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Prayers after Liverpool parade collision



Following Monday's incident that left dozens of people injured during Liverpool FC's victory parade in the city, the District Chair, the Revd Dr James Tebbutt, and the Deputy District Chair and Liverpool Plus Mission Area Lead, the Revd Caroline Ainger, shared prayers, along with those of Churches Together in the Merseyside Region.

[Read the prayers here](#)

Courage, Cost and Hope - The Methodist Church Past Cases Review 2015





It is now ten years since the Methodist Church produced a report looking at all known cases of abuse from the previous 50 years and committed itself to taking action. Following over 2,500 referrals, many hours of professional casework were undertaken and common themes emerged providing the Church with an action plan to improve and respond appropriately to victims and survivors.

Over the next year we will share monthly reflections on what this has meant for the Church. We are very pleased to begin this series with the Revd Helen Cameron, currently President of the Methodist Conference, and previously the Assistant Secretary of Conference, who chaired the Past Cases Review Implementation Group.

[Read Helen's blog here](#)

Celebrating Wesley Day



Wesley Day was celebrated at [Wesley's Chapel](#) in London with a pilgrimage to [St. Paul's Cathedral](#) and a full day of worship and activities, including music and costumed characters. The Revd Helen Cameron,

President of the Methodist Conference, and Mrs Carolyn Godfrey, Vice-President of the Methodist Conference, joined the fun and worship.

[See photographs from the day here](#)

Enfield's first Black mayor of Caribbean heritage



"I would like to take a moment to thank the Lord for walking with me even when I couldn't see the path. Your presence has been my strength, my comfort and my peace. It is through Your guidance that I step into this role, committed to serving with integrity, faith and compassion."

On 14 May 2025, Councillor Margaret Greer, a circuit steward, was officially inducted as Mayor of Enfield, becoming the first Black woman of Caribbean heritage to hold this office.

[Read more here](#)

Military conscription in Ukraine





"The fear of being forcefully taken from the street, and conscripted into the military, means that many men of military age do not leave their homes."

The Revd Dr Barry Sloan, Partnership Coordinator for Europe in the Global Relationships team, reflects on the concerns around conscription he encountered on his recent visit to our Partner Church in Ukraine.

[Read Barry's blog here](#)

MHA home gives new lease of life to a congregation



"What we have here is unique: we give time and value to the spirituality of our residents."

dwindling to just 15, the small congregation could no longer maintain their property or meet administrative requirements. Yet, rather than severing spiritual connections, this transition has sparked renewed engagement between the wider Methodist community and MHA Montpellier Manor residents.

[Read the blog here](#)

How Billy Elliot writer brings theatre to the community

The theatre company Ensemble '84, based at Horden Methodist Church, has appeared on Channel 4 News. Writer, Lee Hall, Artistic Director, Mark Dornford-May, and cast member, Brodie Daniel, talk about the significance of *Mother Courage and Her Children* and the impact of housing the theatre company in a County Durham pit village.

[Watch here](#)

Sharing solar energy in Knaresborough

Gracious Street Methodist Church in Knaresborough has installed solar panels on its roof as part of a local scheme that allows the church to divert excess energy to homes and businesses in the community.

[Read more here](#)

Events

Wholehearted Monthly

For the next Wholehearted event, Tuesday 10 June, 7.00-9.00pm, we'll be joined by Dr Krish Kandiah, social entrepreneur, advocate for refugees and vulnerable children, broadcaster on Radio 4 and Radio 2 and author of many books, including the award-winning *Paradoxology: Why Christianity Was Never Meant to Be Simple*.

[Find out more and book](#)

Christian Aid – global justice

Christian Aid is calling for change to the unequal global debt system which robs millions of families of the chance of a better life. A series of workshops and webinars have been organised to give people more information on the issues and on how they can join the movement. The next webinar is on Wednesday 4 June, from 7.00 to 8.30pm.

[Book here](#)

Children, Youth and Families fellowship

The Well Conference 2025 takes place at Kents Hill Park, Milton Keynes from Friday 13 to Saturday 14 June 2025, offering support on children, youth and family faith formation. Speaker John Roberto from Lifelong Faith will be helping you to shape strategies for discipleship and ministry in your church and community. Tickets are just £60.

[Find out more and book](#)

Church at the Margins

Poverty contradicts the will of God. That's why the Methodist Church is prioritising creating new Christian communities amongst and led by people who are struggling financially. See how Church at the Margins pioneers, like Jonathan, are listening and starting new forms of church amongst, and led by, people experiencing poverty. You can also sign up for the training course on [Beginning a Church at the Margins](#).

[Watch Jonathan's video](#)

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.

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