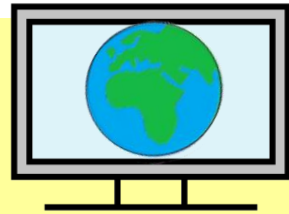


World Television Day



The United Nations have named 21st November, 'World Television Day' in recognition of the huge impact television has raising awareness of economic, political and social issues as well as influencing decision making all over the world.

Did you know that the first television was invented in 1926?

It was known as 'the televisor' and was created by John Logie Baird.



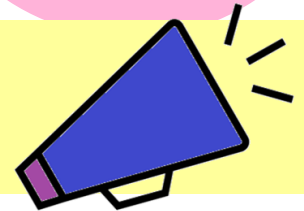
This stained glass window in memory of John Logie Baird can be found in Helensburgh Parish Church in Scotland.



The first television set was made using an old hat box, a pair of scissors, some darning needs, the lenses from bicycle lights, and old tea chest, sealing wax and glue!



Good News!



Isaiah 61 v 1 (NCV)

The Lord God has put his Spirit in me, because the Lord has appointed me to tell the good news to the poor. He has sent me to comfort those whose hearts are broken, to tell the captives they are free, and to tell the prisoners they are released.

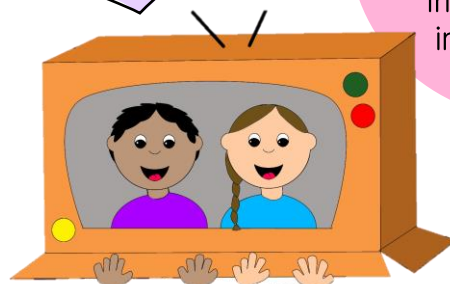
Watch the news together, what is the Good News to celebrate in the world today?

Where might God want you to pray for change in the world?

We describe Jesus' life, death and resurrection as Good News. God sent Jesus to the earth to die on the cross and take the punishment for the sins of the world. How might you share this Good News with others?

What messages do you think the world needs to hear?

Why not film your own good news programme to share with friends, family or in your church?





The way, the truth, the light!

Use the stories and questions on this page to inspire your own prayers for television and the media.

If you were in charge of what was on television for a day what would you share?

Matthew 5 v 16 (NCV)

In the same way, you should be a light for other people. Live so that they will see the good things you do and will praise your Father in heaven.

If people could watch your life on television what would they learn about God?

Media City UK, Manchester 2013

In 2013 we visited Media City UK and prayed for television and media channels across our nation.



What News would Father God broadcast to the world?

Operation Broadcast! London, 2014

In 2014 we had the opportunity to visit BBC Television centre. We asked 'what news would Father God broadcast?' and presented our own Good News reports.



What is Father God saying to you today?



In recent years the media has been accused of sharing 'fake news'. Jesus said that He is the **'way, the truth and the life'** (John 14 v 6) . Why not think about these questions and pray together for an increase in integrity in television and media and pray for those Christians who work in this industry.

Where do we get our truth from?

Television has a huge impact on decision making, education and understanding around the world.

How do we make important decisions in our own lives?

Use the 'decision maker' craft on the next page to inspire some prayers for television around the world.



Media Prayer Craft

To make

- Cut out the decision maker and colour in.
- Fold along the diagonal lines from corner to corner then open out again.
- Fold the corners into the middle of the square.
- Flip over your decision maker and fold the corners in again.
- Fold in half to make a rectangle.
- Place your fingers into the four pockets of the rectangle and open out to make the decision maker.

To use

- Pick a colour, spell out the colour opening opposite sides of the decision maker for each letter of the colour.
- Pick a number, count out the number opening opposite sides of the decision maker as you count.
- Repeat step 2 as many times as you want 😊
- Open the flap of the final chosen number.
- Read the instructions.

