

The Week Ahead

The Methodist Church 

Hi everyone,
and welcome to
The Week
Ahead.

The President
and Vice-

President of the Conference
have been travelling across
the Connexion (and
beyond) visiting people,
churches and events. You
can read about some of
the **wonderful
things** they've been up to
on their blog [here](#).

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

Wishing you all a wonderful
week,

Toby F



On the box

Secret History
Sunday, 8pm,
Channel 4

The story behind the recent
discovery of a new species
of ancient human in South
Africa - the Homo naledi

Body Donors
Tuesday, 9pm,
Channel 5

A unique two-part
documentary following
terminally ill patients who
have chosen to donate
their bodies to medical
science

Welcome to the Mosque
Wednesday, 8pm,
BBC Two

Robb Leech takes an
insightful look into what life
is like behind the walls of
the East London Mosque

Statement on Israel and the West Bank

On Tuesday 22 September, during the **World Week for Peace in Palestine Israel**, the President and Vice-President of the Conference issued this [statement](#).

A culture of invitation

This Sunday, **27 September**, will be **Back to Church Sunday**, where churches across the country will be opening their doors for special welcome themed services. For more information and resources on Creating a Culture of Invitation, [click here](#).

Sleep-out

The Revd John Howard, Chair of the Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury District, will be partaking in [Byte Night](#) - Action for Children's annual 'sleep-out' on the **2 October**. You can support him and the charity on his just-giving page [here](#).

'Ideal church show'

A two-day exhibition of Christian resources will be taking place on Wednesday and Thursday **7-8 October**, at the NEC, Birmingham. For more information and to book your ticket, [click here](#).

Christianity in public life

The Cymru Institute for Contemporary Christianity, the Bible Society, TEARFund and the Evangelical Alliance will be hosting the **Welsh Public Theology Summit** on Thursday **8 October** in Aberystwyth. Nick Spencer, from theological think tank Theos will also be giving a guest lecture at [the event](#).

Woman to Woman

Premier's annual **Woman to Woman Conference** will be on Saturday **24 October**, in London. For more information and to book your ticket, [click here](#).

Radio

Sunday Worship **Sunday, 8.10am,** **BBC Radio 4**

Mass from St Aloysius' Roman Catholic Church in Glasgow to mark the Pope's visit to the United States, with the choirs of St Aloysius' and Schola Cantorum of St Aloysius' College

Daily Service

Wednesday, 9:45am,
BBC Radio 4

The Revd Peter Whittaker leads the service on the theme of 'The angel's revelation'

A Beginner's Guide to Pakistan

Wednesday, 6:30pm,
BBC Radio 4

Comedia Sami Shah explores Pakistan's political history, from its foundations to the present day

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

Ready for a challenge?

Action for Children are challenging people to consider running the **Brighton Marathon 2016, 17 April**, to help them continue their support for the UK's most vulnerable children and families. For more information, [click here](#).

This week in Parliament

This week's **parliamentary business** can be found [online here](#). If you want to find out about the Scottish Parliamentary calendar for the coming week, [click here](#) and details of the timetable for the National Assembly for Wales are [here](#).

Reflections

In the coming week the [Prayer Handbook](#) will be encouraging us to pray with Christians in the Pacific, Europe, around the world, Britain and Ireland. The theme for next week's [A Word in Time](#) Bible studies is **Strife and Blessing** written by the Revd Andrew Murphy.

Video Thursday: Talking Jesus

The Church of England, Evangelical Alliance and HOPE have produced a report on public **Perceptions of Jesus, Christians and Evangelism in England**. You can read the report [here](#), or watch [a short video](#) highlighting some of the key findings.

***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.*