

## The **Methodist News**

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Hello everyone and welcome to the Methodist News. Details of on-call media support can be found <a href="here">here.</a>
Yours.

The Communications team

## **Jubilee**

#### A Prayer for the Jubilee



### Almighty and gracious God

70 years ago, a young woman, Elizabeth, made a commitment to serve you in the life to which you called her. We thank you that, through all the changes in public life and personal life, she has remained faithful to that commitment.

May we also hear your voice, respond to your call, seek your guidance and remain faithful as we journey the pilgrimage of life with you.

Bless us, Lord, and bless our Queen.

## **Online Resources**



With the start of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations, check out our  $\underline{\text{webpage}}$  containing links to useful resources as well as photographs of the Queen visiting Methodist Central Hall Westminster.

# **Prayer for Pride Month**

### Gracious God,

As during Pride month we are reminded of your love for all people, help all those who experience internalised homophobia because of the burden of their surroundings and trauma of their past.

May the grace and peace of Christ dwell richly in our hearts, so that we may be unburdened by shame, and see ourselves as you truly see us; as your precious and diverse sons and daughters in Christ

Hear the cries of our hearts and free us by the power of your Holy Spirit.

Amen.

## **Our Methodist Church wedding**

Lou and Jackie talk about planning for their upcoming wedding in their local Methodist Church.

Watch the video here.





## **Ukraine**

#### **Podcast**

In the latest Methodist Podcast we report on the how the United Methodist Church in Poland is taking care of its guests from Ukraine finding them accommodation in chapels and offices, and we hear from the Methodist Charity All We Can about <a href="the-ioint appeal">the-ioint appeal</a> with the Methodist Church in Britain.

Listen to the podcast here.

#### **Ukraine Toolkit**

A reminder that churches supporting people affected by the war in Ukraine may find our <u>toolkit for churches</u> useful. It includes information on safe routes of passage, advocacy, prayers and suggestions on how to offer practical support.



# My Justice Journey

### Personal stories of 'Justice Journeys'

#MyJusticeJourney is a social media campaign running until this Friday, organised by the Methodist <u>Walking with Micah</u> justice project and <u>Methodist Heritage</u>.

The aim is to share stories and artefacts of personal "justice journeys" past and present.

The idea brings together Methodist organisations, heritage sites, churches and individuals, and illustrates our response over time to the Christian call to be a justice-seeking people.

You can read a series of personal stories here.

Follow on Twitter by searching for the hashtag #MyJusticeJourney.



# Thy Kingdom Come

## Thy Kingdom Come and the Jubilee celebrations

Between 26 May - 5 June 2022, join the global wave of prayer calling Christians to pray between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know the love and peace of Jesus Christ.

This year, Thy Kingdom Come corresponds with the extended bank holiday weekend for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. To mark the occasion, we are encouraging all Methodist churches to get involved with street parties in their community, and to pray before, during and after the event.

Read more details here



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