership with the Bible Reading Fellowship, is offering a short course **next March** exploring exactly that. For more information and booking details, [click here](#).

Pray as you go

who arrived in Britain as children, who were later ordered to go back to their birth countries as adults.

Radio

[Tim Daykin](#)
BBC iPlayer
BBC Radio Solent

Alison Judd, World President of the World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women, speaks with Tim Daykin about her role. (1:37:00 in)

[Heart and Soul](#)
Friday 11 Aug
World Service, 1:32pm
Zubeida Malik reports on what happened in the London Grenfell fire when faith stepped in.

[Something Understood](#)
Sunday 13 Aug
Radio 4, 6:05am
Musician Jahnvi Harrison explores why chanting the name of God can be a powerful devotional practice.

See [The Radio Times](#) for further listings.

Pray as you go is a daily prayer podcast designed to go with you wherever you go. Available to **stream or download**, these helpful reflections and scripture readings are a great way to engage with God during the daily commute. [Click here](#) to visit the website.

Welcome Churches

A new initiative **equipping** UK churches to **welcome** refugees and asylum seekers into their communities, is to launch next month. For more information on **how to get involved**, please [visit the Welcome Churches website](#).

Prayers and reflections

In the coming week the [Methodist Prayer Handbook](#) will be encouraging us to pray with Christians in the Americas, Asia and the Indian Subcontinent, Britain and Ireland. The theme for next week's [A Word in Time Bible](#) studies is **Servant of All**.

Video Thursday: Jill Baker in Ethiopia

This [week's video](#) features the **Vice-President of the Methodist Conference**, Jill Baker, reflecting on her time in Ethiopia and the **impact** that **All We Can** supported projects are having in the country.

The Week Ahead is a regular mailing that aims to give people a heads up on upcoming events and opportunities, as well as highlighting new information and resources. We don't always remember everything, so please do [email us](#) if you have any feedback or ideas for items to include.