

# The Methodist News

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Hello everyone and welcome to the Methodist News.

Yours,

[The Communications team](#)

## News

### We're so excited for 3Generate

3Generate is a great opportunity to deepen relationships and build on reconnecting with young people in our churches and communities. We believe you're also really excited to meet face to face with groups again, enjoying all the benefits and delights that brings with it.

Read more [here](#).



### 3Generate: a space for children and young people to speak out!



[3Generate](#) is a safe space for children and young people to engage in big, important conversations - from mental health to anti-racism, from climate justice to the future of Methodism...

What are the huge issues that your group is currently passionate about?

### Volunteer



Being on the team at 3Gen can have a big impact on the lives of children and young people. As we gather together at the NEC in Birmingham you can use your skills and gifts and play your part in inspiring and encouraging the younger generation. Plus your faith will be impacted too, we guarantee!

Find out more about the various roles and sign up [here](#).



### Church leaders urge Government to think again on Universal Credit cut

The Revd Sonia Hicks and Barbara Easton, the President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference, have joined over 1100 Church leaders in urging the Government to think again about cutting Universal Credit payments by £20 a week from the start of October.

Read more [here](#).

# Black History Month

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## Blog



We will celebrate Black History Month with a new story of Black leadership every week during October. Read the first article about the importance of including Black history in the education system, by Revd Sonia Hicks, President of the Methodist Conference, [here](#).

## Prayer



The Revd Sonia Hicks, President of the Methodist Conference has written and read a prayer for the start of Black History Month. [Watch here](#).

# Evangelism and Growth

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## Community of Evangelists launches



Last week, the new Community of Evangelists launched. It's a small and growing group of Methodists called and spiritually gifted as Evangelists. This community aims to raise up, challenge, and support theologically diverse Evangelists for our world today. Find out more [here](#).

## Hope and Anchor

If you missed the first show with special guest Chine McDonald you can find it [here](#) together with a link to her full interview. Don't forget to join us next Tuesday at 12.45 when Emma Hardy, MP for Hull West and Hessle will be with us. Find out more about the show [here](#).

## Pioneering story – The Hive



The Hive is the vision of four volunteers – Geraldine Allen and Sarah Rodgers who are on Pioneering Pathways and David and Susan Jones, who all share the vision for new ways of being church. They are working together to help people to find routes to God by connecting to the natural world, by opening up creative opportunities and by supporting well-being. Watch the video to find out more and then take a look at our New Places for New People Hubs [here](#) to find out more about how you might start a new place in your community.



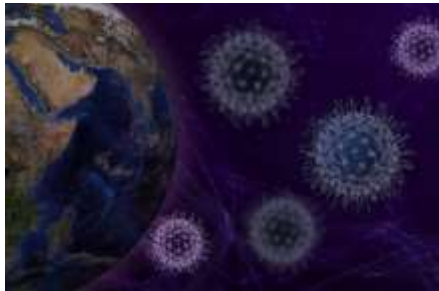
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### Holy Communion online



The Faith and Order Committee have produced further guidance for conducting services of Holy Communion online. See [Holy Communion and Online Worship](#).

### COVID-19 copyright waiver extended



The Methodist Church in Britain has made some copyright concessions during the pandemic, which allow any use of content that is our exclusive copyright in any worship context by any medium or method, providing it is non-commercial, extended to the end of August 2022. Read more [here](#).

### Black Lives Matter: John Wesley's New Room



Black Lives Matter: Readings and Conversation is a free online event hosted by John Wesley's New Room on 7 October 2021 7.30-9pm. This Zoom webinar features work shared by poets from a diverse range of backgrounds, who have all recently been featured in the anthology Black Lives Matter: Poems for a New World which was published by Civic Leicester in November 2020. Read [more](#).

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## Advent and Christmas 2021

### Great joy for all the people!

Details of this year's Advent and Christmas resources from the Methodist Church, including the Methodist Christmas Service on a CD, can be found [here](#) with pre-ordering opening shortly.



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## Features

### Open Table Network

The Open Table Network (OTN) "Q&A" for this month was a conversation between two Methodists about the recent votes on marriage, conversion therapy and gender-neutral inclusive language at the Methodist Conference in June. Revd Dr Barbara Glasson, former President of the British Methodist Conference, and a Patron of the Open Table Network, was in conversation with Revd Mark Rowland, a founder member of Dignity and Worth which works for LGBT+ equality in the Methodist Church. Watch [here](#).

### The Tent of Nations - people of hope and light shining through the dark

The Tent of Nations is a peace building project located at Daher's Vineyard, a family organic farm in the hills south-west of Bethlehem. Over recent years Angleena Keizer, Methodist Mission Partner in Jerusalem, has visited the Nassar family who own the land and who oversee the Tent of Nations. Angleena reports on the family's continued struggle to exist following decades of intimidation and, most recently, an arson attack which devastated large swathes of their land. Read more [here](#).

# Take Part

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## Connecting Chaplains Just good friends?

How can chaplains and their sending churches nurture and maintain healthy and supportive relationships? On Tuesday 5 October, at Methodist Church House we'll be joined by churches and chaplains who have been able to do just that as we seek to Connect with God, Connect with the issue, Connect with each other. Read more [here](#).

## Getting Involved in Chaplaincy

An event aimed at anyone who wants to know more about FE chaplaincy. There's no commitment to do anything following the event - but if FE chaplaincy captures your interest, it might lead somewhere exciting. Monday 11th October from 7.30pm and Thursday 14th October from 11.00am Read more [here](#).

# Media

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## The Methodist Podcast



This week's podcast is all about harvest. You can listen [here](#).

## Pause for Thought



'My Favourite Tourist Destination' - Trey Hall, our Director of Evangelism and Growth, was on BBC Radio 2 this week pausing for thought. Listen again [here](#).

## Harvest on BBC local radio



Our colleague Bridget Down who is also a Devon farmer, spoke on local radio across England about #harvest, giving thanks and her faith. Here she is on [BBC Devon](#). (From 1hrs 09ms.)

## '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](#)