

1 <sup>st</sup> March	<b>6<sup>th</sup> – World Day of Prayer; 7<sup>th</sup> Daffodil Day - Olive; 4<sup>th</sup> Policies &amp; Procedures Task Group</b> On this day in 1962, Uganda became self-governing and held its first elections. Let's pray for countries under or recovering from colonial rule, and give thanks for all those who worked and work for justice and freedom.
8 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Exec meeting; 10<sup>th</sup> Finance Task Group</b> On this day in 1910, Raymonde de Laroche became the first woman to receive a pilot's license. Let's give thanks for all those who paved the way for women to have independence and choice, and let's pray for those places where women are still subjugated and controlled.
15 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>15<sup>th</sup> – Mothering Sunday; 16<sup>th</sup> – Lincolnshire District – Olive</b> On this day in 2019, 51 people were killed in the Christchurch Mosque Shootings, leading to the United Nations naming it the International Day to Combat Islamophobia. Let's pray today for Muslims across the world who are unjustly targeted, & all who suffer under extremist regimes.
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	<b>24<sup>th</sup> – Swanwick Task Group; 26<sup>th</sup> Webinar – Social Justice; 27<sup>th</sup> – Yorkshire NE District – Olive</b> On this day in 1873, slavery was abolished in Puerto Rico. Let's pray for the people around the world who are enslaved, and we pray also for all those with power to help.
29 <sup>th</sup> March	On this Palm Sunday & Holy Week, let's pray for people who proclaim Christ with their mouths but don't believe in their hearts. Let's pray that the Holy Spirit will work in them to bring them into a fresh love of Him, especially those people who have known Him but fallen away.
5 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Easter Sunday; 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> – Swanwick Conference – Keynote speaker Carolyn Godfrey</b> He is risen! Let's pray this Easter Sunday for people who face or live with death – soldiers, medics, carers, and people living in places of conflict. Let's pray that they will become deeply aware of the resurrection and the life, who is Christ, and have hope of new life.
12 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>14<sup>th</sup> – Epworth Old Rectory Trustees meeting</b> On this day in 1955, the polio vaccine was declared safe and effective. Let's give thanks for all the medical advancements that have come over the years, and for all the people who are working for better quality of life for people around the world. Let's also pray specifically for people who are suffering from preventable ailments, that relief will come to them.
19 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>20<sup>th</sup> Exec Meeting; 25<sup>th</sup> – SW Peninsular District Day</b> On this day in 2021, the <i>Ingenuity</i> became the first helicopter to achieve flight on another planet. Let's give thanks for scientists and innovators around the world, and pray especially for those minds that are motivated by compassion or justice.
26 <sup>th</sup> April	On this day in 1994, South Africa began its first multiracial election, which was later won by Nelson Mandela. Let's praise God for the amazing progress made over the last few hundred years to a world of equality, equity, and justice, and let's pray for all those people around the world who are subjected to racial inequality and bigotry.
3 <sup>rd</sup> May	On this day, the Great Fire of 1901 broke out in Jacksonville, Florida. Let's pray for all those people worldwide who are impacted by natural disasters, whether by poverty, crop failure, displacement, or injury. Let's also pray for the relief efforts, and for government assistance.
10 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>11<sup>th</sup> Exec meeting with Trustees &amp; Ambassadors; 12<sup>th</sup> -13<sup>th</sup> – Cornwall District Days</b> Today in 1824, the National Gallery opened in London. Let's pray for artists around the world & give thanks for artistic expression. Let's pray that Christian artists can share the gospel through their art.
17 <sup>th</sup> May	On this day in 1994, Malawi held its first multi-party elections. Let's pray today for people living under dictatorships or oppressive regimes. Let's also pray for governments across the world to be enabled to serve and benefit their people, especially those on the margins.
24 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Pentecost Sunday; 28<sup>th</sup> Webinar – Immigration</b> Today is both Pentecost and Aldersgate Day. Let's give thanks for the coming of the Spirit, both to the disciples in the upper room, and to John Wesley in 1738. Let's praise God that He dwells within us and enables us to live full, enriched, Christ-centred lives. Let's pray for all those people who don't have the Holy Spirit, that they will experience the resurrection life of Jesus.
31 <sup>st</sup> May	On this day in 1911, the <i>RMS Titanic</i> was launched in Belfast, only to sink a year later on its maiden voyage. Let's pray today for people who are traveling long distances to an uncertain destination, especially for refugees and other displaced or homeless people who don't know if they will survive the journey, or be received if they arrive.

