



The Methodist News

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Hello everyone and welcome back to the Methodist News.

Details of on-call media support can be found [here](#).

Yours,

The Communications team

The "Illegal Migration Bill"



"We are appalled by the proposals in the government's 'Illegal Migration Bill' to detain, punish and reject thousands of people seeking safety. They are completely incompatible with our Christian conviction that all human beings are made in the image of God, and are therefore inherently worthy of treatment which honours their dignity." Church Leaders from the Methodist Church, the United Reformed Church and the Baptist Union have signed a joint statement expressing opposition to the government's new 'Illegal Migration Bill'. You can read the whole statement, as well as a link with advice on writing to your MP, [here](#).

Neurodiversity Celebration

ADHD uncensored: The realities of living with ADHD

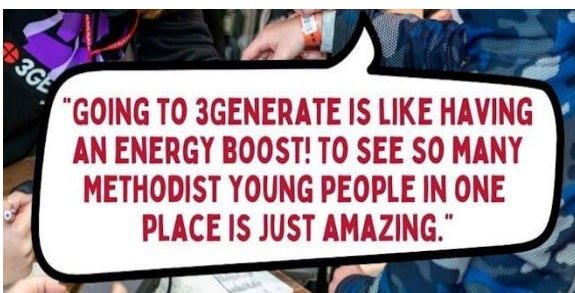
"So, if you've been following my work till now, you will know I write a lot about experiences of other conditions. But I have never really gone into details about my own life and living with ADHD. This might be a hyperfixation at 11:44pm at night but this is that story."

To mark Neurodiversity Celebration Week from **13 - 19 March**, the Methodist Youth President, James Carver, shares this insightful blog of what it is like to live with ADHD, by allowing his own ADHD to take full reign of his writing.

Read his full blog [here](#), and find out more Neurodiversity Celebration Week [here](#).

3Generate Needs You

Applications have opened for an amazing volunteering experience supporting 3Generate 2023!



We are looking for new people to join the incredible team of staff and volunteers working to make 3Generate the amazing event it is. There are loads of ways you can get involved, from supporting children and young people in the venues to admin support at the event, or even just helping with set-up and pack-down during the weekend. There's something for everyone, and we can practically guarantee a memorable time whatever you end up doing! If you'd like more information, you can click [here](#) to find out more and apply.

Rural Ministry

Church at the Margins: Rural Network

Come along on 28 March and join an online space aimed at encouraging people who are supporting or nurturing new Christian communities amongst economically marginalised people.

Click [here](#) for more information and to book.



Positively Rural: EDI in a Rural Context

How do rural churches engage with Equality, Diversity and Inclusion work?

On 26 April the Revd Jill Marsh, the Inclusive Church Officer for the Methodist Church, will be helping us think about this question as we aim to reflect God's inclusive love for all people in our own local communities.

Find out more and sign up [here](#).



Peace and Justice: Methodist prayers for public worship



As our work around social justice continues, we'd love your thoughts on whether a book of prayers on peace and justice would be useful. It would be primarily aimed at resourcing preachers and leaders of worship. We'd really value your opinion on how it could help. [This short survey](#) will take around 15 minutes to complete.

Deadline for submission: Friday 10 March, 10am.

Global Peace Prayer

Christians are called into prayer and advocacy for peace. In a global context where war and violence abound, the practice of peace has become even more urgent.

The World Methodist Council, alongside other Christian World Communions and the World Council of Churches, will be taking part in a Global Peace Prayer on **22 March** at 3pm Central European Time (**2pm GMT**).

This online prayer event will be held on Zoom, and you can register to attend [here](#).

Pause for Thought

On Monday morning, Trey Hall, Director of Evangelism and Growth, was back on BBC Radio 2 with Zoe Ball.

This week he talked about things that go together: "#LGBTQ Pride, evangelism, and God loving us into something new."

Listen back to it [here](#).

You can also catch Trey on Pause for Thought with Zoe Ball next Monday.



Considering teaching RE?



Are you interested in helping the next generation learn how to think? Do you want a challenging and rewarding career helping young people engage with the big questions in life?

Religious Education is a subject that places students at the heart of the complex and dynamic nature of our multi religious, multi secular world. It has never been more important, recognised by wider society as vital for preparing students for life in global Britain. [Find out more.](#)

Job Opportunities

Global Programmes Delivery Officer

We are looking for someone to play a key role in the maintenance and development of relationships between Partner Churches and Organisations throughout the world and the Methodist Church in Britain (MCB), primarily through the development and implementation of People to People programmes and to promote and raise awareness among children and young people of MCB's relationship with our global partners. [Find out more.](#)

Senior IT Infrastructure Engineer

We are looking for someone who will be responsible for supporting the delivery of the core operational IT infrastructure, underpinning all services both internally and externally in a responsive and customer focussed manner. [Find out more.](#)

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