

The Methodist News 5th October 2023

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The Methodist Church Communications team

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3Gen - The Children and Youth Assembly of the Methodist Church



3Generate takes place this weekend at the NEC in Birmingham. The event aims to create an inclusive and diverse space for the prophetic voice of Methodist children and young people to emerge and be heard. It enables them to speak courageously, and listen to God and each other. Keep an eye on our social media for updates from the weekend!

Pray for those at 3Generate

As we prepare to meet at 3Generate, we pray for all children and young people.

We pray that they will be able to tune into God, the World and each other, as well as speak out on what matters to them.

We pray for all the group leaders bringing children and young people to 3Generate.

We pray that they would know God is with them in all they say and do with their groups over the weekend.

Together we pray for all those volunteering at 3Generate, serving in a host of different ways. We pray that God would grow each and every one's sense of vocation as they use their gifts and skills.

Amen

Black History Month



As part of Black History Month, the Revd Novette Headley, Chair of the Birmingham Methodist District, shares this reflection on the legacy of the Windrush generation and its influence on the Methodist Church in Britain.

[Read the reflection here](#)

Exploring Digital Online Conference



"I found the entire day very enriching, engaging and inspirational."

Last weekend, it was the Exploring Digital Online Conference where over 500 people from across the world came to engage and participate in. The event took place on Saturday, 30 September, at Church House Westminster where three keynote speakers provided their input and people commented on how they enjoyed the day. There is new series called *Exploring Digital Lunchtime Learning* which will be starting on Wednesday 15 November 12:00-13:00pm where Fiona Fidgin and Ali Johnson will be unravelling the mystery of AI. You can register for your place [here](#).

[Discover how it went here](#)

Paisley Central Hall



Paisley Central Hall, near Glasgow, is the last remaining Central Hall still used by a [Methodist congregation](#) in Scotland. At the heart of Paisley, in the Glasgow suburbs, the hall remains a vibrant testimony of how lively and resilient Methodism is in Scotland. On Scottish Heritage Day in September 2022, more than 500 people came to visit the hall.

[Read more here](#)

World Mental Health Day



As we mark World Mental Health Day on 10 October, the Revd Stephen G Normanton, shares a prayer and writes about the charity he founded and is CEO of, PeerTalk. Its Methodist roots and its on-going work encouraging people to talk together about mental health.

[Read the prayer here](#)

Connecting Chaplains with the President and Vice-President of Conference

We're in challenging time, and yet people still talk of God at work in our broken world. Chaplains are part of God's mission - living out the love of God in so many different places and discovering hidden treasures as people encounter God. On Thursday, 9 November, join us for a celebration of chaplaincy with the President and Vice-President of the Methodist Conference as they link their theme of *'Hidden Treasures'* to the work of chaplaincy.

[Book your place here](#)

Be a part of
The Connexional Team

If you're interested in being a part of the Connexional Team or interested in volunteering with the Methodist Church, then take a look to see what roles are available. Please make sure to share if you know of anyone who may be interested.

[Take a look at our job and volunteering opportunities](#)

News & Events

Prisons Week from 8-14 October

Prison Week raises awareness and generates prayer. It motivates people to step forward and give their time and gifts in prisons and in their own communities. It provides annual focus and reason for Christians to work together to make a difference for people who are out of sight and often out of mind.

Jack Key, a Free Church Chaplain, shares this reflection and prayer for Prisons Week.

[Read prayer and reflection here](#)

Methodist Housing Society Podcast

Keep your sunny side up by listening to a review of a supper summer for Methodist Ministers Housing Society (MMHS) in their most recent podcast. Hear about just some of the ways MMHS are celebrating their 75th Anniversary of providing properties for retired presbyters and deacons. Listen to the podcast and enjoy!

[Listen here](#)

Six session online module *On the Edge* free to Methodists

In the UK, 13.6 million people - that's one in four - are facing financial hardship. This has a devastating impact on the lives of individuals, families, and whole communities. As disciples of Jesus Christ, we are all called to respond to people struggling. God did not create human beings to live in poverty. We are partnering with Crucible to offer the 6-session online module *On the Edge* free to Methodists. *On the Edge* is a space for anyone to develop their thinking about nurturing communities amongst people experiencing economic poverty. Register for the October 2023 course [here](#) or for the January 2024 course [here](#). The code to access a free ticket for Methodists is: **MARGINS2024**.

To access other courses, networking events and guidance for starting Church at the Margins, click here. If you're a circuit beginning to think about starting a new Christian community, download the new NPNP guide for circuits [here](#).

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