

# The Methodist News

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Hello everyone and welcome to the Methodist News.

Yours,

[The Communications team](#)

## News

### Afghanistan Statement and Prayer



The President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference have offered a statement and prayer for the crisis in Afghanistan. Read [here](#).

### What now for Afghanistan?



The long-running 20 year military campaign in Afghanistan has come to an abrupt end. There is now huge apprehension for what might come next. What will the future hold? Read [this blog](#) from JPIT.

### A message from the Plymouth Methodist people



Following last week's tragic events in Plymouth, the circuit and district have released a prayer and a message of thanks for the support they have been shown. Read [here](#).

### EDI Officers



The Methodist Church is beginning the process of seeking EDI officers (equality, diversity and inclusion) as part of delivering an Inclusive Methodist Church. You can read more about the role [here](#).

### Methodist Prayer Handbook



The theme for the 2021/2022 Methodist Prayer Handbook is 'A Place for All'. As the Church strives to be God's people in a world changed by a global pandemic, use the prayers from this book, which has been written by the Methodist community, to resolve that, with God's help, we may recognise and repent of our exclusivity, and that then we may be reconciling, open to all and ready to listen to all voices equally. Purchase [here](#).

### 3Generate 2021



We all deserve a chance to have fun together, share joy and celebrate after a difficult couple of years. 3Generate 2021 promises to be a huge party—celebrating the joy of being together after so long apart. You wouldn't want your young people to miss it! Find out more [here](#).

## Haiti Earthquake

### Joint Appeal



### Messages from Haiti



### Prayer for Haiti



Following last week's earthquake in Haiti, All We Can and the Methodist Church in Britain have launched an appeal. Read and donate [here](#).

The Global Relationships team are in touch with the Methodist Church of the Caribbean and America's (MCCA) and received [this reflection](#) and report from David Draeger - MCCA Haiti District Mission Volunteer Coordinator and [this letter](#) from Revd Pierre Claudel Zephyr, Superintendent Minister of Jeremie and the Leon Circuits in Western Haiti.

The President of the Methodist Conference, Revd Sonia Hicks, has shared this prayer following the earthquake. Watch [here](#).

## Evangelism and Growth

### A Methodist Way of Life



As we look to start a new Connexional year it's a good time to reflect on our journey and how we live out our faith. A Methodist Way of Life offers a structure to do this. Follow as an individual or use as a community to grow, learn and serve together. Watch [here](#).

### Pioneering stories



Read how hosting a meal turned into a new church community in Nottingham [here](#).

## Features

### Remember the refugees



Since 2013 the Trinity Centre in Cardiff has been exploring exciting ways of meeting the changing needs of the local community – providing in particular a base for work with refugees and asylum-seekers. Read more [here](#).

### Methodist Church in Malaysia



The [World Mission Fund](#) is helping the Methodist Church in Malaysia support 150 migrant workers and their families, from Myanmar, with rice, groceries and COVID-19 tests where these enable job opportunities. (£4,400 from the World Mission Fund). Read [here](#).

## Media

### The Methodist Podcast



### Queen Victoria Seamen's Rest



### Primitive Methodism



Parents are already having to think about how they will afford uniforms for the return to school this September. With schools now considering themselves "brands", the costs involved in meeting a school's demands can be considerable. In this week's Methodist Podcast we talk to two Methodist churches who are helping families by recycling school uniforms. Listen [here](#).

Alexander Campbell, from the Queen Victoria Seamen's Rest was interviewed on BBC Essex about the work this Methodist charity has been doing to support seafarers during the pandemic. Listen [here](#) (from 2hrs 34mins).

Past Vice-President, Dr Jill Barber, discusses primitive Methodism in this episode of Pubs, Ponds and Power: The Story of the Village, shown on BBC Four. Watch [here](#). (from 23mins 30sec)

### 'Dial-a-Prayer' phonelines



**Prayer:** 0808 281 2514

**Methodist Podcast:** 0808 281 2478

**Pastoral message** from the President and Vice-President: 0808 281 2695 (Please note - content on this phoneline will resume in September and there is currently a holding message to that effect)

You can download a print-and-cut-out sheet with details to send to others [here](#)

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