### The Week Ahead

Hi everyone,

I hope you've all enjoyed the intermittent summer weather, as for many of us it looks like heavy rains are on their way over the next few days.

I will be staffing the out-ofhours support line this week (07969985376).

Wishing you all a wonderful (and hopefully not too wet) week,

Toby

VJ Day 70: The Nation Remembers

Saturday, 10:30am, BBC One

Live coverage of the commemorations in London paying tribute to the end of the Second World War.

**Songs of Praise** 

Sunday, 5pm, BBC One

Sally Magnusson reports on the Calais crisis, meeting

# **Tackling financial exclusion**

A new initiative wants to see **credit union service points** created in **rural churches and community buildings** nationwide. The Arthur Rank Centre, the

Plunkett Foundation and the Church of England's Mission
and Public Affairs Division plan to extend access and use
of rural credit unions in a new innovative project. The
plans have received further backing from the Association
of British Credit Unions, the Methodist Church, the United
Reformed Church and Comic Relief.

For more information, click here.

#### **Result!**

August is *the* month of results, with Scottish Highers on the **4 August**, AS and A level results **today**, and GCSE results **next Thursday**. Please pray for all those you know who have or will be getting exam results and that they have the wisdom and foresight for what to do next.

# Methodist School Workers Network Conference

Are you involved in school, children or youth work in a Methodist context? Would you like to be?

On **Sunday 2 October**, the Methodist School Workers Network is holding a one day conference in Sheffield to support, resource and inspire school/children/youth Christians in the migrant camp.

**Terror on Everest** 

Tuesday, 9pm, Channel 4

A documentary examining the disastourous earthquake in Nepal on 25 April 2015, and the subsequent avalanche on Mt Everest that followed. workers for the school year ahead.

For more information and to book your place, please email admin@methodisteducation.co.uk.

# Mission and evangelism

Thinking of developing a Circuit Strategy on Mission and Evangelism? Why not have a look at **Chaplaincy opportunities** and strategy outlines including the spiral of chaplaincy development with case study stories <u>here</u>.

# Walking for change

Starting on the **13/14 November**, Christians across England will be partaking in a **Pilgrimage2Paris**, calling on world leaders to agree a fair, ambitious and legally binding climate change deal in Paris at the UN climate talks on 27 November. <u>Click here</u> to find out how you can get involved.

# Psalms on the go

The Church of England has just released a **new mobile app** Reflections on the Psalms, with original Bibles notes and suggested morning and evening readings.

Don't forget, you can also download the Methodist Church app for free here.

#### Reflections

In the coming week the Prayer Handbook will be encouraging us to pray with Christians in West Africa, Britain and Ireland. The theme for next week's <u>A Word in Time</u> Bible studies is **Prayer and Prudence** written by the Revd Dr Richard Clutterbuck.

Video Thursday: #DoTheDadDance

#### **The Sunday Hour**

Sunday, 6am,

**BBC Radio 2** 

Diane Louise Jordan plays a variety of spiritually uplifting hymns, songs and choral classics following this week's theme of 'fire'.

#### **Beyond Belief**

Monday, 4:30pm,

**BBC Radio 4** 

Ernie Rea discusses the commonality of debt and what religious traditions have to say about it.

**Pause for Thought** 

Thursday, 5:45am,

**BBC Radio 2** 

The Revd Tony Miles on 'Humanitarian Heroes'.

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

A new campaign in aid of **UNICEF UK** is raising money for less privileged children, through encouraging dads to film themselves dancing. <u>Click here</u> to find out more.

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