The Week Ahead

The Methodist Church



Hi everyone, and welcome to The Week Ahead.

This week our Presidents respond to the election of Donald Trump, and we are reminded of

the dangers on our streets with Road Safety Week.

I will be staffing the outof-hours support line until Thursday 24 November on 020 7467 5170.

As always, if it's not urgent, please do pop us an email: we'd love to hear from you.

Wishing you all a wonderful week,

Michael Ivatt Lead Media Officer

On the box

Executed by ISIS
The James Foley Story
Sunday 20 Nov
BBC4, 10:00pm
Documentary telling the story of how a young journalist came to be the first American to be executed by ISIS.

One Killer Punch
Tuesday 22 Nov
Channel 4, 10:00pm

Methodists respond to US election

You can read a **statement** from the **President and Vice-President** of the Methodist Church regarding the
US elections by clicking <u>here.</u> Tim Annan, Methodist **Youth President**, has also written about the US
elections in his blog that you can read <u>here.</u>

Theology and ministry

The **latest update** from **St John's College Durham and the Wesley Study Centre** is now available. Featuring articles on ministry and history, the positioning of Methodism in England, education and children, <u>you</u> can read the articles here.

Premier Digital Awards

After last Saturday's Premier Digital Conference, the Premier Digital Awards **ceremony** took place to celebrate best practice in **Christian communications**. Get some ideas on award winning social media, websites and blogging here.

Road Safety Week

Many of us know just how dangerous our roads can be. Road Safety Week, 21 to 27 November, aims to inspire communities to **take action on road safety** and promote **life-saving messages**. You can find more information and resources here.

Summer Biblical Study in Cambridge

The Vacation Term for Biblical Study runs the *Summer Biblical Study in Cambridge* for all who wish to develop their **understanding of the Bible** through **academic study**. Booking is now open, find out more here.

Pentecostal celebration

Churches Together in England presents an event highlighting **Pentecostalism** in England. Taking place 26

This documentary explores the phenomenon of a "one punch kill", by examining three different deaths.

Kids on the Edge Wednesday 23 Nov Channel 4, 10:00pm

More children than ever are being diagnosed with mental health disorders. This series goes behind the scenes with those who are at the forefront of exploring young people's minds.

U2@40

Sunday 20 Nov Absolute Radio, 8:00pm An exclusive documentary that celebrates the past 40 years of Irish rock legends U2.

The Power of Negative Thinking

Monday 21 Nov BBC Radio 4, 1:45pm

Oliver Burkeman, psychology writer, explores the virtues of negativity and shows how it can be a surprisingly powerful route to joy, success and satisfaction.

GCHO: Minority Report Tuesday 22 Nov BBC Radio 4, 8:00pm

The domestic challenge facing Britain's biggest secret intelligence service. What's stopping members of the ethnic minorities from playing a key part in Britain's spy network: discrimination, loyalty or prejudice?

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

November at Kensington Temple in West London, the day promises to be **dynamic, multi-ethnic and multi denominational.** More information and book details can be found here.

Song of the Week Have you Heard God's Voice?

We bring you **Christian music, song or hymns to inspire and encourage** you during the week. This week's music is <u>Have you Heard God's Voice?</u>, played by Gary Hopkins. 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 <u>here</u>. If you want to find out about the Scottish Parliamentary calendar, <u>click here</u> and the timetable for the National Assembly for Wales <u>click here</u>.

Reflections

In the coming week the <u>Prayer Handbook</u> will be encouraging us to pray with Christians in India, Asia, Australia and New Zealand, Britain and Ireland. The theme for next week's <u>A Word in Time</u> Bible studies is **Faithful in Ministry** written by the **Revd David Deeks.**

Video Thursday: City Road Methodist Church, Birmingham, England, 1984

Thirty years ago, before we had phones in our pockets that doubled as TV stations, you may have been lucky enough to have borrowed a very expensive video camera. This "rare" and fascinating video takes us back to City Road Methodist Church with a service from 1984. You can watch the video 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 <a href="mailto:email