The Week Ahead

The **Methodist** Church



Hi everyone, and welcome to The Week Ahead.

This week is a week of weeks with <u>Inter Faith</u>

Week, Parliament
Week, Prisons
Week and Anti-Bullying
Week all taking place.

Toby Scott will be staffing the out-of-hours support line this week (07974 208360).

God bless.

Toby

On the box

New Lives in the UK Today, 9pm, Channel 5 Ben Fogle meets people who have escaped the rat race in search of a more rewarding life

Children in Need Friday, 7:30pm, BBC One

Terry Wogan and Tess Daly kick off another bumper evening of fundraising fun in support of disadvantaged children across the UK

Songs of Praise Sunday, 1:45pm, BBC One

Connie Fisher discovers how cooking and singing are building bridges between religions at the beginning of Inter Faith Week



Inter Faith Week

Inter Faith Week will be taking place across the UK from**Sunday 15 to Saturday 21 November**. The week seeks to highlight the good work being done by local inter faith groups and further develop good **relationships and partnerships** between people of different faiths. <u>Click here</u> to see upcoming events in your area.

Parliament Week

Next week (**16-22 November**) is Parliament Week, a time to get people more involved with Parliament and democracy in the UK. Why not visit the **Joint Public Issues Team** (JPIT) <u>website</u>, for different ways you can get involved.

Women Against Violence Sunday

Sunday 22 November is Women Against Violence Sunday, where people regardless of gender take a stand against violence and abusive behaviour. For relevant poems, prayers, hymns and other **resources** to use on the day, click here.

Journey of the Magi

Springs Dance Company is inviting churches across the country to host a special performance of Journey of the Magi, a critically acclaimed production with sparkle, songs and jokes **for all ages**. Bookings are available for advent 2015 or 2016. See their website for more information.

Early Bird Tickets

Connecting Disciples 2016, 7-10 March, is the annual conference for all Methodist lay employees and children & youth workers. Anyone booking before 9:00am 23 November can pay a **reduced fee**.

Meet the president

President of the Conference, the Revd Steve Wild, speaks to Premier Radio's Ian Britton about his travels,

Act of Worship Friday, 9:45am, BBC Radio 4

An Act of Worship led by the Revd Dr Leslie Griffiths

Something Understood Sunday, 6:05am, BBC Radio 4

John McCarthy considers obsession - which can lead to great achievement, or to social and moral malfunction

Sunday Worship Sunday, 8:10am, BBC Radio 4

Prisoners and prison chaplains gather to share Worship in the chapel of Her Majesty's Prison Long Lartin, Worcestershire

Pause for Thought Monday, 5:45am, BBC Radio 2

The Revd Tony Miles on 'the film of my childhood'

See <u>The Radio Times</u> for further listings.

the presidency and evangelism in <u>this</u> **interview** taken from the show Inspirational Breakfast.

This week in Parliament

You can find this week's **parliamentary business** online<u>here</u>. If you want to find out about the Scottish Parliamentary calendar, <u>click here</u> and the timetable for the National Assembly for Wales <u>click here</u>.

Reflections

In the coming week the <u>Prayer Handbook</u> will be encouraging us to pray with Christians in the Caribbean, the Americas, North/Central America, the Middle East, the Indian Subcontinent, India, Asia, Britain and Ireland. The theme for next week's <u>A Word in Time</u> Bible studies is **God's Saving Plan** written by the Revd Richard Bielby.

Video Thursday: A new and living way

Sunday 15 - Saturday 21 November is <u>Prisons Week 2015</u>, where people are encouraged to pray for all those involved and affected by prison, including prison chaplains. A **promotional video** encouraging us to pray has been produced, which you can <u>watch and/or download here</u>.

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.

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