

- The INSPIRE team with their various gifts and talents, weaknesses and limits, that we all will grow in grace and love.
- Plans to develop a community choir alongside the INSPIRE Ukulele Club; for a leader of this new venture and guidance in all things as we seek to bring people together, address loneliness, create community, and share the Gospel of God's love to all.

Southampton District link with Zambia -PH Day 26

Give thanks for:

- 62 years of independence.

- The growth of the UCZ and for the new Lusaka East Presbytery and Bishop Harriet Kapeya.
- Please pray for:
- Justice and reconciliation and for the new government and National Assembly.
 - The Southern Province, facing a major drought this year, that they have access to the right kind of drought resistant seeds such as sorghum and millet.

Fiona Kendall - Italy - PH Day 29

Matthew Laferty, Methodist Ecumenical
Office Director, **Italy - PH Day 29**

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Methodists in
World Mission

An update to the Prayer Handbook supporting our mission partners, district twinning and global connections

Please use with the Prayer Handbook (PH) – the days are highlighted - and copy/ forward to to others for wider circulation and in church newsletters.

Both paper and electronic copies are available as well as further information in prayer letters and on the Global Relationships pages on the Methodist Church in Britain (MCB) website [Mission Partners - The Methodist Church](#). Contact the Global Relationships team or MWM if you need support to access further information. For the current Global Relationships e-news and updates on the use of the World Mission Fund by our partners see www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/global-relationships

Pray for the Global Relationships Team:

Andy Dye: Director of Global Relationships

Rebecca Boardman: Deputy Director of Global Relationships

Vicky Royle: Programmes Delivery Officer

Barry Sloan: Partnership Coordinator for Europe

Andrew Ashdown: Partnership Coordinator for Africa.

Sandra Lopez: Partnership Coordinator for Latin America and the Caribbean

Sheila Norris: Partnership Coordinator for Asia and the Pacific

And with a focus in Britain, **Nigel Cowgill:** Global Communities Officer

Stella Townson: Hong Kong Communities Support Officer

Trudi Awuku: World Mission Fund Officer

Simon Bennett & Natalie Hastings: Administrators

We continue to pray for all our partner churches across the world, and for all who have experienced distress, sadness and loss from Climate change, natural disasters, war and violence, or other events around our world. This affirms our precious gift of prayer that we offer to each other both near and far.

For further news see: [People in Mission: Mission Partners, Nationals in Mission, Volunteers and the GR team - The Methodist Church](#)

AUTUMN WEBINAR: Wednesday 18th November 7:30—8:30pm

Introducing our theme for the conference (below), and a chance to learn more about fellowship groups. See flyer for more information. To request the zoom link, email methodistsinworldmission@gmail.com

MWM Annual Global Mission Conference 2027

NOTE the change of date: 30th April - 2nd May 2027

at Cliff College, Calver, Hope Valley, Sheffield S32 3XG

'World Mission in a Global Britain:

United in Diversity, Strong in Fellowship'.

We particularly invite members of fellowship groups from across the Connexion. See mwm.org.uk for more information including special day rates.

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Prayer requests for Winter 2027 should reach Maggie by Jan 5th 2027 via email to methodistsinworldmission@gmail.com



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Prayer requests from Mission Partners, Ministers overseas and District twinings

We pray for all whether or not they have sent in specific prayer request. Please use the Prayer Handbook for details.

A Prayer from Nigel Cowgill, Global Communities Officer:

Creator God, we hold before you the Ministry of the Language Fellowship and Diverse Congregations across the church, giving thanks for the churches who support and embrace them. May we see you in the sorrows and joys. May the story of your good news flow out of all our conversations. Give us space for us to regrow so we can have renewed grace in the space we share together as a Global Church. Amen .

West Midlands District PH Day 3

Please continue to pray for their partnership with the Free Methodist Church in Rwanda and their links with the Methodist Church Zimbabwe.

