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The  
Week Ahead

The **Methodist** Church 

Hello everyone and welcome to 'The Week Ahead'.  
Mike Ivatt will be staffing the out-of-hours media emergency support line on  
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Wishing you all a wonderful week,  
[the Communications team](#)

## Climate change - day of action

The Youth Representatives and Youth President of the Methodist Church have released a [statement](#) to support those taking part in the day of action against global climate change on Friday, 20 September. The Joint Public Issues Team has published a blog on what we can all do to support the day of action. Read the blog [here](#).



## Peacemaking Sunday

This Sunday, 22 September is Peace making Sunday. The [Fellowship of Reconciliation](#) website has resources to help mark the day with sermon ideas, activities for children, news about international peace work and ways to get involved.



## Bahamas Hurricane Appeal Update

All We Can and the Methodist Church in Britain are continuing their joint appeal for those affected in by the hurricane in The Bahamas. Only two weeks after Hurricane Dorian devastated areas of the Bahamas, the islands are facing further damage from heavy rains brought by tropical storm Humberto. You can learn more and donate [here](#).



## Is there a Brexit we can all live with?

Paul Morrison, the JPIT policy advisor with particular responsibility for issues including poverty and inequality, considers the dangerous divisions of the Brexit process in his latest blog post that you can read [here](#).



## New evangelism resources

Following consultation and theological conversations across the Connexion, the Evangelism and Growth team has launched practical resources to help build an embedded commitment for the present and future life of the Church. Read more and access the resources [here](#).



## Encounter World Wide

[Encounter Worldwide](#) offers Christians in Britain and Ireland (aged 18 and over) the opportunity to spend three to twelve months sharing in the Methodist Church's mission, life and culture in another part of the world. Listen to these interviews with recently returned volunteers, [Tiana](#) who has been to Argentina and [Louis](#) who visited India.



## Homegrown conference

The Homegrown Conference will be taking place on Tuesday 8th October 2019. Homegrown is a new conference exploring how faith is grown at home, with sessions for family workers and for parents and carers. You can watch live online or be part of the event taking place at the Cliff College. Read more [here](#).



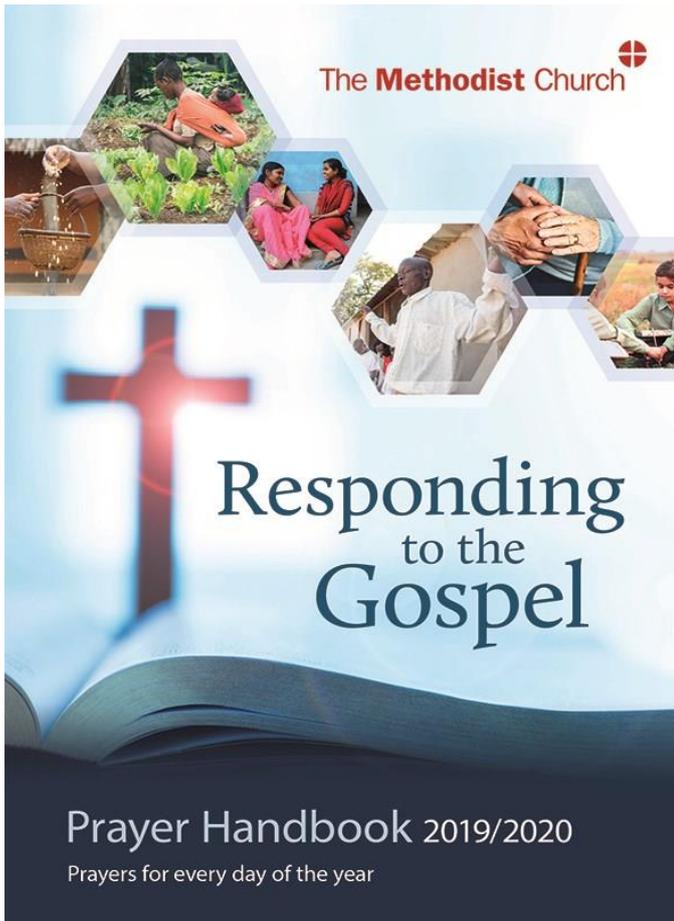
## Thursday video: Summer Club at St. Johns

Join us for a visit the Summer Club at St. John's Church, Enfield, just one example of the many ways churches across the Connexion are answering *Our Calling* in their communities.



## Reflections

In the coming week, the 2019/2020 Methodist Prayer Handbook, 'Responding to the Gospel' encourages us to pray with Christians in the Pacific and Europe, as well as Britain and Ireland. The theme for next week's [A Word in Time Bible studies](#) is "Goodness and Mercy". [Order your Prayer Handbook here.](#)



## Parliament



Parliament is in recess. If you want to find out about the Scottish Parliamentary calendar, [click here](#) and the timetable for the National Assembly for Wales, [click here](#).

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'The Week Ahead' is a regular mailing that gives you a heads-up on forthcoming events and opportunities, as well as highlighting new information and resources across the Methodist Church. We cannot know about everything that's going on, so please [do email us](#) if you have any feedback or ideas for items to include.

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