



Hello everyone, and welcome to this **Easter** edition of **The Week Ahead**.

This week we have the annual **Easter Message** from the President and Vice-President, along with an exciting new **Intern Scheme**.

I will be staffing the out-of-hours support line this week on **020 7467 5170**.

Wishing you all a wonderful and blessed Easter,

Michael Ivatt  
Lead Media Officer

## On the box

### [Last Days of Jesus](#)

**Friday, 14 April**  
**Channel 5, 6:05pm**

A documentary re-examining Jesus' crucifixion, and the events that led to it.

### [Easter from King's](#)

**Saturday, 15 April**  
**BBC 2, 5:45pm**

A selection of music and Gospel readings for Holy Week and Easter, as part of a week of celebrations held at the Chapel of King's College, Cambridge.

### [The Mystery of Rome's X Tomb](#)

**Sunday, 16 April**  
**BBC Four, 10:50pm**

Historian Dr Michael Scott unlocks the secrets of a mysterious tomb recently

## Presidential Easter Message

The President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference, the Revd Dr Roger Walton and Rachel Lampard MBE, speak about **confidence, suffering and hope** in this year's Easter Message. You can **read, watch, listen** and **download** it [here](#).

## Hope in the midst of despair

**Less than two months** after All We Can and the World Church Relationships Team of the Methodist Church put out an urgent appeal for **aid-relief in East Africa**, more than **£350,000** has already been raised. [Click here](#) for more information and to see how your money is being spent.

## ONE Intern launched

The Methodist Church is seeking young people to take part in a **new scheme** to help develop their **careers and faith**. This exciting new opportunity for 21-26 year-olds offers a year of exploring faith through a **paid placement** with a range of professional organisations across a variety of business sectors. Click [here](#) to read more.

## Egypt Suicide Bombings

The Joint Public Issues Team has **published a statement** from Bishop Angaelos on the attacks on **Coptic Orthodox Christian** churches that took place on Palm Sunday, killing 45 people. You can read the statement [here](#).

## Re-dedication of Wesley House Cambridge

Wesley House Cambridge is **re-opening its doors** to students and scholars from all over the world following a two year rebuilding project. A **week of events** to celebrate the Re-dedication of the College takes place **24**

discovered in one of Rome's famous catacombs.

## Radio

### [Good Friday Meditation](#)

**Friday, 14 April**  
**BBC Radio 4, 3:00pm**

Lucy Winkett reflects on the solitude of Christ and investigates different types of loneliness, challenging our perceptions of what it means to be alone.

### [Easter Sunday Special: Religion in Rural Life](#)

**Sunday, 16 April**  
**BBC Radio 4, 7:10am**

Featuring Methodist minister the Revd Sue Pegg, this episode explores the pioneering work being done in England's rural countryside.

### [Adventures in Social Mobility](#)

**Sunday, 16 April**  
**BBC Radio 4, 8:00pm**

Hashi Mohamed came to the UK aged nine, as an unaccompanied child refugee. He now works as a barrister, a member of one of the elite professions that have traditionally been very difficult for people from poor backgrounds to access.

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

**to 30 April.** Details of the events during re-dedication week are available [here](#).

## My Heart Strangely Warmed

Tickets are still available for My Heart Strangely Warmed, the day of **music and singing** taking place at the Moravia Church and School in Pudsey on **20 May**. For more information, click [here](#).

## Methodist News

A **number** of e-newsletters have been sent out this week, including [Property Matters](#), [The Well Snapshots](#) and the latest edition of [World Church News](#). To find out what **other newsletters** the Connexional Team produce, [click here](#).

## Song of the Week: Christ the Lord is Risen Today

In celebration of Easter, this week's song is Charles Wesley's superb hymn **Christ the Lord is Risen Today**, [here](#) performed by the Scottish Festival Singers (Singing the Faith, 298).

## Reflections

In the coming week the [Prayer Handbook](#) will be encouraging us to pray with Christians in the Americas, the Middle East, India, Britain and Ireland. The theme for next week's [A Word in Time](#) Bible studies is **Lord of Life** written by **the Revd Lynita Conradie**.

## Video Thursday: Crafty Easter

[This week's film](#) comes from our partners **Action for Children**, who have produced a mini-series of videos encouraging us to **get creative** and make some fun decorations this Easter.

*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.*