

30 th August	Safe travelling for all returning home from WFMUCW World Assembly & newly appointed Officers On this day in 1797, Mary Shelley was born. Let's give thanks to women writers and artists who forged the way for other women in the arts, and for our foremothers who fought for rights and privileges which were already offered to men to be extended to women.
6 th Sept	On this day in 1968, Swaziland, now Eswatini, became independent. Let's pray for countries still suffering the ramifications of colonialism, and let's pray and give thanks for those peoples who, being now free, are rebuilding their unique identity.
13 th Sept	14th Trustees & Ambassadors meeting on zoom 16th Philippa in Monton Methodist, Manchester On this day in 1933, Elizabeth McCombs became the first woman elected to the New Zealand Parliament. Let's give thanks today for the progress made towards female representation in politics, and let's continue to pray for equal representation and a safe working environment in politics across the globe.
20 th Sept	On this day in 1973, Billie Jean King won the Battle of the Sexes tennis match at the Houston Astrodome. Let's give thanks today for women in sports and the opening up of traditionally masculine spaces to women. Let's continue to pray for those areas that are still unjustly barred to women.
27 th Sept	On this day in 2007, NASA launched the <i>Dawn</i> probe to the asteroid belt. Let's pray for scientists around the world as they continue to explore and reveal the wonders of God's creation and genius.
4 th Oct	9th-11th Trustee Board meeting, Eastwood Hall, Nottingham As the trustees meet this week, let's pray for the future of MWiB. Let's pray especially for the new Trustee Board, District ambassadors and Finance & Swanwick task groups as they seek to maintain cohesion and vision in a diverse, intergenerational, and transforming context.
11 th Oct	17th World Federation Day, Stapleford Methodist Church, Nottingham Let's pray for the World Federation as we approach its birthday, remembering all the women who have worked hard for this international sisterhood of women promoting Christ and Christ's love.
18 th Oct	On this day in 1929, the Edwards v. Canada case declared women as 'Persons' under Canadian law. Let's pray for women across the world who are not considered people. Let's pray for all those groups who will benefit from MWiB Empowerment Gifts this year, using them to empower women and girls.
25 th Oct	On this day in 1940, Benjamin O. Davies Sr. was named the first African American general in the US army. Let's pray for places where discrimination is still practiced, especially where racism is systemic.
1 st Nov	All Saints Day On this day in 1848 in Boston, USA, the first medical school for women was opened. Let's pray for girls' and women's education worldwide, and for those who have been barred from schools.
8 th Nov	Remembrance Day; 9th Trustees Board meeting on zoom; 11th Olive in Exeter, SW Peninsular On this day in 1901, the Gospel Riots took place in Athens, where there was bloodshed over the translation of the Gospels into demotic Greek, which is the modern standard language of Greece. Let's give thanks for the different translations of Scripture, and let's pray for those who continue to translate it into new languages and dialects to make it accessible to more and more people.
15 th Nov	On this day in 1971, the first ever single-chip microprocessor, the 4004, was released by Intel Corporation in the USA. Let's pray for the technological advancements being made to be safe, helpful, and appropriate.
22 nd Nov	16 Days of Activism start 25th The 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence begin with the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women on the 25 th and will run on to Human Rights Day on 10 th December. Let's pray for women across the globe who suffer violence and abuse. We pray that the Butterfly Service may be used widely across the connexion to spread a message of hope & support.
29 th Nov	Advent Sunday On this day in 1961, a chimpanzee called Enos was launched into space, orbiting the Earth twice before landing off the coast of Puerto Rico. Let's pray today for an end to animal cruelty and abuse, especially those acts which are done in the name of good things like science or medicine.

Prayer Diary

September to November 2026

*Join us in praying for Methodist Women in Britain Trustees & District 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 Districts.
Our prayer diary can be used alongside the Methodist Church Prayer Handbook.*

Day 1	Methodist Women in Britain Chair: Olive Ruzvidzo & Vice Chair: Philippa Hill
Day 2	London District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 3	West Midlands District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 4	Bedfordshire, Essex & Hertfordshire District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 5	South East District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 6	MWiB Trustee Leads: Finance Sheila Hall & Resources and Fundraising Caroline Fillery
Day 7	Bristol District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 8	The Methodist Church in Wales/Cymru District Ambassadors
Day 9	MWiB Trustee Leads: Communications Bronwen Braisdell & Safeguarding Ruth Dawson
Day 10	Channel Islands District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 11	Chester and Stoke on Trent District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 12	South West Peninsular District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 13	Darlington District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 14	East Anglia District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 15	Isle of Man District & Manx Methodist Women
Day 16	Methodist Church in Ireland and Methodist Women in Ireland
Day 17	Lincolnshire District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 18	MWiB Trustee Lead: Governance and Administration Gillian Pengelly
Day 19	MWiB Trustee Leads: Events & People and Volunteering – Vacancies – is God calling you?
Day 20	Newcastle upon Tyne District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 21	WFMUCW (B&I) Area President & Vice President: Wanda Hogan & Helen Cunningham
Day 22	Nottingham and Derby District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 23	Northampton District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 24	North West England District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 25	Sheffield District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 26	Southampton District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 27	Yorkshire West District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 28	Helen Kim Scholars Britain & Ireland: Izzy Solomon & Hope Graham
Day 29	Yorkshire North and East District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 30	Scotland and Shetland District Ambassadors & MWiB activities
Day 31	WFMUCW World President, Vice President (tbc) & President Emerita: Sipiwe Chisvo

What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer

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