The Week Ahead

The Methodist Church



Hi everyone, and welcome to The Week Ahead.

With a large collection of Methodist

voices appearing right across the **radio** on Sunday, be sure to **tune in** (details below).

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

God bless,

Toby

On the box

The Prosecutors Tonight 25 Feb BBC 4, 9:00pm

Documentary going behind-the-scenes of The Crown Prosecution Service, revealing how Britain's criminal justice system really works.

Best Walks with a View Friday 26 Feb ITV, 8:00pm

Julia Bradbury and Chris Bonington explore the history and landscape of the Cumbrian fells.

Born to Be Different Tuesday 1 Mar Channel 4, 9:00pm

A documentary following the lives of five families who have a child with a disability.

Pray for Fiji

On the 20 and 21 February **Cyclone Winston**, a severe category five tropical storm, cut a path of destruction across Fiji's islands. Mission Partner, **the Revd Dr Val Ogden** has written a <u>blog post</u> about the effects of the storm and the clear-up efforts.

Website User Survey

What do you think of the **Methodist Church Website**? We're planning to update the site and are looking for**your feedback**. If you have **3 minutes to** spare, please donate them and fill out this <u>short survey online</u>.

Women's World Day of Prayer

Methodist Central Hall Westminster will be holding a**special service** on **Friday 4 March**, at 2:30pm, celebrating <u>Women's World Day of Prayer</u>. For more information, contact <u>Deacon Kina Saunders</u>.

Fossil Fuel Forum

The Joint Advisory Group on the Ethics of Investment(JACEI), is holding a Fossil Fuel Forum to examine the theology, economics and likely scenarios of climate change and disinvestment. The forum will be held on Wednesday 23 March at Christ Church Spitalfields, London. To apply for an invitation, or submit your views, please contact Ashma Ponniah.

Host an OPP

There are only **eight days left** to get your applications in for hosting a **One Programme Participant** (deadline Friday 4 March). The One Programme is a great opportunity for young people to experience a year of working for a **local church or project** with additional training. To find out more, <u>click here</u>.



Good Morning Jersey Sunday 28 Feb BBC Radio Jersey, 8:05am

President of Conference, the Revd Steve Wild, talks about his year of presidency.

Sunday Breakfast Sunday 28 Feb BBC Radio Lincolnshire, 8:10am

Rhod Whiting will be speaking with Youth President Designate, Tim Annan, about his upcoming year of presidency.

Sunday Worship Sunday 28 Feb BBC Radio 4, 8:10am

Gresford Methodist Church, Wrexham, will be exploring the theme of 'Becoming Present' with the Revd Richard Sharples and the Revd Dr Stephen Wigley.

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

Cycle Challenge Fundraise

Nick Simon, of High Street Methodist Church, Harpenden, is cycling **8,000 miles across Africa**, from Cairo to Cape Town, to raise money for **Christian Aid**. For more information, updates and donations you can visit his donor page here.

This week in Parliament

You can find this week's **parliamentary business** online<u>here</u>. If you want to find out about the **ScottishParliamentary calendar**, <u>click here</u> and the timetable for the **National Assembly for Wales** click here.

Reflections

In the coming week the <u>Prayer Handbook</u> will be encouraging us to **pray** with Christians in the Pacific, Europe, West Africa, Britain, Ireland and all of creation. The theme for next week's <u>A Word in Time</u> Bible studies is **Despised and Rejected** written by the Revd Will Fletcher.

Video Thursday: Samuel Wesley

Yesterday (24 February) was the **250th birthday** of Samuel Wesley, son of Charles Wesley. Samuel was an **accomplished composer**, who composed <u>this</u> <u>beautiful Symphony in E flat Major Allegro</u> when he was just 18 years old.

March 2 is the 225th anniversary of the death of John Wesley. More details about how this is being marked will be in next week's email.