

January 2026 Newsflash

I'm sure many reading this will already receive the Daily Meditations from Richard Rohr's Center for Action and Contemplation, but for those who don't I'd particularly recommend his meditations for the last week of Advent (into Christmas itself), on the theme of *Christ in All Things*.

You can find links to the weekly meditations [here](#), but for those who find it difficult to access, I have copied the week's meditations into a Word document/PDF, which I am happy to send on – just email cjp@tssf.org.uk

Beginning with John 1: 1-3 ~ “*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.... All things came to be through him, and without him nothing came to be.*”, it moved through *Christ in Every Thing* to *A Universal Christ*.

Recommended reading as we move into a new calendar year.

The theme for the 2026 *Daily Meditations* is Good News for a Fractured World, you can [sign up here](#)



On 27th November, ten of the UK's leading experts briefed an invited audience of over 1,200 politicians and leaders from business, culture, faith, sport and the media with the latest implications for health, food, national security and the economy.

You can watch the [nine talks here](#), covering Nature; Climate; Energy Transition; Weather Extremes; Food Security; Health; National Security; Economics and Tipping Points.

The National Emergency Briefing is the result of leading experts and concerned citizens joining forces to encourage UK decision-makers to step up their response to the escalating climate and nature crisis. It is supported by a wide range of well-known organisations.

Check out where you can [take action](#).

Our next Quarterly Review is due in February and we welcome news & articles on any aspect of Creation-Justice-Peace. We encourage you to get your thinking caps on and pens (or keyboards) at the ready. Please send contributions to cjp@tssf.org.uk or guywhitehouse@outlook.com by mid January.

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Gracious Dialogue - A Guide to Listening and Speaking Well About Israel and Palestine, is four-week course designed by the Christian charity Embrace the Middle East, to create space for conversation, deepen understanding of the situation in Israel and Palestine, and help people see through another's eyes.

Within our Order there are strong feelings and differing but deeply held theological interpretations which can prevent engaging openly with the complexities of the situation in Israel and Palestine, for fear of generating more heat than light or causing disunity.

This four-week course is here to help.

Designed for churches and small groups, it offers:

- Differing theological interpretations on key scriptural passages from Paul's Letter to the Romans
- History snapshots covering pivotal moments in the conflict
- Discussion points creating space for dialogue from different viewpoints

It won't give all the answers, but it will equip us to create space for conversation to deepen understanding and help people see through another's eyes.

The CJP Steering Group will host a weekly zoom group (starting Monday 19th January, 7.30pm-9pm) using the Gracious Dialogue resource.

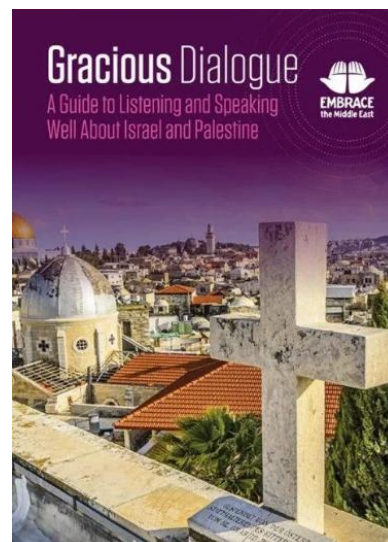
You are invited to a Zoom meeting. When: Jan 19, 2026 07:30 PM London, and every week on Monday, until Feb 9, 2026, 4 occurrences

You need to register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/c1rzoOafSX6WpAXjoZm5NQ>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. If you have difficulty registering or obtaining the booklet, email cjp@tssf.org.uk.

The accompanying booklet is available for £4.99 (booklet or digital download) from: <https://shop.embraceme.org/search/products?keywords=Gracious+Dialogue>



New Year's Day prayer

O Lord,

On this New Year's morning, we rest in gratitude for your presence, dear Lord, and how you guided us through the old year. Thank you for the blessings of loved ones, the joy of Christmas, and the gift of a new day as we step into a new season.

*Strengthen our hearts by your Holy Spirit, renewing us with hope and peace. **Help us reflect on the past with humility and embrace the future with faith**, trusting in your plans for the year ahead. May we carry your light into each moment, sharing your love with those around us.*

In Jesus' name, Amen.