



National Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast 2021

Online

Life Beyond Covid:
A Renewed Hope
Friday 25 June • 8.00-8.45am

Organising a Local Constituency Breakfast

Every year, hundreds of church leaders and their local MPs gather together in Westminster Hall in Parliament for the National Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast. This provides a fantastic opportunity for church leaders and MPs to strengthen relationships.

Due to the ongoing pandemic, it is still not possible for everyone to gather in Westminster Hall this year. However, we want to encourage church leaders to gather together locally, invite their MP to watch the Breakfast with them and spend some time afterwards discussing how they can work together to serve their local communities.

If you're a church leader and would like to organise a local constituency breakfast, please find some suggestions for doing so below.

Timings

The National Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast is being livestreamed on **Friday 25 June 2021 at 8:00-8:45am**. We suggest that a local constituency breakfast begins before this to allow time for people to arrive and for any introductions. We recommend having about 45 minutes of discussion time afterwards, giving attendees enough time to travel home/to their offices if they are joining the webinar programme from 10:00am onwards.

Ideas for discussion

We would like this to be an opportunity for you to discuss ways that your church, and others in your area, have been at work in your community during the pandemic and beyond. It also provides an opportunity to explore ideas of how you can work together with your MP to support people locally and serve the needs of the constituency. It may be helpful to use the following two objectives as a loose structure for discussion:

- How the church is working to serve people locally
- How you can work together in the future to meet community needs

It may also be useful to spend some time reflecting on the address given at this year's Breakfast on the theme of Life Beyond Covid: A Renewed Hope as a springboard for conversation.

Tips for organising a local constituency breakfast

- Double-check that there's not already a constituency breakfast happening in your constituency by checking our list of events here: christiansinparliament.org.uk/prayer-breakfast/constituency-breakfasts/. If there is, get in touch with the organiser so you can join them.
- Make sure you have registered to attend the National Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast 2021 *Online* so that you receive the livestream link. Register at: christiansinparliament.org.uk/prayer-breakfast/attend/
- Choose a room where you can all watch the livestream together on a projector or big screen (bear in mind you will need a good internet connection).
- Think about whether you are going to offer refreshments (e.g. tea, coffee, pastries) and make sure you let those coming know if there will be breakfast there!
- Invite other church leaders in your local area. If there's a Churches Together group, you could use that to help coordinate the event. Bear in mind that your MP's constituency might cover other nearby towns/villages, or there might be more than one MP for your town/city.
- Invite your MP to join you. You can find contact details for your local MP here: members.parliament.uk/FindYourMP/. We recommend giving them as much notice as possible.
- At the event, why not take a photo of you all together and share with others on social media, using the hashtags #NPPB2021 #ARenewedHope
- Make sure you follow any current Covid regulations at the time (for example around the number of people attending, social distancing, use of facemasks etc.). If restrictions are tightened so that it is no longer possible to hold the event in person, you could still arrange a video call.

Registering your local constituency breakfast

To avoid duplication of events and so that other church leaders in your local area can join you, please register your constituency breakfast online at: christiansinparliament.org.uk/prayer-breakfast/constituency-breakfasts/. We will then add it to our list of events and direct other interested church leaders to it.

For further information, please visit christiansinparliament.org.uk/prayer-breakfast/ or email hannah.german@parliament.uk

