

The Week Ahead

The Methodist Church 



Hello everyone and welcome to The

Week Ahead.

September 1 is the start of the new Connexional year so we wish you a Happy New Year.

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

Wishing you all a wonderful week.

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The Media Team*



On the box

[Songs of Praise](#)

**Sunday 2 September
BBC One, 3.15pm**

Claire McCollum is in Newcastle to see Christian artefacts discovered nearby at Hadrian's Wall, and a look at how the city that loves football is helping children with disabilities.

[Panorama](#)

**Monday 3 September
BBC One, 8.30pm**

Across Britain serious violence is rising. There have been over 80 murders in London in 2018 alone, which includes eight children under 18. Panorama investigates why young people are losing their lives, by focusing on just one of these murders.

[We are British Jews](#)

**Tuesday 4 September
BBC Two, 9.00pm**

Eight British Jews with a broad range of opinions, beliefs and practices go on a journey to explore what

Creation Time

You can [download resources](#) from the Churches Together in Britain and Ireland (CTBI) website to observe Creation Time, that takes place from Saturday 1 September to Thursday 4 October.

Remembrance 100

This began on 4 August to commemorate 100 days to the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War on Sunday 11 November. You can [take part with prayers](#) for peace, hope and reconciliation and engage in prayer and innovative peace making activities.

3Generate volunteers

Are you passionate about making a difference to children and young people? If so, please [consider volunteering](#) at 3Generate 2018. Volunteers are needed with various skills and experience. The event takes place at Pontins, Southport, from Friday 23 to Sunday 25 November.

Reconcilers Together

Reconcilers Together is a new ecumenical network of Christian peacebuilding and reconciliation centres across the UK. Its mission is to inspire and equip Christian leaders to be a reconciling presence in churches and communities, through its training programme and [website](#).

Heritage Open Day

Bishop Street Methodist Church, Leicester, is a Georgian Grade II listed historic Methodist chapel. It has been listed on the National Churches Trust website as one of ten Heritage Open Days churches recommended for a

it means to be Jewish in Britain today.

Radio

[Something Understood](#)

**Sunday 2 September
BBC Radio 4, 6.05am**

Rabbi Shoshana Boyd Gelfand celebrates the power of call and response, examining examples in music, science and religion.

[Beyond Belief](#)

**Monday 3 September
BBC Radio 4, 4.30pm**

Ernie Rea in conversation with guests about the role of religion in Mexico.

[Morality in the 21st Century](#)

**Tuesday 4 September
BBC Radio 4, 9.00am**

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks speaks to some of the world's leading thinkers about morality, together with voices from the next generation: groups of British sixth form students.

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

visit. It will be [open on Saturday 8 September](#), 10.00am-4.00pm.

Stories from rural churches

Germinate: The Arthur Rank Centre is an ecumenical Christian charity, serving both the spiritual and practical needs of the rural community. It is looking for stories from churches who have used the Methodist/URC resource, [A Discipling Presence](#). If you have stories to share, please contact the [the Revd Elizabeth Clark](#).

This week in Parliament

You can find the UK 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](#) encourages us to pray for the World Church, Christians in Southern Europe and West Africa, as well as Britain and Ireland. The theme for next week's [A Word in Time](#) Bible studies is 'A Covenant Renewed'.

Video Thursday: Spoken Truth

This week's [films](#) feature poet Dai Woolridge who creatively brings the Bible to life.

***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 know what is going on, so please do [email us](#) if you have any feedback or ideas for items to include.*