

The Methodist News

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Hello everyone and welcome to the Methodist News. Details of on-call media support can be found [here](#).

Yours,
[The Communications team](#)

A Prayer for the Queen



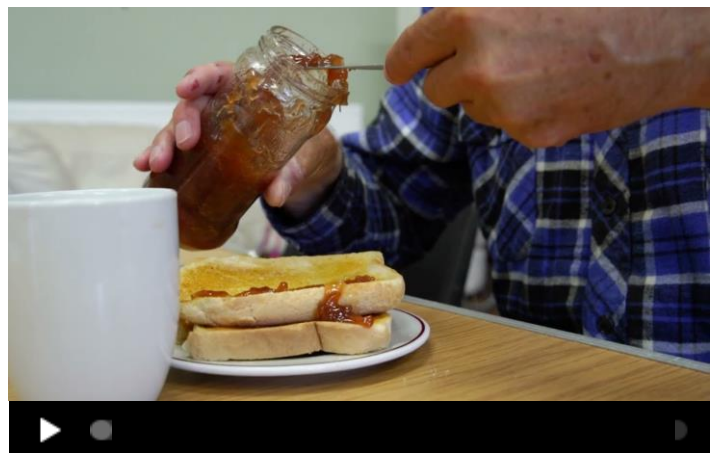
We pray for Her Majesty The Queen, for her family and for all involved in her care at Balmoral.

Love in Action

Selby St Mission - Hull

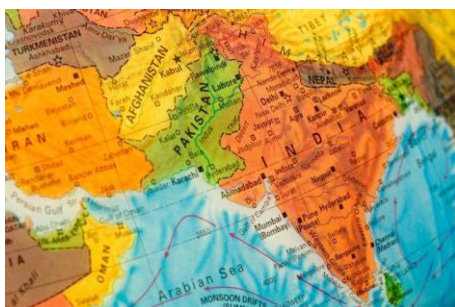
Selby Street Mission is a place where love is in action, a safe place for people to spend time, receive counselling, food, friendship, clothing, bible study, worship and prayer.

Watch the video [here](#).



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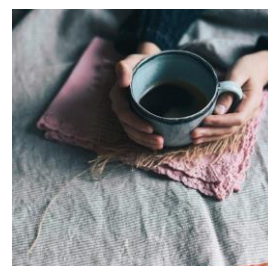
Urgent Appeal for Pakistan



All We Can and the Methodist Church in Britain have launched an urgent appeal to support communities impacted by the devastating flooding in Pakistan. More than 1300 people have died since the monsoon season began in June, and it is reported that a third of the country is now underwater.

You can find out more about how to help and donate by clicking [here](#).

Warm Spaces this Winter



In the coming months, gas and electric bills are set to dramatically increase, and this will affect people on the lowest incomes the most. Some people will have no choice but to be cold.

[Find out](#) how to create a 'Warm Space' this winter, with helpful resources, videos and advice on how you can serve your community in a real, impactful way.

PeerTalk



Methodist minister, the Revd Stephen Normanton, hopes to raise £10,000 for mental health charity PeerTalk by doing a Wing Walk, taking his commitment to the charity to a sky-high level. Stephen is the CEO of the charity, which runs peer support groups for adults living with depression, anxiety and other similar difficulties.

PeerTalk was launched in 2016 using funding supplied by the Methodist Church's grants.

You can find out more and give your support [here](#).

Church at the Economic Margins



"Church at the Margins is not a new initiative, it is at the heart of the gospel, and Christian discipleship. But my sense is that the time is now for our Church to focus on the millions in our nations that are experiencing poverty"

Methodists are being encouraged to join together and become communities where people experiencing economic hardship are welcomed, affirmed, and valued.

Find out more [here](#).

A Theology of Church at the Margins



Margins are often places of growth and adaptation, edges, thresholds between places and people. The margins of a field can enable insects, birds, and wildflowers to develop and thrive. To be marginalised as a person, however, is to be excluded, distanced, and disconnected from the life of a community by others.

Read the full blog by Deacon Eunice Atwood, exploring the theology around economic margins [here](#).

BBC Sunday Morning



The Revd David Butterworth appeared in a debate on the BBC 1 program Sunday Morning last week to consider if the UK approach to refugees crossing the channel is fair.

Watch [here](#) from 2:32.

Methodist Church House

The move from 25 Marylebone Road has been delayed and the Connexional Team will be staying in the building for the next couple of months.

We expect to be in our interim accommodation at Church House Westminster at the latest from January where we will have part of the fourth floor.

Work is continuing on the development of our permanent home at 25 Tavistock Place and we hope to be in there from January 2024. We can continue to be contacted at 25 Marylebone Road.



Evangelism and Growth

New Places for New People Hub



If you're wondering what beginning an NPNP is all about and want to find out more then the online NPNP Hubs are for you. Hubs are open to everyone, be it individuals sensing a call to pioneer or circuit leaders who want new Christian communities to become part of their mission planning. You will hear from pioneer projects and from the Evangelism and Growth Team about the support that is there for you. Click [here](#) to find all the dates and links to sign up.

Church Planting Intensive



Is God calling you to pioneer a new Christian community? From a residential on the **21 – 23 October** this year, to monthly sessions, the Church Planting Intensive is a fully funded year-long hybrid course for those who are beginning a New Place for New People.

If you're looking for a way to shape your vision and launch or continue your project, click [here](#) to sign up.

Pause for Thought

Trey Hall and Dawn Saunders

Trey Hall makes his debut appearance on Zoe Ball's BBC Radio 2 breakfast programme with his own Pause for Thought. Listen [here](#). Additionally this week, the Revd Dawn Saunders reflects on new starts. You can listen [here](#).



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