



Methodist Women in Britain



for women, for justice, for Christ

The British Unit of the World Federation of Methodist & Uniting Church Women

Prayer Diary

June to August 2024

*Join us in praying for Methodist Women in Britain Trustees & Ambassadors,
World Federation Officers and Methodist Women in Ireland Officers
as well as the work of Methodist Women in Britain across our Districts.*

Our prayer diary can be used alongside the Methodist Church Prayer Handbook.

Day 1	Methodist Women in Britain Co-chair North: Ruth Parrott & Co-chair South: Maggie Woods & Co-chair North Designate: Leonora Wassell
Day 2	Helen Kim Scholars Britain & Ireland: Madeleine Reed & Heidi Hogan
Day 3	WFM&UCW World President: Sipiwe Chisvo & WFM&UCW President Emerita: Alison Judd
Day 4	London, Beds, Essex & Herts and South East MWiB Area Trustee: Linda King
Day 5	Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury, Birmingham, Mid Wales MWiB Area Trustee: Diana Bosman
Day 6	Bolton & Rochdale and Lancashire MWiB Area Trustee: Philippa Hill
Day 7	Methodist Women in Ireland All Ireland President: Olive Rowe
Day 8	Bristol and South Wales MWiB Area Trustee: Gillian Pengelly
Day 9	MWiB Area Ambassadors: Sandra Goodwin, Helen Cornick, Cynthia Bonds, Annah Mwadiwa, Ruth Dawson
Day 10	Methodist Women in Ireland Southern District Vice President: Wanda Hogan
Day 11	Liverpool, Chester & Stoke, North Wales, Manchester & Stockport MWiB Area Trustee: Margaret Lindley
Day 12	Methodist Women in Britain Communications Officer: Bronwen Braidell
Day 13	Darlington, Newcastle and Cumbria MWiB Area Trustee: Debs Coggrave
Day 14	World Day of Prayer Representative: Charity Madenyika
Day 15	Methodist Women in Ireland North Eastern District Vice President: Audrey Burrows
Day 16	World Federation Ireland Unit Correspondent: Moira McMurray
Day 17	Lincolnshire and East Anglia MWiB Area Trustee: Rita Rowe
Day 18	North Eastern & North Western District (Ireland) World Federation Reps: Sally Rock & Ruth Wilson
Day 19	Methodist Women in Britain Digital Media Coordinator: Ruth Dawson
Day 20	WFM&UCW Area President & Vice President: Barbara Easton & Wanda Hogan
Day 21	MWiB Area Ambassadors: Elizabeth Colley, Jackie Hartrey, Jacky Woor, Hazel Jackson, Gillian Womersley
Day 22	Methodist Women in Britain Finance Officer: Sheila Hall
Day 23	Notts & Derby and Northampton MWiB Area Trustee: Mary Gill
Day 24	Cornwall and Plymouth & Exeter MWiB Area Trustee: Elaine Banks
Day 25	MWiB Area Ambassadors: Ann Taylor, Janet Thompson, Pam Gidney, Sue Clarke, Margaret Johnson, Sue Smith
Day 26	Southampton and Channel Islands MWiB Area Trustee: Liz Chick
Day 27	MWiB Area Ambassadors: Judith Oldroyd, Claire Middleton, Pamela Stenson, Barbara Rumfitt, Glenda Sidding
Day 28	MWiB Area Ambassadors: Gwenda Humphries, Susan Murrell, Naledi Phaladi, Di Smart, Viv Lowe
Day 29	Yorkshire West, Yorkshire North & East and Sheffield MWiB Area Trustee: Janice Clark
Day 30	Scotland and Shetland MWiB Area Trustee: Barbara Harrison
Day 31	Your local officers, activities and projects

What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer

Could I bring you all my hopes and dreams, my moments of despair?

Could you take what I'm thinking and find that it's a prayer?

(Joy Webb Singing The Faith 522)

2 nd June	3rd – Exec meeting On this day in 1953, Queen Elizabeth II had her coronation. Let’s pray for her son King Charles, and for monarchs, prime ministers and presidents around the world who seek to influence and help the people of their countries.
9 th June	13th-17th World Federation European Seminar Porto - Rooted & Grounded in Love Let us pray that, even if we are not meeting with our sisters in Porto, we too will be rooted and grounded in the love of God as we feel it through the Holy Spirit, but also as we feel it through our Christian fellowship.
16 th June	Today is Bloomsday, when Ireland celebrates the iconic author James Joyce. Let’s thank God for our Irish siblings in Messiah, especially Methodist Women in Ireland, as they pray for peace in an age of political uncertainty.
23 rd June	28th – FTG meeting; Mary Bosanquet lecture with Chine McDonald Chine McDonald wrote the wonderful book ‘ <i>God is Not a White Man</i> ’. Let’s pray today that those who have been damaged by racist interpretations of Scripture will find healing, and that the worldwide church will humble itself in repentance.
30 th June	3rd – 4th July – Exec planning meeting On this day in 1937, the world’s first emergency number - 999 - was set up in London. Let’s pray today for people worldwide who are in danger, especially those in countries where they cannot access or rely on emergency services.
7 th July	On this day in 2017, 112 countries voted in favour of the adoption of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. Let’s come before God today and pray for a world without war or violence.
14 th July	On this day in 1907, the National Association for Women’s Suffrage in Norway won the right for women to vote in parliamentary elections. Let’s pray today for women worldwide who are still being systematically oppressed, and denied the right to have their needs met or their voices heard.
21 st July	On this day in 1969, Neil Armstrong became the first person on the moon. Let’s give thanks to God for scientific knowledge and progress, and pray a blessing on the scientists who are working to deepen our understanding of God’s creation, to improve quality of life, and to make progress in medicine and hospital technology.
28 th July	On this day in 1866, Beatrix Potter was born. Let’s thank God for every fresh expression of church which helps reveal Messiah to children and young people, and pray that He will enable us to be like little children in our ministry.
4 th August	On this day in 1944, Anne Frank and her family were arrested when they were discovered hiding from the Nazis. Let’s pray for protection over everyone at risk of being targeted by hate crimes, and pray that God’s Kingdom will come so that nobody needs to fear for their lives. Let’s pray that God will enable us to do what we can in our sphere of influence to make our communities safe for those who are not safe elsewhere.
11 th August	On this day in 1942, American actress Hedy Lamarr and composer George Antheil received a patent for something which would later become Wi-Fi. Today, let’s pray thanks for the wonderful contributions women have made to society throughout time, and pray also that women’s achievements will no longer be played down or overlooked.
18 th August	On this day in 2019, a huge funeral was held in Iceland to mourn the loss of Okjökull glacier which originally covered six square miles, but had now melted completely. Let’s pray today for the climate crisis, that governments, corporations, and civilians will rise to the challenge of halting, and hopefully reversing the damage inflicted on the beautiful world for which God gave us responsibility.
25 th August	On this day in 1944, Paris was liberated from Nazi occupation by the Allies. Let’s pray today that oppressed peoples will be set free, and more than that, that people oppressed by sin may be redeemed by Messiah. Let’s also pray for people to be set free from beliefs and behaviours that lead to cruelty and pain.

(Prayer focus this quarter prepared by Madeleine Reed, Helen Kim Memorial Scholar)