## Prayer Diary

March to May 2026

*Join us in praying for Methodist Women in Britain Officers, Trustees & Ambassadors, Methodist Women in Ireland and the World Federation of Methodist & Uniting Church Women 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.*

<b>Day 1</b>	Methodist Women in Britain Cochairs: Leonora Wassell & Olive Ruzvidzo
<b>Day 2</b>	Helen Kim Scholars Britain & Ireland: Madeleine Reed & Heidi Hogan
<b>Day 3</b>	WFM&UCW World President: Sipiwe Chisvo & WFM&UCW President Emerita: Alison Judd
<b>Day 4</b>	London, Beds, Essex & Herts and South East MWiB Area Trustee: Annah Mwadiwa
<b>Day 5</b>	Wolverhampton & Shrewsbury, Birmingham, Mid Wales MWiB Area Trustee: Jenny Parnell
<b>Day 6</b>	Bolton & Rochdale and Lancashire MWiB Area Trustee: Philippa Hill
<b>Day 7</b>	Methodist Women in Ireland All Ireland President: Alexa Brown
<b>Day 8</b>	Bristol and South Wales MWiB Area Trustee: Gillian Pengelly
<b>Day 9</b>	MWiB Ambassadors: Helen Cornick, Cynthia Bonds, Ruth Dawson, Margaret Dunn, Priscilla Samasuwo
<b>Day 10</b>	World Federation of Methodist & Uniting Church Women
<b>Day 11</b>	Liverpool, Chester & Stoke, North Wales, Manchester & Stockport MWiB Area Trustee: Chris Thompson
<b>Day 12</b>	Methodist Women in Britain Communications Officer: Bronwen Braisdell
<b>Day 13</b>	Darlington, Newcastle and Cumbria MWiB Area Trustee: Debs Coggrave
<b>Day 14</b>	World Day of Prayer Representative: Charity Madenyika & MWiB Empowerment Gifts Sylvia White
<b>Day 15</b>	Methodist Women in Britain Resources Officer: Caroline Fillery
<b>Day 16</b>	Methodist Women in Ireland and Manx Methodist Women
<b>Day 17</b>	Lincolnshire and East Anglia MWiB Area Trustee: Rita Rowe
<b>Day 18</b>	Cornwall and Plymouth & Exeter MWiB Area
<b>Day 19</b>	Methodist Women in Britain Digital Media Coordinator: Ruth Dawson
<b>Day 20</b>	WFM&UCW Area President & Vice President: Barbara Easton & Wanda Hogan
<b>Day 21</b>	MWiB Ambassadors: Elizabeth Colley, Jacky Woor, Hazel Jackson, Susan Eldridge, Gillian Womersley, Sue Smith
<b>Day 22</b>	Methodist Women in Britain Finance Officer: Sheila Hall
<b>Day 23</b>	Notts & Derby and Northampton MWiB Area Trustee: Menesia Chikazi
<b>Day 24</b>	MWiB Ambassadors: Diana Bosman, Linda King, Maggie Woods, Nina Rawlins, Alison Richardson, Pam Gidney
<b>Day 25</b>	MWiB Ambassadors: Ann Taylor, Janet Thompson, Margaret Johnson, Brenda Stuart-White, Di Smart
<b>Day 26</b>	Southampton and Channel Islands MWiB Area Trustee: Liz Chick
<b>Day 27</b>	MWiB Ambassadors: Judith Oldroyd, Delphine Gratrix, Pamela Stenson, Becca Wakelin
<b>Day 28</b>	MWiB Ambassadors: Gwenda Humphries, Susan Murrell, Naledi Phaladi, Viv Lowe, Sue Nickson, Alison Judd
<b>Day 29</b>	Yorkshire West, Yorkshire North & East and Sheffield MWiB Area Trustee: Janice Clark
<b>Day 30</b>	Scotland and Shetland MWiB Area Trustee: Barbara Harrison
<b>Day 31</b>	Your local officers, activities & projects; Our incoming Trustees Izzy Salmon & Helen Cunningham

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

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