Annekatherin and Matthias Buchold - South Africa - PH Day 6

We have a huge prayer request for South Africa. Gender based violence is a big topic. Sadly, the numbers and incidents in South Africa are extremely high. The church and the whole society has a lot of campaigns for awareness and to stop this. Just recently, there were 9 murders of women in our District in only 3 months.

We pray for:

- The church and society.
- All women for protection.
- All men for care and courage, wisdom and love in all relationships.
- Government and the Police in all Investigation.
- Social Justice.

Zimbabwe - PH Day 7

A prayer from the Methodist Church Zimbabwe Fellowship - UK: (MCZF-UK)

We pray for:

- God's favour to be upon all members of the Fellowship so that people will experience God's glory
- God to torch and transform the situations of people who have moved

into the United Kingdom and are facing challenges.

- God to use all Fellowships in the United Kingdom to become channels of God's grace in communities they serve.

Keith and Ida Waddell - Zambia PH Day 7

We thank God for:

- the support for Mwandi Mission; the provision of the truck, the improvement in hospital and school infrastructure, the baby clothes, the education support, the purchase of medicines, the provision transport and treatment for referred patients and help for the knock on the door.

We praise God for the Mental Health Awareness Bonfire drawing together young people from across Mwandi District, breaking stigma and building a community where everyone knows that mental health matters.

Please pray for the continuing positive relationships between all the Mission ministries: for unity, trust and a shared understanding of the values and commitment by all mission staff in their work.

Melissa Newall - Ecuador PH day 10

Sarah Lowe – Guyana PH Day 11

South West Peninsula District link with the Diocese of Cuttack, Odisha, Church of North India PH Day 12

We give thanks for the successful visit of the team from the Orissa Theological College, enabling people to learn about the partnership, and to hear about the joys and challenges of mission, ministry and vocational training for our friends in Cuttack. We give especial thanks for their contribution to MWM's annual conference in May.

Please continue to pray for our partners in the Diocese of Cuttack.

David Hardman Methodist Liaison Office - Israel/Palestine - PH Day 15

Isle of Man District twinned with Sierra Leone - PH day 15

Eden Fletcher - Hong Kong PH Day 19

Northampton District twinned with the Presbyterian Church in Cameroon PH Day 23

Please give thanks:

- That the Northampton twinning continues to grow and be strengthened by our sharing in worship, friendship and our Christian faith journey together.
- For the privilege of our District Cameroon Women's Fellowship hosting the visit of the President and Secretary of the Women's Work Department on behalf of the Presbyterian Church in Cameroon. The visit has been a blessing to us, especially as she wants to be part of the strengthening between our two denominations.

Please pray:

- For Deacon Sylvia Kempson and the Rev'ds Daniel and Grace Pratt Morris-Chapman as, together, they minister to the various branches of the Cameroon Community across the district.
- For Rev'd Dr Amos Chewachong who, based in Scotland, leads the UK, Europe and Gulf States Diaspora.

- That justice, peace and reconciliation will come to the people of Cameroon who are still in the grip of a Civil War.

North West England District - PH Day 24

- Greater Manchester Plus Mission Area link with PHAKAMISA. phakamisa.org

We pray for:

- All the projects and those they support as they seek to offer a hand 'up' not a hand 'out'.
- Their financial situation and future sustainability.
- The staff and caregivers and for their own health and wellbeing.

Cumbria Mission Area Link with Argentina:

In August 2026, the Methodist Church in Argentina (IEMA) held its 29th General Assembly.

We give thanks for:

- 190 years of witness, mission and service of Methodists in Argentina.
- The appointment of the new bishop - for the second time, a woman, Bishop Mariel Pons. Pray that she may be given discernment and strength as she works with others to lead the witness and mission of IEMA during these challenging times.

As the Assembly remembered the solemn commemoration of the Dictatorship (1976-1983) we remember those, inside and outside the church, affected by the Dictatorship - the disappeared, tortured and forced exiles, that their stories might be heard.

Barry and Gillian Sloan - Germany - PH Day 25

Please pray for:

- Germany in the light of the far right political party making massive gains in recent state elections, and the work of INSPIRE in its roll to build bridges between strangers and friends.