

3GENERATE

Methodist Children & Youth Assembly



RESPOND AND TAKE ACTION!

When we tune in to God, the world and each other great things happen! Through reading the Bible, prayer, talking with friends, taking part in a Methodist Way of Life and noticing what is happening in the world around us: God speaks! This is exciting and part of how we all grow as followers of Jesus. What's even better is that God invites us to join in with making a difference in the world and taking action. We want to encourage children and young people to respond and think about how they can take action in various ways.

To help with this, we've created the resource below. It follows similar lines to the conversation starters offered during Group Time at the 3Generate weekend.

TIME TO RESPOND

Choose any of the questions below that best suit the children and young people in your group. Some are more suitable for those already on their faith journey, and some for those getting started. Or ask your own questions to spark conversation...



1. What ideas or thoughts are you having that you would like to respond to?
2. What issues would you like to take action on?
3. Which Methodist Way of Life practice would you like to explore further?
4. What would you like to change in your school, church or community?
5. How are you noticing what God is already doing?
6. What gifts, skills and talents do you have that could be used?

TOP TIPS!



Here are some ideas to help your children and young people to get started:

- Talk to significant adults, such as parents/carers, group leaders and others to see how they can offer help and support.
- Find out what your church is already involved in. How is it helping the community, caring for people nearby or further away? Could you join in with this?
- Talk to leaders in your church and the church council about your ideas and the change you would like to see.
- Find out who else you can take action with. Maybe your friends and neighbours are keen to join in too!

TELL US MORE



Share with your church or others about how your group has been tuning in to God, responding and taking action. Why not find a way to tell others about an issue your group is passionate about. Here are some suggestions...

1. A presentation to your church or church council.
2. A poster displayed in a prominent place for everyone who uses the church building to see.
3. A short video featuring members of your group talking about a particular issue or how they tune in to God, the world and each other.
4. A podcast similar to the above.
5. A prayer or series of prayers to be shared with your church.
6. Other creative ideas your group has!

HELP TELL THE STORY OF 3GENERATE!

It would be great to see and share your posters, videos, podcasts and prayers, or hear any stories of children and young people who have been inspired to make a difference. Please do send them (and any other creative ways of telling people about your response to 3Generate) by email to 3Generate@methodistchurch.org.uk