

The Methodist News 6th June 2024

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D-Day Story of a Methodist chaplain



To mark 80 years since D-Day, we share the story of Revd Leslie Skinner, a Methodist Minister and the first Army chaplain to land on the beaches of Normandy.

You can also [read this blog](#) here where it details the timeline of his work and how he went above and beyond on D-Day.

[Watch the video here](#)

A new church to serve the community



After a decade of planning, fundraising and construction, [Emmanuel Church](#) in Eastbourne, in the [South East District](#), has finally opened. The Methodist-URC Local Ecumenical Partnership Church will cater to the needs of the community with events and activities every day of the week.

"We want for the life of the community and the church to be blended together. With all those events, there are hundreds of people coming into the building every week."

[Read more here](#)

Resurrected Bites



Resurrected Bites is a café in the Yorkshire North & East Methodist District. Apart from offering delicious meals that cater towards all diets, its main aim is to help the environment and people who are suffering from food poverty.

"This project checks so many boxes, people love the environmental aspect of it as food waste is a massive issue. But it also means that if people are coming to us because they are lonely or they are living in food poverty."

[Read the more here](#)

The Methodist Church at the RHS Flower Show



The Methodist Church will show its first garden at the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) Flower Show at Tatton Park, Cheshire. The garden, 'This Garden Isn't Finished Without You', illustrates the Methodist Church in Great Britain's commitment to diversity, inclusion and sustainability. It will be open to the public from 17-21 July.

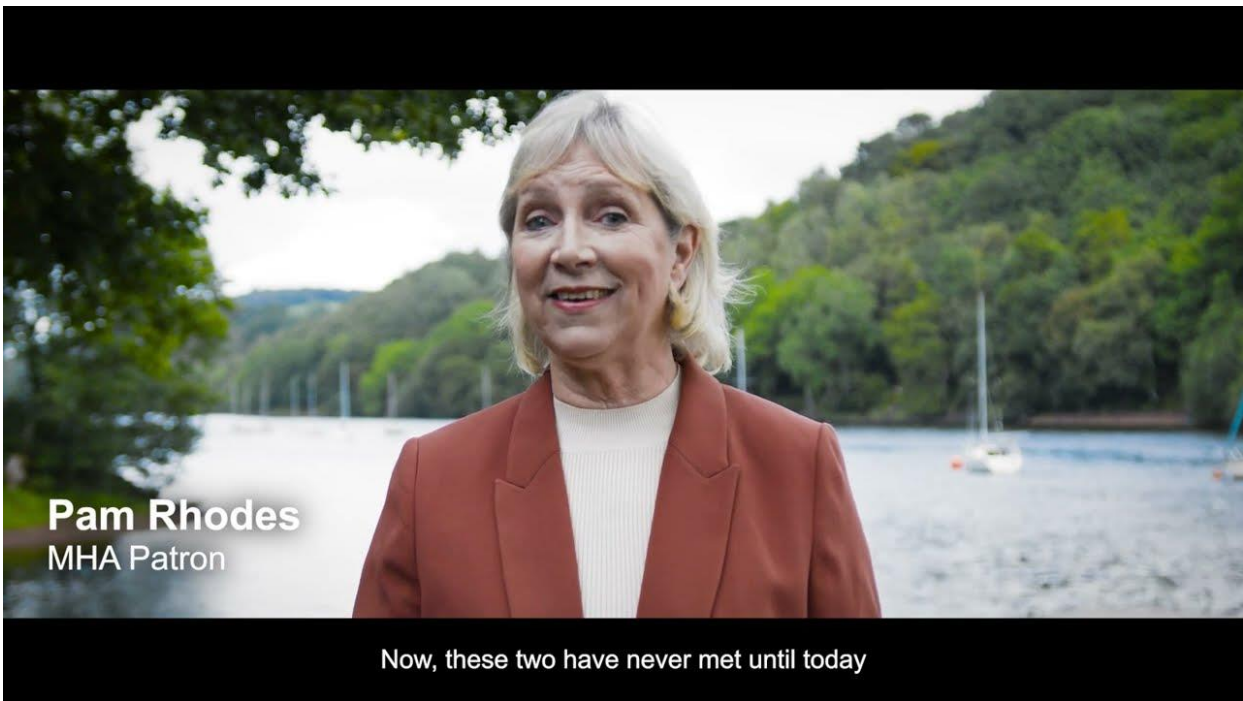
[Discover more here](#)

Pacific Conference of Churches

Unrest in the nation of Kanaky/New Caledonia (a colony of France) has resulted in the deaths of seven people, with many others injured and properties destroyed. Our partner, the Pacific Conference of Churches, has issued a statement of solidarity with the people of Kanaky. Please hold the people of Kanaky/New Caledonia in your prayers.

