

Challenging London in Lent

A six part Lent Course to enable London Methodists (and others) to engage in reflection on some of the most important realities of our day.

Background

At its Autumn meeting in 2015 Synod members were asked to say what they felt were the most pressing issues facing the candidates in the forthcoming 2016 London Mayoral elections. The issues considered to be the most pressing were:

- Community ~ Crime and Integration
- Education and Young People
- Housing
- Environment
- Welfare/Benefits/Poverty
- Health

Resulting from this, the Social Responsibility Commission created a Lent Course based around the various themes. Each session offers:

- worship resources.
- a passage of scripture
- ideas for reflection
- thoughts and background notes
- questions for discussion
- relevant statistics
- feedback form

The material is designed for use in local groups but could also effectively be used as part of a personal programme of Lenten devotion and study. Contributors are:~Michaela Youngson, Rachel Bending, Cathy Bird, David Hardman & Wendy Beard

It is expected that at some point the Chairs of District will be able to meet the Mayoral candidates on behalf of London Methodists to discuss these concerns. They would like to share the experiences of London Methodists at those meetings. To that end, after each section there is an invitation to share and record any stories or specific points which you would like to offer to the Mayoral candidates. Please collate your feedback for each session on the form provided and return it once the course has ended.