

The Week Ahead

The Methodist Church 


*Hello everyone,
and welcome to
The Week
Ahead.*

*Andy Jackson,
the new*

*Director of Publishing and
Communications, will be
staffing the out-of-hours
support line this week -
020 7467 5164 (transfers to
mobile).*

*Wishing you a wonderful
week,*

Mike Ivatt

 On the box**Saving the Forgotten
Jews**

**Sunday, 1:15pm
BBC One**

How three people were instrumental in saving the Ethiopian Jews during two record breaking airlifts in the 1980s and 1990s.

**Back in Time
ForChristmas**

**Monday, 9:00pm
BBC Two**

A modern family experience Christmas through decades past, starting with the 1940s.

**Love You to Death:
A Year of Domestic
Violence**

**Wednesday, 9:00pm
BBC Two**

A landmark documentary on the human stories behind the statistics of domestic violence.

Cumbrian Floods - Give, Act, Pray

The impact of the floods in the North West of England will last long after the water has gone. Storm Desmond has left homes uninhabitable and **Christmas in ruins** for thousands of people. The Methodist Church is joining with organisations and individuals across the country to support and remember the people of the North West in their prayers. Read [here](#) how you can donate to the fundraising appeal.

Human Rights Day

United Nations Human Rights Day occurs today marking the **50th anniversary of the International Covenants** on human rights. You can find resources from the Joint Public Issues Team [here](#) that reflect on what human rights means to both society and to Christians.

Free Postage

Methodist Publishing are offering free postage for online orders with UK delivery addresses until midnight today, Thursday. You can click [here](#) to visit their catalogue.

COP21 Concludes

Tomorrow, 11 December, the COP21 **climate change summit** in Paris comes to an end. World leaders have been gathering to agree on how we should slow the rate of global warming. Watch out for **reaction and comment** on the summit's outcomes from the Methodist Church and from the Joint Public Issues Team next week. You can read previous comments from the Methodist Church and JPIT on the subject [here](#).

Join the Team

The Connexional Team is looking for two new members of staff, a Marketing Officer and a Heritage Officer. Applications for both positions should be submitted by

Radio

Between the Ears: Coma Songs

**Saturday, 9:30am
BBC Radio 3**

With words, music and poetry this programme explores the dilemma of what happens when doctors can save the body but not the mind.

Good Morning

**Heading Sunday, 7:00am
BBC Radio 2**

Good Morning Sunday Clare Balding talks with Ben Fogle about his new book on dogs.

What is IS?

**Wednesday, 8:00pm
BBC Radio 4**

David Aaronovitch considers whether IS is a political or religious movement in light of the Paris attacks.

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

4 January 2016. Further details are on the Methodist Church website [here](#).

This week in Parliament

You can find this week's **parliamentary business** online [here](#). If you want to find out about the Scottish Parliamentary calendar, [click here](#) and the timetable for the National Assembly for Wales [click here](#).

Reflections

In the coming week the [Prayer Handbook](#) will be encouraging us to pray with Christians in the Caribbean, the Americas, the Middle East and the Indian subcontinent as well as Britain and Ireland. The theme for next week's [A Word in Time](#) Bible studies is **The Lord's Anointed**.

Video Thursday: Do You Judge a Book by its Cover?

[This week's film](#) features the Revd Geoffrey Farrar from the West Hertfordshire and Borders Circuit who is featured in this short film that explores our preconceptions.

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.