[Read the statement here](#)

MHA Sunday is this weekend



MHA Sunday takes place on 9 June and this year celebrates the power of friendship, reflecting on Mark 4 30-32, the Parable of the Mustard Seed. Watch this film celebrating a friendship nurtured through MHA's befriending service.

[Watch the film here](#)

Voter Registration Week

Voter Registration Week takes place 9-18 June 2024. With just a few weeks to go before the election, the Electoral Commission estimates that 8 million eligible voters will miss out because they are not properly registered. Four million eligible voters will miss out because they don't have Photo ID. And 14 million eligible voters won't see the point of turning out to vote. Find out what your church can do to help.

[Become a Voter Registration Champion here](#)

Five thoughts on healthy uses of power



Both overusing and giving up power can be unhealthy. Explore five thoughts on how we use our power, and speak of God's power, in ways that help us and others see God more clearly.

[Read the blog here](#)

Exploring Digital Lunchtime Learning



Wednesday 10 July 12.00pm-1.00pm

Have you heard the latest episode of the Hope and Anchor podcast where Rev Kate Botley talks to Trey and Jaz about body image, fame, death and funerals? It's time to tune in because podcasts are becoming more popular - they are free, easily accessible, have a global reach and a great tool for mission and evangelism.

In our upcoming Lunchtime Learning session, we dive deep into the world of podcasting with Trey Hall of the Hope & Anchor podcast and Sam Roberts from Faith, Hope and The Journey podcast. They'll explore the why, what, and how of podcasting.

Don't miss out on these transformative conversations! Whether you're a seasoned podcast listener or new to the scene, these shows offer something truly special. Tune in, be inspired, and join the conversation!

[Book your place here](#)

News and events

Mixed Ecology and all things on the Edge

Join in on 13 June for a deep dive into the world of mixed ecology and all things on the edge! A day of conversation led by a wide range of practitioners and enablers from the Methodist Church, Church of England and CMS. For those already engaged in pioneering and working on the edges of the church.

[Join in here](#)

June eco tips

One of A Rocha UK's firm beliefs is that we are more likely to nurture and defend God's creation if we spend time enjoying it. The Wildlife Trusts' 30 Days Wild challenge is a great opportunity to engage with nature as an individual, household, or with your church community throughout June.

[Read this months tips here](#)

National Month of Prayer for toddler groups

June is the National Month of Prayer for toddler groups. The theme for 2024 is the Parable of the Mustard Seed and there are further ideas and resources to celebrate ministry with young children.

[Find the resources here](#)

Hidden Hardships

Explore hidden rural poverty with this fabulous new resource from Coventry University, written in consultation with Sarah Hume our Rural Officer and Eunice Attwood, Church at the Margins Officer.

[Discover the guide here](#)

Fresh Expressions

An online ecumenical 'brave' space for church at the economic margins advocates and practitioners of fresh expressions of church, hosted by Fresh Expressions and the Methodist Church - Tim Lea, Fresh Expressions Networks facilitator and animator and Eunice Attwood. Theme: Let's End Poverty, guest speaker: Hannah Fremont-Brown, Let's End Poverty Movement Coordinator.

[Join here](#)

Lord Wharton Bible Charity

The [Lord Wharton Bible Charity](#) is looking for a Methodist Trustee to join the six other board of trustees. The charity is seeking enquiries from interested parties, lay or ordained, to take on this role for initially six years.

Involvement in children's work, as a school chaplain, or with an interest in sharing the Bible would be useful but not essential. Please send in your CV by 1 August.

[Email your CV 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](#)

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