

earthquake, the assassination of the president, the kidnappings by gangs, the increase in cases of Covid-19 and its continued economic and political troubles.

- Our churches in the UK tentatively seeking new ways of reaching out to the local communities.

Wendy Kilworth-Mason at Wesley House

It is my prayer that we will be challenged, informed and equipped by our time and here and then enabled, by God's grace, to travel to my new appointment when the world situation permits.

For the current Global Relationships e-news : <https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-work/our-work-worldwide/global-relationships/world-church-relationships-news-archive-and-blog/global-relationships-e-newsletter/>

For news items and updates on the use of the World Mission Fund by partners: <https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-work/our-work-worldwide/global-relationships/global-relationships-news/>

Prayer and Care

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Methodists for World Mission

An update to the Prayer Handbook supporting our mission partners working across the world and in Britain

Please use with the Prayer Handbook (PH) – the days are highlighted - and copy 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 website <https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-work/our-work-worldwide/global-relationships/people-in-mission/mission-partners/>
Contact the Global Relationships team or MWM if you need support to access further information.

We continue to pray for all who have experienced distress, sadness and loss.

The impact of COVID-19 and climate disasters have added further challenges and distress to severely disadvantaged communities and this affirms our precious gift of prayer that we offer to each other both near and far.

Pray for the Global Relationships Team:

Conrad Hicks: Director

Andy Dye: Programme Team Leader

Barry Sloan: Partnership Coordinator for Europe

For Partnership Coordinator for Africa—please contact the Director

Sandra Lopez: Partnership Coordinator for Latin America and the Caribbean

Sheila Norris: Acting Partnership Coordinator for Asia and the Pacific

Simon Bennett: Administrator; **Natalie Hastings:** Administrator

Liddy Buswell: Global Church Youth Rep

Pray for World Church Partners working in the U.K. - all who leave their homes to share in the mission and ministry of the church here in Britain. For news on incoming partners see: <https://www.methodist.org.uk/our-work/our-work-worldwide/global-relationships/people-in-mission/people-2-people-programmes/>

MWM Conferences 2022

Save the date: 9th—11th December 2022

VENUE:The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick.

Justice, Peace and Reconciliation

with particular reference to Israel and Palestine

Keynote speakers:

Deacon Angleena Keizer, Mission Partner, Israel/Palestine

Rev'd Dr Nadim Nassar, Executive Director, The Awareness Foundation

AGM and online conference: 18th June 2022 9am-1pm

Details to follow.

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See the back page for details

Mission Partners Prayer Concerns and Requests

Lord Jesus you sent your disciples into all the world to baptise and proclaim your Kingdom. Bless all who leave their home to share your love in distant places and guide them day by day in their service of you. Amen

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

Rachel and Sylvester Deigh – Sierra Leone – PH Day 2

We pray for Rachel and Sylvester as they settle into their new appointments and new home, having begun a new stage in their commitment to ministry and mission to Christ's worldwide church.

Michael and Joanna Tettey and family – Benin/Togo – PH Day 3

We give thanks for

- Keeping us safe and healthy as we serve in mission
- The work of EMT's Health department, which has started to take shape
- Our extended family and friends who are safe and healthy
- The success of the girls at school
- The support of our supervisor in the Global Relationships team.

We pray for

- Our family, friends and ourselves to remain healthy and safe
- A sustainable and effective strategy of the Health department
- Thoroughness in completing our tasks (both adults and children)
- God to open opportunities as we prepare for change and the courage for us to act at the opportune time.
- God to continue each day to give wisdom, strength, patience. vigour

- Wisdom for concerns in the church in Togo as government COVID guidance has recently instructed churches to inspect vaccine certificates and PCR covid test results, before congregants are allowed to attend church services.

Hans & Mary Van Den Corput, Marcel & Maurice – Nigeria – PH Day 5

Annekatherin and Matthias Buchold - South Africa - PH Day 6

We pray for Annkatherin and Matthias, about to begin their placement as joint Mission Partners with United Methodist Church Germany.

Jonathan & Isabel Hill – Zimbabwe – PH Day 7

We give thanks that schools reopened at the end of August after lockdown.

We pray for:

- Thekwane, catching up and preparing students for their examinations with no half-term break and teachers stressed. Online learning limited for many students unable to benefit. Pressure of O and A-level examinations plus coursework, still being finished.
- Rains needed to refresh fields, gardens, fill our storage dams, without severe destructive weather such as flooding and storms.
- Help and comfort to those affected people being struck by lightning and buildings having their roofs blown off.
- The government of Zimbabwe at all

levels and for all in authority to carry out their duties without resorting to corrupt practices.

- The programme, where Isabel gives support, including teenage pregnancies and youth drug abuse
- The COVID new cases rate having shot up to over 1000 at the beginning of December from 30 previously.
- People to be vigilant with many trying to come home through the borders from South Africa and at Plumtree. Matabeleland South and Bulawayo are most at risk.
- Church attendance and SS and Jonathon's weekly digital support for worship severely affected by unreliable.

Keith & Ida Waddell - Zambia - PH Day 7

We give thanks on their return to Britain, for the valuable gifts of ministry and mission Keith and Ida have shared with the church in Zambia and gratitude for their vaccination protection.

We pray for them, now on deputation travelling around Scotland and the rest of the UK, that they will travel safely and have a good times of fellowship with their supporting Churches.

That they will also enjoy times of refreshment and meet up with family over Christmas and New Year.

Gina Oliver - Zambia - PH Day 7

We pray for Gina, as she begins her placement in Zambia.

Claire Smithson - Kenya - PH Day 8

Melissa Newell - Ecuador—PH Day 10

We pray for Melissa, as she begins her placement in Ecuador

Angleena Keizer - Israel/Palestine - PH Day 15

Eden Fletcher - Hong Kong - PH Day 20

Sheila Norris - Japan - PH Day 21

Barry and Gillian Sloan – Germany – PH Day 26

Ray Borg - France – Day 27

We pray for Ray, about to begin his placement in France.

Mathew Lafferty - Italy - PH Day 29

Daniel and Grace Pratt Morris-Chapman, Kwame, John, Anna and Catherine – Italy – PH Day 29

Fiona Kendall - Italy - PH Day 29

We pray for

- The debate on migration to be characterised by balance and facts, rather than hysteria and misinformation.
- Increased places on safe and legal routes to be made available to asylum seekers of all nations.
- Communities to be empowered to welcome, host and learn from those who seek asylum.
- All to see beyond statistics and, instead, value every individual who is on the move.

Mission Partners in Transit - PH Day 31

Sharon and John Harbottle

We pray for

- Sharon and John as they discern the way forward and as they await John's test results, thanking God for the treatment thus far.
- Haiti in the aftermath of the