The Week Ahead

The **Methodist** Church



Hi everyone, and welcome to The Week Ahead at the Conference!

We ask that youjoin us in praying for the Conference and all those involved: the volunteers, staff, presbyters, deacons, lay members, the incoming and outgoing Presidency, our quests from here

and from overseas, and all Methodists across the Connexion who will be affected by the decisions made this week. May the Conference be guided in its decisions and God's will be done throughout.

Andy Jackson will be staffing the out-of-hours support line this week on **020 7467 5111**.

If it's not an emergency, please <u>pop us an email</u>, we'd love to hear from you!

God bless and see you soon!

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On the box

Live from the Conference

Saturday - ThursdayIncluding the induction of the President and Vice-President, Sunday Worship and the Representative Sessions of the Methodist Conference.

Methodist YouTube Catch Up

The Conference is here

Today (Thursday 30 June) marks **the Opening of the Presbyteral Session** of the Conference and Saturday (2 July) **the start of the Representative Session**. Some helpful tidbits and links are below, but for further information please see <u>the Conference handbook</u> and <u>the Conference website</u>.

Also at the Conference

If you are at the Conference this year, **there's plenty to do and see** while it's not in session. Why not wander
around the **Exhibition Hall** or book yourself into
a**Fringe Event**? Click here for more details.

Connexional Team Support

During the Conference many members of the Connexional Team will be away. **Please bare with us during this busy time** and we will try to get back to you as quickly as possible.

If you are at the Conference this year, **feel free to come say "Hi!"** The Media Team is based in the Maurice Barnett Room on the 1st floor.

Live Streaming

If you're not able to make it to the Conference this year, you can watch along online live via the Conference website. The Service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance (Friday 1 July 14:15-14:45) will be streamed as well as the Representative Session (starting with the Opening of the Conference on Saturday 2 July 14:15).

If you have **any problems** or questions, please contact<u>Dave Webster</u>.

Keeping up with the Conference

Can't follow live or simply want a recap of the highlights? You can **read all the latest news** on <u>the Conference</u> news page here and **join the conversation** on Twitter at#MethodistConf.

Shortly after the Conference a **'Conference Digest'** will be <u>made available</u>, collating the highlights from this vear's event.

For videos shown at the Conference and others you can subscribe to the Methodist YouTube channel.



The Conference in your area

Sunday 3 July Various stations

The newly inducted President of the Conference and many District Chairs will be speaking to local BBC radio stations. You can email Mike Ivatt for more information.

The Presidential Addresses

Catch up

For the audio of the President and Vice-President's addresses, be sure to visit the Podcast page on the website.

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

From Conference to Assembly

3Generate 2016, formerly the Children & Youth Assembly, have had **another record year** both in ticket sales and attendance. <u>Click here</u> for more information. Applications are <u>now open</u> for the Methodist Youth President 2017/18.

On Monday evening the Conference will be hearing about 3Generate and its manifestos. In response to these, and in collaboration with the Amos Trust, Methodist young people, aged 12-25, are being invited to meet with Alrowwad refugees from camp Aida in Palestine. The meeting will be taking place in London on Saturday 13 August. Click here to register and for more information.

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 Europe, Africa, Britain and Ireland. The theme for next week's <u>A Word in Time</u> Bible studies is **Of the House of David**.

Video Thursday: Methodist YouTube

If you're at the Conference, or following along online, you'll notice **several videos** interspersed throughout. Towatch the again, or view any of our other videos, you can subscribe to our **Methodist YouTube** channel here.

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 <a href="mailto:email