

The Methodist News

28 October 2021

Hello everyone and welcome to the Methodist News.

Yours,

[The Communications team](#)

Black History Month

A prayer for BHM



To mark the end of Black History Month, the Secretary of the Methodist Conference the Revd Dr Jonathan Hustler shares [this prayer](#).

A poem for Black History Month



Aaron Bent, one of the Tell It Again poets from the London Methodist District Woven project, shares [this poem](#) for Black History Month. Watch [here](#).

Champions for racial justice



The Revd Michaela Youngson, the Assistant Secretary of the Conference and Connexional Ecumenical Officer, shares [this blog](#), originally published in the Methodist Recorder, to mark Black History Month celebrating champions for racial justice.

COP 26

COP26 Livestreamed



Andrew Harper from Epworth Investment Management, Steve Hucklesby of JPIT, and Tim Baker from All We Can will respond to the simple question: "What does the Methodist Church do about Climate Change?" during a live streamed debate that takes on the 2nd November at 7pm. Watch [here](#).

The Methodist hub at COP26



Our friends in Glasgow will offer a warm welcome to visitors to the COP26 in November. They will host events, exhibitions and space to rest at Woodlands Methodist Church. They have created a dedicated website which outlines all that they are doing at this crucial time. You can [find it here](#). The Church will also host a series of events organised by our young climate activists, all of which will be livestreamed. [See details here](#)

3Generate 2021

P and V-P Live



This weekend is 3Generate, the Methodist Youth and Children's Assembly. Taking place at the NEC in Birmingham, you can watch a Facebook Live from the President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference at 3Generate this Friday at 12:45.

You'll be able to watch [here](#).

Countdown to 3Generate!



Just one day to go until children and young people gather at the NEC for a weekend of worship, encountering God and exploring the issues that matter to them. Please be praying that God moves powerfully through everything we do together.

Find out more about what's on [here](#).

Be a 3Generate Youth Rep!



Now is the time to be having conversation with your young people about whether they would like to stand to be a Youth Rep. There are a number of different roles available for these valuable experiences.

Find out more [here](#).

Evangelism and Growth

Webinar Series on Social Justice and Evangelism



Rising fuel costs and benefit cuts will have a direct impact on people who are already struggling. The Revd Sonia Hicks was on BBC One's Sunday Morning Live last weekend as part of a panel discussing the consequences of the cut to Universal Credit and how churches are responding. You can watch again here: <http://ow.ly/QvCf50Gt7EY> (from 23mins) and then join a conversation with the President and others who will share stories of how they are responding to God's love for all people.

On: 7-8.30pm Tuesday 23 November 2021

For: Open to all.

Hosts: Eunice Attwood, Church at the Margins Officer and Paul Morrison, Policy Advisor, Methodist Church

Register [here](#).

An intergenerational approach to A Methodist Way of Life



How do we encourage every generation to grow in faith together? What can we learn from each other as we walk our discipleship journeys? A Methodist Way of Life is a framework that will support you as you develop a discipleship culture that will support every generation in living out their faith in evangelism, service, worship and learning.

On Tuesday 23 November at 7.30pm join us to listen to stories, learn about some helpful tools and be encouraged and refreshed in your work. We'll also be presenting a new resource for Intergenerational Worship. This webinar is being run by Abi Jarvis (Evangelism and Growth), Gail Adcock (Children, Youth & Families) and Carla Quenet (Learning Network). [Register now](#).

Hope and Anchor

You can watch last week's Hope and Anchor with special guest, Harry Baker, youngest ever Poetry World Slam Champion and author of Sunshine Kid, [here](#).

Next week, join us on Tuesday at 12:45 when when we chat with Tyler Sit,

Environmental justice church planter and author of Staying Awake: The Gospel for Changemakers.

Find out more about Hope and Anchor and details of how to register for email news alerts about the show [here](#).



Christmas resources

This year we will be sharing resources that reflect the inclusive Methodist Church, offering an invitation to every person, no matter where they are on their faith journey, to enter into the joy and hope that the birth of Christ brings to all. The Christmas Service on a CD follows the Presidential theme of God's Table, An Invitation For All.

Our aim is to celebrate some of the elements of life that have been lacking over the last while.

Read more about the resources and find out how to order them [here](#).



Other News

Religion Media Centre

Explore the way religion and world views are interwoven into society, as people from long-standing and diverse communities share their stories and open the window into their world.

Join the Religion Media Centre for workshops and presentations with journalists, teachers, religious leaders, and invited guests, making new contacts and networking with local media representatives who are looking for stories. Find out more [here](#).

Worship at Home services

Due to popular demand the Ministries: Vocations and Worship team have decided to continue coordinating the Worship at Home services up to the end of August 2022. [Find the services here](#).

We are now looking for volunteers (ordained and lay) to write some of these services. If you are willing and able to, please e-mail Gabriella at mahadevag@methodistchurch.org.uk

Submit a prayer: Methodist Prayer Handbook 2022/2023

The theme for the 2022/2023 Prayer Handbook is 'The Greatest Commandment' (based on Matthew 22:37-39 with further inspiration from Acts 2). The Methodist Prayer Handbook has prayers for every day of the year in a 31-day prayer cycle and is written by the Methodist community. Would you like to contribute a prayer to this resource?

Submission details [here](#).

Methodist Council

The Methodist Council met last week in Swanwick discussing topics such as Climate Change, safeguarding and ways of working in the future. You can [read a report or proceedings here](#).

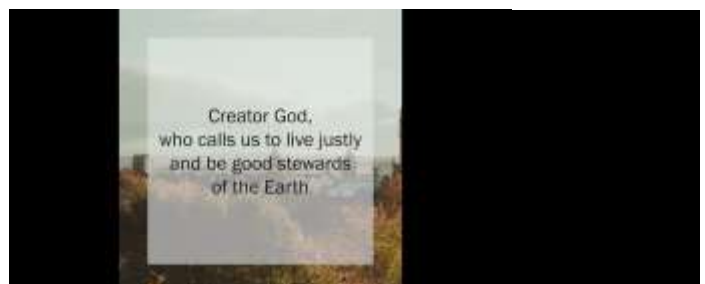
Features

Recovering from Covid

COP26 is offering an opportunity for the world to seize the day and be involved in initiating something transformational for all people.

The Revd Andrew Baker, Superintendent Minister at Strathclyde Methodist Circuit, shares how the circuit has been gearing up for the crucial UN conference on climate change being held next month in Glasgow. Read [here](#).

COP26 Prayer



Written and read by the Revd Mark Slaney, Chair of the Scotland & Shetland Districts

Media

The connexion



The Autumn edition of the connexion magazine is out now. Matching the presidential theme God's Table: An Invitation for All, the stories in issue 24 show how the Methodist Church puts God's welcome into practice. Read an online edition [here](#).

Sunday Morning Live



The President, the Revd Sonia Hicks, was on BBC One's Sunday Morning Live last weekend as part of a panel speaking about the effects of the cut to Universal Credit. Watch from 23 mins [here](#).

Pause for Thought



The Revd Dawn Saunders shared her 'Reflections on Black History Month' during Pause for Thought on BBC Radio 2.

Listen [here](#).

Methodist Podcast



In this special edition to mark the start of COP26 we hear about the Methodist Church's involvement in the summit.

Listen [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

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

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