

# The Methodist News

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Hello everyone and welcome to the Methodist News.

Yours,  
[The Communications team](#)

## News

### Letter to the Home Secretary



"We believe that our country has a moral and legal obligation to provide sanctuary for those at risk of persecution." As directed by Conference, the President and Vice-President have written to the Home Secretary with regard to the Nationality and Borders Bill. Read [here](#).

### Letter to President of COP26 Cabinet Office



"The effects of the climate crisis are no longer distant possibilities, but present realities for the vast majority of our global community." The President and Vice-President have written to the Rt Hon Alok Sharma, M.P., President of COP26 Cabinet Office, regarding the climate emergency. Read [here](#).

### Goodbye Phoebe!



Phoebe Parkin talks about her year in office as Youth President of the Methodist Church, 2020 - 2021 in this [video](#).

The new Youth President, Daud Irfan, will be welcomed with a [service](#) in Cardiff this weekend.

### 3Generate volunteers



Be part of the incredible team that makes 3Generate happen – recruitment is now open for volunteers to help in a whole host of ways from welcoming groups and supporting those with additional needs to being a night steward. Hear what Revd Charity had to say about her volunteering experience at 3Generate, [here](#).

### 3Generate accessibility



3Generate is being planned to be as accessible as possible for individuals with additional needs so they can take part, share, lead or volunteer. Additional needs are wide-ranging and can include anything that impacts upon someone's ability to participate in the activities they do day-to-day. If you're bringing someone to the event with additional needs do get in touch. Find out more [here](#).

### Global Relationships E-Newsletter



The latest Global Relationships E-newsletter is now available, with news on the work of the Church around the world and how your donations to the World Mission Fund have been spent. In this edition you can read about 'Partnership in Mission on the road to COP26', news from Cuba, Cameroon, Haiti, Myanmar and Germany and a blog from Meg 'Why should global church matter to young people'. Click [here](#) to read and sign up.

## Evangelism and Growth



**Hope & Anchor** is a new weekly online chat show from our Evangelism and Growth team that explores spirituality and faith in an inclusive, fun, non-judgmental way. The programme is a table where friends and strangers meet and talk about anything and everything, with guests from Britain and across the world who are taking faith outside the box. You'll be able to watch and share Hope & Anchor on Tuesdays, 12:45-1:15, from 28 September on [Facebook](#). Read more [here](#).

## Take Part

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### Lead like a Methodist



Wesley House is hosting an international symposium via Zoom and in person for leaders in education, in the church and in public life, 15-16 October 2021.

What does it mean to lead like a Methodist? How do we form ethical leaders for the public life? What kind of leadership does the global church need in the 21<sup>st</sup> century? Read more and book [here](#).

### Inclusive Methodist Church Top 10



The Inclusive Methodist Church Team are gathering lists of the top ten TV series, webpages, blogposts, sound tracks, novels, films and non-fiction books that you think other Methodists would enjoy to help us all 'get out of our comfort zones' and begin to learn about each other's cultures.

Read more about the project [here](#).

### Waiting on the Word



The Community for Spiritual Formation is holding 'Waiting on the Word' 7th – 12th November 2021 at Cliff College, Derbyshire. A five-day retreat based on a Benedictine rhythm, focussing on poetry and images for the Advent season. The two presenters will be Dr. Malcolm Guite, well-known contemporary poet (and much else besides) and Sister Margaret Crinyion OSM, a Roman Catholic nun who lives as a hermit. For more information download the flier [here](#).

## Features

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### Haiti Earthquake Update



The Haiti District of the Methodist Church in the Caribbean and Americas is responding to the immediate needs of people after the Earthquake with support from the [World Mission Fund](#) (£15,000) Read [this update](#) on the situation. This World Mission Fund grant is made in conjunction with the joint All We Can/Methodist Church in Britain Emergency Appeal to aid the response in Haiti. Read the latest update here and please give to the appeal [here](#).

### Methodist Church Upper - Myanmar



The Methodist Church Upper Myanmar Covid-19 Prevention and Control Project is to be carried out in the Tahan District which is near the border with India and is severely affected by Covid-19. This work is supported by the World Mission Fund. Read more [here](#).

## Media

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### The Methodist Podcast



The Revd Jenny Pathmaraja, a minister stationed on Jersey, talks with colleagues about the often difficult subject of funerals. Listen [here](#).

### BBC Radio Two



The Reverend Dawn Saunders considered 'Overcoming Adversity' during Pause For Thought on BBC Radio Two earlier this week. Listen [here](#).

### Singing the Faith



A Lancashire church minister has sung the entire Methodist hymn book, Singing the Faith, to raise money for an Indian Covid relief effort. Read more on Premier, [here](#).

### '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 phonenumber 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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