

Prayer Diary January to March 2018

January

6th January

Pray for the various meetings taking place at Methodist Church house this week: Easter Offering Task Group (Tuesday 9th) to begin planning the service for 2019; MWiB Executive (Wednesday 10th); interviews for a new Finance Officer (Thursday 11th).

13th January

In the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (18th–25th January) we pray for all those using the CTBI resources from Barbados. We also pray for those in the Caribbean who are still suffering loss after the recent hurricanes.

20th January

Remember those who will attend the *All We Can* Conference in London today, and for all those who seek to help some of the most vulnerable people in the world reach their full potential. We also pray for the members of the Methodist Council meeting at High Leigh 24th–25th January, that God will guide their discussions and decision-making on behalf of the Methodist people.

27th January

We pray for the women gathering for the South East Asia Seminar in Myanmar from 30th January–5th February, and for Alison Judd as she travels to join them. As we mark Homelessness Sunday on 28th January we think of those who have no place to call home, and all those both here and around the world who seek to help them.

*What a privilege to carry
everything to God in prayer*

February

3rd February

On World Cancer Day (4th February) pray for all those affected by this disease—for those who are living with cancer and their families, as well as those who have lost loved ones to the illness. We also give thanks for all those who seek to care for people with cancer both in the NHS and in the voluntary sector.

10th February

Remember Carolyn Lawrence and Rachel Allison as they travel to South Africa (14th– 22nd February) to visit Jane Day (Mission Partner) and find out about the 'Magnify' women's leadership course as well as learn about the issues faced by our sisters in that country.

17th February

Pray for the MWiB forum meeting in Leeds this weekend, especially as interviews are held for a new Connexional MWiB Vice President. Remember those forum reps who are new to the task, and those who are coming to the end of their period of service with mixed feelings.

24th February

At the beginning of Fairtrade Fortnight (26th February) we pray that all of us will use our buying power to achieve justice for those who produce our food, and seek to shop ethically in all our spending. We pray for those taking part in Women's World Day of Prayer services on 2nd March and the women of Suriname who have produced the resources.

*Answer me when I call to you,
my righteous God.
Give me relief from my distress;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.*

Psalm 4 v 1

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British Unit of the
World Federation of
Methodist and Uniting
Church Women



March

3rd March

Pray for the One Mission Forum as they meet today in Coventry, that they may seek ways of uniting in mission and outreach to our communities both in this nation and across the world.

10th March

As we celebrate Mothering Sunday tomorrow we remember all those for whom this is a difficult day, as well as those for whom it is a celebration of family love.

17th March

Pray for the MWiB Executive – Sandra Goodwin, Anne Browse, Jude Simms, Gillian Womersley and Carolyn Lawrence, as well as Lynn Ling their notetaker – as they meet to discuss business 20th–21st March. On World Water Day (22nd March) we pray for all those without access to clean water, and give thanks for those who work to improve the everyday lives of others.

24th March

In this Holy Week we pray for all those who are facing struggles in their lives and who face issues of loss, illness, separation and bereavement, giving thanks for Jesus who gave his life for us all and walks with us in all our difficulties.

31st March

As we celebrate the joy of Easter Sunday we give thanks to God for all the people, experiences, and material blessings that we enjoy day by day and so often take for granted. Pray for our sisters and brothers around the world who are not able to worship in freedom that they will know God's joy, peace and strength in their hearts on this special day.



Praying for Forum Reps and Methodist Women in Ireland

Day 1

President Sandra Goodwin
Vice President Anne Browse

Day 2

London District Rep Patsy Constantine
Dublin District (Ireland)
MWI President *vacancy*
World Fed Rep *vacancy*
[Pray that these vacancies may soon be filled]

Day 3

South East District Rep Credwyn Tolhurst
Finance Officer Gillian Womersley

Day 4

Beds, Essex & Herts District Rep Jenny Broadbridge
Midlands & Southern District (Ireland)
MWI President Gillian Kingston
World Fed Rep Elsie McDonnell

Day 5

Birmingham District Rep Diana Bosman
Helen Kim Scholar (Britain) Rachel Allison

Day 6

Bolton & Rochdale District Rep Anne Cash

Day 7

Bristol District Rep Carolyn Buley
Lakelands District (Ireland)
MWI President Ruth Morrow
World Fed Rep Marion Henderson

Day 8

Synod Cymru Rep Margaret Morgan
Wales Synod Rep Ronnie Dean

Day 9

Cumbria District Rep Margaret Newrick

Day 10

Channel Islands Rep Pam Gidney
North West District (Ireland)
MWI President Anne Fallows
World Fed Rep Rachel Fallows

Day 11

Chester & Stoke District Rep Chris Thompson

Day 12

Cornwall District Rep Adrienne Simpson

Day 13

Darlington District Rep Win Aston
North East District (Ireland)
MWI President Sally Rock
World Fed Rep Joan Russell

Day 14

East Anglia District Rep Ruth Arnold
Women's World Day of Prayer Rep Irene Hayes

Day 15

Isle of Man District Rep Lesley Bridson
Belfast District (Ireland)
MWI President Brenda-Anne Duncan
World Fed Rep Violet Craig

Day 16

Your local MWiB officers, activities, and projects

Day 17

Lincolnshire District Rep Rita Rowe

Day 18

Liverpool District Rep Janet Walton

Day 19

Manchester & Stockport District Rep Angela Doyle

Day 20

Newcastle-upon-Tyne District Rep Judy Tasker

Day 21

Lancashire District Rep Wendy Bridgeman
Down District (Ireland)
MWI President *vacancy*
[Pray that the vacancy may soon be filled]
World Fed Rep Liz Russell

Day 22

Nottingham and Derby District Rep Sue Palmer
Communications Officer Jude Simms

Day 23

Northamptonshire District Rep Nina Rawlins

Day 24

Plymouth & Exeter District Rep Deborah Kirk
Helen Kim Scholar (Ireland) Wanda Hogan

Day 25

Sheffield District Rep Ann Taylor
Portadown District (Ireland)
MWI President Dorothy Harrison
World Fed Rep Helen Moorehead

Day 26

Southampton District Rep Hilary Evans
WFM&UCW World President Alison Judd

Day 27

Yorkshire West District Rep Glenys Vere

Day 28

Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury District Rep Joan Wickett

Day 29

Yorkshire North & East District Rep Elaine Turner

Day 30

Scotland District Rep Barbara Harrison
Shetland District Rep Sylvia White

Day 31

World Fed Area President Louise Wilson
World Fed Area Vice President Carolyn Lawrence