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The Week Ahead

The Methodist Church 



*Hi everyone,
and welcome to
The Week
Ahead.*

*Remember to
watch the new
video [A Very
British
Nativity](#) being
released
tomorrow by
the JPIT team.
If you use social*

*media, you can sign up for
the [Thunderclap](#) to help
spread the word!*

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

*Wishing you all a wonderful
week,*

Michael Ivatt
Lead Media Officer

On the box

[Lawful Killing: Mark
Duggan](#)

**Mon, 5 Dec
BBC 1, 8:30pm**

Drama documentary about
the police shooting of Mark
Duggan in Tottenham in
August 2011. The incident
triggered the worst riots in
modern British history.

[Slum Britain:
50 Years On](#)

**Tues, 6 Dec
Channel 5, 10:00pm**

Documentary contrasting
the lives of people who
lived in the slums of the
1960s with those living

3 Generate: another huge success

The **Methodist Youth and Young People** event that
took place last weekend was a **huge success** with more
attending than ever before. You can read about it [here](#).
The new Youth President Designate was elected and has
been announced as Michael Pryke, 17 from Stamford.
You can read more about him [here](#).

Call for action on Aleppo

Mass starvation in Aleppo is a real prospect if aid is not
allowed in. Leaders of the Methodist Church are among
those that have issued a statement calling for the **UN
and UK Government to act**. You can read the
statement that was released on Monday [here](#).

Sharing Christmas

Premier Christian Radio is creating a database of **events
taking place on Christmas Day**, other than the
morning service, open to those who are **lonely or
homeless**. To register your event, click [here](#)

World Aids Day

World AIDS Day is held on the **1 December** each year
and today is an opportunity for people worldwide to unite
and show their **support for people living with HIV**
and to remember those who have died. For information
and resources, click [here](#).

A homemade Christmas

Action for Children is encouraging young people to
make their own fun this Christmas. On its [website](#) you
can find ideas for **cards, baubles and decorations**.

Song of the Week: Do not be Deaf

We bring you **Christian music, song or hymns to
inspire and encourage** you during the week. This week

through the housing crisis of today.

[Six Wives with Lucy Worsley](#)

Wed, 7 Dec

BBC 1, 9:00pm

Documentary series featuring dramatic reconstructions in which Lucy Worsley revisits key events in the lives of Henry VIII's six wives, revealing how each attempted to exert influence on the king and the Tudor court.

Radio

[Daily Service](#)

Fri, 2 Dec

BBC Radio 4LW, 9:45am

Spiritual reflection and prayers on a topical subject led by the Revd Dr Calvin T Samuel, Methodist minister and Director of the Wesley Study Centre, Durham.

[More or Less](#)

Fri, 2 Dec

BBC Radio 4, 4:30pm

Tim Harford explains - and sometimes debunks - the numbers and statistics used in political debate, the news and everyday life.

[Something Understood Watching the River Flow](#)

Sun, 4 Dec

BBC Radio 4, 6:05am

John McCarthy explores the therapeutic benefits of watching the river flow and assesses the spiritual significance of rivers as sites of ritual and prayer.

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

we feature The **Epsom Methodist Music Club** with [Do not be Deaf](#).

If you've got a song that you'd like to share, please do [get in touch](#).

This week in Parliament

You can find this week's **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](#) will be encouraging us to pray with Christians in Europe, West Africa, Britain and Ireland and All Creation. The theme for next week's [A Word in Time](#) Bible studies is **Vision and Promises** written by the **Revd Mark Dunn-Wilson**.

Video Thursday: ReThink Sanctions Mannequining

Mannequining is very "on-trend" at the moment. If you don't know what this is, the **Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury Methodist District** have made a good example highlighting the need to reconsider the **benefits sanction regime**. To watch, click [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 [email us](#) if you have any feedback or ideas for items to include.