



Methodist Women in Britain



for women, for justice, for Christ

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

Prayer Diary

September to November 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 Areas & Districts.
Our prayer diary can be used alongside the Methodist Church Prayer Handbook.*

Day 1	Methodist Women in Britain Cochairs: Maggie Woods & 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: Annah Mwadiwa
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: Helen Cornick, Cynthia Bonds, Ruth Dawson & Caroline Fillery: Resources
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 Braisdell
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, Delphine Gratrix, 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)

1 st Sept	2nd Swanwick Task Group Let us pray for probationer ministers starting out in circuit, and ministers beginning new appointments or retirement, that God will bless them as they enter the next chapter of their story, and keep them praising Him through the hard transition period.
8 th Sept	9th Finance Task Group On this day in 1966, the first episode of <i>Star Trek</i> was aired on US televisions. Let's pray today for people who have a vision of the future which is motivated by hope, and not despair. Let's pray for people who are willing to share their vision of a future with no more poverty or war.
15 th Sept	16th Exec Meeting; 21st Maggie District meeting Battle; 22nd Maggie St Leonard's on Sea Ukraine project On this day in 1981, the first female justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, Sandra Day O'Conner, was approved unanimously by the Senate Judiciary Committee. Let's give thanks for how far we have come in the fight for equal rights for women, and pray for how far we have yet to go.
22 nd Sept	23rd Trustees & Ambassadors Meeting; 28th – Leonora's commissioning service in Harrogate On this day in 1991, the Dead Sea Scrolls were made available to the public for the first time. Let's give thanks for our access to the Holy Scriptures, and our freedom to wrestle with our understanding of them. Let's pray for those people around the world who are denied access to the Bible, or who are denied the freedom to explore it on their own terms.
29 th Sept	4th – 6th October Trustees Meeting at Swanwick On this day in 1829, the Metropolitan Police of London was founded. Let's pray for police around the world, that they might be dependable and honest – and that corrupt systems might be blessed with the right people and tools to see justice and correction done.
6 th Oct	On this day in 1927, <i>The Jazz Singer</i> became the first talkie film in cinemas. Let's give thanks for human ingenuity and the vast technological advances made over the last century, and let's pray that the technologies now being developed will be beneficial and good for the world.
13 th Oct	14th Exec Meeting; 19th – World Federation Day at Stamford with Dr Nancy Day As we prepare for the World Federation Day, let's give thanks for the women around the world who aren't afraid to be loud and 'unladylike' for the sake of justice and social reform.
20 th Oct	On this day in 1973, the Sydney Opera House was opened. Let's give thanks to God for skill and creativity, and pray for those people who enable us to meet with God through their art.
27 th Oct	On this day in 1961, NASA tested the first Saturn I rocket in Mission Saturn-Apollo I. Let's pray for scientific advancements, especially in areas that make a material difference to ordinary people, such as medical equipment and environmentally friendly alternative energies.
3 rd Nov	7th – 9th Exec Retreat On this day in 1793, Olympe de Gouges, a politically outspoken French playwright, journalist, and feminist, was guillotined. Let's give thanks for those who fought for a place for women in spheres beyond the home, and for people who lose their lives in the fight for women's voices to be heard.
10 th Nov	11th Exec Meeting; 11th to 13th Maggie speaker at Mother's Union Conference On this day in 1969, National Education Television in the USA debuted <i>Sesame Street</i> . Let's pray for the education of children around the world – academic learning like literacy and mathematics, but also compassion, conflict resolution, and communication skills.
17 th Nov	On this day in 1989, the Velvet Revolution began in Czechoslovakia. It was a non-violent student-led demonstration which led to end of over four decades of one-party rule. Let's pray today for activists, demonstrators, and protestors, that social justice and political change will be enacted without violence, and peaceful reform will be carried out wherever needed.
24 th Nov	On this day in 1877, Anne Sewell's novel <i>Black Beauty</i> was published. Let's pray today for animal welfare, and the continuous fight against animal cruelty. Let's pray for an increase in compassion for animals, and a recognition of their dignity as members of God's good creation.

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