



Methodist Women  
in Britain

## Prayer Diary December 2019 to February 2020

### December

#### 7th December

As we mark International Human Rights day on December 10th we pray for those who are denied their basic rights, and particularly remember those who fall prey to human trafficking. We pray for those who seek to bring equality, justice and dignity to all who suffer.

#### 14th December

Today as we observe World Energy Conservation Day we thank God for the wonderful creation around us and pray that we will all seek to take care of this fragile planet and be good stewards of the earth's resources.

#### 21st December

We remember in prayer all those who are far from home this Christmas, including our Mission Partners and those who are serving overseas in the military. We also pray for all those who are missing a loved one this Christmas through separation or because of a death in the family.

#### 28th December

As another year draws to a close, we give thanks for God's sustaining presence despite the uncertainties in our nation, and pray for God's help and guidance for the year ahead.

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

### January

#### 4th January

Remember the Methodist Women in Britain executive, Hilary Evans, Sandra Goodwin, Jude Simms, Nina Rawlins, Carolyn Lawrence, and note-taker Elaine Banks, as they meet on 7th–8th January, and as interviews are held for a new World Federation Area Officer on 7th.

#### 11th January

As Open Doors launch their annual 'World Watch List' in parliament on 15th, we pray for our sisters and brothers who are persecuted throughout the world, especially in the places that are most dangerous to be a Christian, such as North Korea, Afghanistan and Somalia. ([www.opendoorsuk.org](http://www.opendoorsuk.org))

#### 18th January

During the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (18th–25th) we pray for unity with Christians from other traditions, and pray that we will learn from each other and be united in our mission to share the love of Jesus in the world.

#### 25th January

As the Methodist Council meet on 28th–30th we pray that all their discussions and decision-making will be guided by the Holy Spirit.

*"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work in us, be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever!"*  
(Ephesians 3:20-21)

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



### February

#### 1st February

We pray for the World Officers of the WFMUCW – Alison Judd, Matilda Johnson, Leu Pepulu and Mataiva Roberston – particularly as they work hard to prepare for the 14th World Assembly in Gothenburg in 2021.

#### 8th February

We give thanks to God for the work of All We Can, and pray that all those who work and volunteer for them here and overseas will know God's strength and guidance as they seek to bring help and hope to some of the world's most disadvantaged people.

#### 15th February

We pray for the work of Methodist Homes. We pray that the charity will stay close to its Methodist Heritage, and that those who live and work there will know God's presence with them day by day.

#### 22nd February

We pray for the Methodist Women in Britain Forum, meeting on 21st–23rd, and ask that God will guide their discussions and decision-making. We especially pray for the interviews for a new MWIB Vice President/President for 2020.

#### 29th February

During Fair Trade fortnight (24th Feb–8th March) we pray:  
~ for all those who seek to bring justice in the retail world.  
~ that each of us will shop ethically and seek to ensure that our purchases never bring harm to another person.  
~ that we will all learn to be content with less so that we are enabled to be generous to those in need.



## Praying for Forum Reps and Methodist Women in Ireland

*\* Methodist Women in Ireland has recently restructured in line with the Methodist Church in Ireland. MWI now has an All-Ireland President, with three Vice Presidents representing the three new Districts. A World Federation Rep is currently being sought for each District. Please pray for MWI as they settle in to a new way of doing things. \**

### Day 1

President Hilary Evans  
Vice President Sandra Goodwin

### Day 2

London District Rep Caroline Ogunsola  
Helen Kim Scholar (Britain) Rachel Allison

### Day 3

South East District Rep Credwyn Tolhurst

### Day 4

Beds, Essex & Herts District Rep Linda King

### Day 5

Birmingham District Rep Diana Bosman  
Methodist Women in Ireland:  
All Ireland President Joan Strong

### Day 6

Bolton & Rochdale District Rep Philippa Hill

### Day 7

Bristol District Rep Margaret Johnston

### Day 8

Synod Cymru Rep Margaret Morgan  
Wales Synod Rep Susan Murrell

### Day 9

Cumbria District Rep Judith James

### Day 10

Channel Islands Rep Pam Gidney  
Southern District (Ireland):  
MWI Vice President Wanda Hogan  
World Federation Rep Name tbc

### Day 11

Chester & Stoke District Rep Chris Thompson

### Day 12

Cornwall District Rep Adrienne Simpson

### Day 13

Darlington District Rep Win Aston

### Day 14

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

### Day 15

Isle of Man District Rep Sue Collier  
North Eastern District (Ireland):  
MWI Vice President Audrey Burrows  
World Federation Rep Name tbc

### Day 16

Your local officers, activities, and projects

### Day 17

Lincolnshire District Rep Bronwen Braisdell

### Day 18

Liverpool District Rep Elaine Phillips  
World Federation—Ireland Unit Correspondent Phyllis Watters

### Day 19

Manchester & Stockport District Rep Jo Richards

### Day 20

Newcastle-upon-Tyne District Rep Judy Tasker

### Day 21

Lancashire District Rep Wendy Bridgeman  
North Western District (Ireland):  
MWI Vice President Olive Rowe  
World Federation Rep Name tbc

### Day 22

Nottingham and Derby District Rep Sue Nickson

### Day 23

Northamptonshire District Rep Mary Gill  
Finance Officer Nina Rawlins

### Day 24

Plymouth & Exeter District Rep Elaine Banks  
Helen Kim Scholar (Ireland) Wanda Hogan

### Day 25

Sheffield District Rep Ann Baldock  
Communications Officer Jude Simms

### Day 26

Southampton District Rep Liz Chick  
WFM&UCW World President Alison Judd

### Day 27

Yorkshire West District Rep Janet Thompson

### Day 28

Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury District Rep Joan Wickett

### Day 29

Yorkshire North & East District Rep Denise Creed

### Day 30

Scotland District Rep Barbara Harrison  
Shetland District Rep Sylvia White

### Day 30 / 31

World Fed Area President Louise Wilson  
World Fed Area V/President Carolyn Lawrence