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Prayer for Communities Affected by Flooding in Nepal and Tibet



We hold in prayer the communities across Nepal and Tibet that are facing devastating loss following floods triggered by a glacier collapse in the Himalayan border region. Hundreds of people are known to have died, many more remain missing and thousands of lives have been disrupted.

[Read the prayer here](#)

Start of the Connexional Year – Reflections from the President, the Revd Mark Slaney



"I invite you to contemplate deeply what solidarity you and the church to which you belong both practice, and might be called to practise, in local contexts and in relation to the cries for justice and mercy worldwide."

The President of the Conference, the Revd Mark Slaney, reflects on the start of the Connexional Year in this special address.

[Read Mark's reflection here](#)

Pilgrim's Progress on Scenic Routes



British Methodists have taken part in two special pilgrimages in August, one in the UK and one across the Channel. The different groups took route in both Wales and the ecumenical community of Taizé in France, exploring their faith and enjoying the stunning scenery on offer.

[Read more here](#)



A video that can be shared in churches showing the highlights of the 2026 Methodist Conference is now available to stream and download.

The video includes the induction of the President and Vice-President along with topics discussed at the Conference such as assisted dying, Israel/Palestine, artificial intelligence and online communion.

[Watch the video on Youtube](#)

[Download the video from Vimeo](#)

Reparative Justice – Consultation Period



How could the Methodist Church respond to its historical links to the transatlantic trade in enslaved African people? Join in with a consultation launching this autumn and contribute your views as the Church journeys towards repentance and repair.

Find out about:

- in-person and online events
- materials to run your own local discussions
- an online survey.

Feedback will help inform recommendations and actions put to the Methodist Conference in 2027.

[Read more here](#)

Greenbelt and Big Church Festivals



We're delighted to be back at Greenbelt this weekend and to be heading to Big Church Festival for the first time.

At **Greenbelt** we'll be hosting the Hope & Anchor venue, a space to gather together to explore subjects we perhaps normally shy away from. We're also thrilled to be joined by Recovery Church and Rev7. Greenbelt Festival runs until Sunday 30 August at Boughton House, Northamptonshire.

At **Big Church Festival** we'll be hosting the Skate Ramp and feel privileged to have a team of pioneers joining us, sharing the Methodist Church's vision of pioneering New Places for New People. Big Church Festival runs from Friday 28 August to Sunday 30 August at Wiston Estate, West Sussex.

[Read more about Greenbelt](#)

[Read more about Big Church Festival](#)

Faith-Rooted Community Organising (FRCO) Training



This course is for anyone starting a new project at their church, engaging with the wider community or wanting to increase their congregation.

The weekend residential helps you discover how FRCO can enable you to strengthen your local church and build effective relationships and collaborations in your communities. It runs from 30 October to 1 November, at Yarnfield.

[Read more here](#)

Missional Use of Property Online Consultation



Our properties are a visible sign of our presence in local communities – how we use them well for mission and steward the resources we've been given is important.

Following a report to the Methodist Conference, consultations are to take place to develop a clear and theologically informed understanding of the local church, a rationale and framework for property and matters related to Local Church Trustees. Online consultations will be held in November.

[Dates and booking here](#)

Listen Again

BBC Radio 4 Sunday Programme

The Revd Chris Jackson talks to the BBC Radio 4 Sunday programme about the Devon 'Rural Recharge' project which helps farmers connect with each other amid high rates of loneliness in the agriculture sector.

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Pause for Thought – the Revd Tony Miles

"The right word at the right time is like precious gold set in silver."

In 'Don't leave important words unsaid', the Revd Tony Miles reflects on this week's theme, 'A Summer Postcard' and how just a few meaningful words can make all the difference.

[Listen here](#)

Pause for Thought – the Revd Matt Finch

"Perhaps I don't need more pictures, I need the wisdom to know what is worth saying."

In 'Discover what is truly important', the Revd Matt Finch contemplates this week's theme 'A Summer Postcard' and realises it's the quality not the quantity of your words that has the most profound impact.

[Listen 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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