

The Methodist News 4th April 2024

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Gaza appeal



The Methodist Church Gaza appeal is still open.

This appeal supports the emergency work being carried out in Gaza by the Methodist Liaison Office's partners. The partner's work focuses on helping civilians in Gaza with medical, dental and mental health issues and offering them financial support.

One of our partners told us: "Be assured that 'every drop count's when it comes to helping and healing people in dire need. When people are losing all means and resources and living on survival mode, the drops count. This drop could be a meaningful and life-changing experience for a lonely little child, [who has] lost her entire family and forcibly displaced, to live with her previous neighbours in UNRWA school far from where she [was] raised, and finding a counsellor offering psychosocial support to bring some warmth that [was] lost with her family."

[Support the appeal here](#)

World Autism Acceptance Week



This week, 2 to 8 April 2024, is [World Autism Acceptance Week](#) and the Revd Verity Phillips shares this blog about how she was diagnosed with autism as an adult.

"The best of all, I think, is discovering that there are things people value about me now. That I do have skills and abilities to offer; they're just not the kind of things you're taught."

[Read her blog here](#)

Pre-Loved



Pre-Loved is a shop based on bringing the community together by helping families who are struggling to make ends meet. It's located in Keighley, West Yorkshire - an area that is considered the second most deprived area of the Bradford district. "We are a community shop. We are here to bless and love the community, not make money. The name also has a theological meaning as within our Wesleyan tradition, we have prevenient grace that we are already pre-loved by God."

[Find out more here](#)

Protecting God's word



Over the years, [Radyr Methodist Church](#) has put climate justice at the heart of its calling. They have improved their church building and offered lifestyle ideas on how to improve the planet. The church has even shared eco-friendly wisdom in its Environment Sunday Services.

“As churches, we really have a responsibility to say we understand it's God's world and we don't want to mess it up.”

[Find out more about their work here](#)

Apply here!

Festival Events Coordinator

Evangelism and Growth team are looking for someone with events experience, organisational skills, and an inclusive approach to faith to take on a new post of Festival Events Coordinator.

It is considered a requirement for this role that the postholder should be a practising Christian.

The closing date to apply is 18 April 2024.

[Find out more about the job here](#)

Volunteer here!

Methodist Solidarity Circle

We are looking for new volunteers for our Solidarity Circles.

Solidarity Circles are online meetings for the Methodist Church to support people in different diversities of the Church's life to meet regularly, to support one another and to raise with relevant Church leaders the concerns that need to be addressed

This voluntary role consists of a home-based appointment working online through Zoom, for an agreed period of either one, two or three years.

If you are passionate about working with others towards a fully inclusive church and meet the criteria then please consider applying to join one or more of the Solidarity Circles

The closing date to apply is 9 May 2024.

[Apply to volunteer here](#)

Exploring Digital Lunchtime Learning



It's not too late to join us on Wednesday 17 April for our Exploring Digital Lunchtime Learning which this month is delving into the causes of digital poverty. If poverty contradicts the will of God, how should we respond to the reality of digital poverty for over 14.4 million people in the UK? We are not just spotlighting the issues but seeking solutions together. Join Deacon Eunice Attwood, Church on the Margins Officer and Deacon Kerry Scarlett, Vice-President of the Methodist Conference who are leading the session and sharing with us how we can make a positive impact together. Join us in the conversation and get ready to be part of the solution.

[Register your place here](#)

News and events

What do you think?

If you're passionate about creativity, evangelism and aged 18-30, then this [online workshop](#) is perfect for you. It will give you the opportunity to discuss topics on digital discipleship and share innovative ideas while sparking up engaging conversations

If you can't make it to the workshop, you can [fill in this short survey](#) and share your thoughts.

[Sign up here](#)

Spring edition of *Roof 'n' Roots*

Progression rock helped retired Methodist minister, Revd John Simms, to re-tune and recover from a serious road accident. Now a popular podcaster, he shares his remarkable story in the spring edition of *Roof 'n' Roots*, the official newsletter of Methodist Minister Housing Society (MMHS).

[Read the newsletter here](#)

Be a part of the Connexional Team

If you're interested in being a part of the Connexional Team or 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](#)

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