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## **Media Review - February 8 at 10.00 am**

### **UK Newspaper reviews**

#### **BBC News**

Brett hard talk and a photograph of Barack Obama learning to kitesurf is printed on a number of Wednesday's front pages.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/blogs-the-papers-38902468>

### **Sports fan to be Moderator of PCI**

#### **News Letter**

The Presbyterian Church in Ireland has selected Rev Noble McNeely of First Holywood Presbyterian Church to be its next moderator.

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/rev-noble-mcneely-is-next-presbyterian-moderator-1-7811307>

### **Arlene Foster's 'feed the crocodiles' snap could come back to bite her**

Belfast Telegraph

It wasn't just what she said; it was at least as much about the way she said it, Noel McAdam reports

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/opinion/columnists/noel-mcadam/arlene-fosters-feed-the-crocodiles-snap-could-come-back-to-bite-her-35431386.html>



***Irish language activists dressed as crocodiles protest outside the DUP's Nelson McCausland's office on the Ballysillan Road in north Belfast.***

## **Paramilitaries, not police, run parts of Belfast, claims victims' activist McCord**

Belfast Telegraph

[http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/northern-ireland/paramilitaries-not-police-run-parts-of-belfast-claims-victims-activist-mccord-35432464.html?utm\\_source=ipad\\_share&utm\\_medium=ipad\\_app&utm\\_campaign=clickbacks](http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/northern-ireland/paramilitaries-not-police-run-parts-of-belfast-claims-victims-activist-mccord-35432464.html?utm_source=ipad_share&utm_medium=ipad_app&utm_campaign=clickbacks)

## **Arlene Foster's huge mistakes a gift to Sinn Fein - Lord Empey UUP**

News Letter

As the election approaches, it is clear that neither Arlene Foster or the DUP realise the huge mistakes they have made in the last couple of months.

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/reg-empey-arlene-foster-has-gifted-gerry-adams-the-chance-to-re-open-negotiations-1-7811437>

## **Liam Neeson backs new integrated schools campaign**

News Letter

Hollywood star Liam Neeson has backed a new campaign in favour of integrated education, claiming the time has come for all children in Northern Ireland to be educated together.

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/liam-neeson-backs-new-campaign-for-integrated-education-1-7811124>

## **Calls for Great Famine to be remembered with national commemoration day**

The Journal

The day put forward is the second Sunday in May every year.

<http://www.thejournal.ie/great-famine-commemoration-3227984-Feb2017/>

## **Irish government joins Europe in criticising Israel's new settlement law**

The Journal

The EU's foreign policy chief says it "crosses a new and dangerous threshold by legalising under Israeli law the seizure of Palestinian property rights".

<http://www.thejournal.ie/israels-settlement-plans-criticised-ireland-3228179-Feb2017/>

## **Steve Bannon carries battles to the Vatican**

New York Times

Trump's chief aide has connected with elements in the Roman Catholic Church who oppose the direction Pope Francis is taking them.

**More from [www.nytimes.com](http://www.nytimes.com)**

## **Pope and Trump may meet in May**

The Tablet

Vatican insiders say Francis and the president will meet when the latter visits Italy for the G7 summit.

More from [www.thetablet.co.uk](http://www.thetablet.co.uk)

## **In Middle East, some Christians are wary of Trump's embrace**

Washington Post

Many dislike the favoritism Trump shows to one minority group, which seems to echo sectarian tactics practiced by the region's own rulers for political gain.

More from [www.washingtonpost.com](http://www.washingtonpost.com)

## Christian Today

Report on the #Pledge2Pray video with the Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby (see above) released ahead of the Thy Kingdom Come global wave of prayer later this year. In the new video, Archbishop Justin says the most important thing he's done in his life is become a follower of Jesus. He asks viewers to join him, along with every Christian community around the world, in pledging to pray as part of Thy Kingdom Come.

## **Guard**

Reports that the Church Investors Group, which unites the Church of England and 58 related charities and organisations managing a combined £17bn, has written to the 350 biggest companies on the stock market to set out how it intends to vote at this year's annual general meeting season.

<https://www.theguardian.com/business/2017/feb/07/church-of-england-boardroom-pay-agm>

## **ITV**

Short report that congregations across the Diocese of Winchester have raised nearly £6,000 to help support refugees in Hampshire. The Bishop of Winchester made the appeal at Christmas. The money will go to the Red Cross who are working to resettle refugees in Dorset and Hampshire.

<http://www.itv.com/news/meridian/update/2017-02-07/churchgoers-raise-thousands-to-help-resettle-refugees/>

## **ITV**

Reports that police who work for York Minster are to be given the same powers as regular constables within the Cathedral's precinct for the first time in 80 years.

<http://www.itv.com/news/calendar/2017-02-07/york-minsters-private-police-force-given-powers-of-arrest/>

## **Times**

Reports that a Christian monument built of a million bricks, each representing a prayer said to have been answered by Jesus, is being designed as a landmark to rival the Angel of the North. A million people will be invited to pay £10 towards a brick and tell a story about their experience. The Wall of Answered Prayer is the idea of Richard Gamble, a former chaplain at Leicester City football club.

<http://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/donations-sought-for-landmark-prayer-wall-bbxnfgjrj>

## Christian Today

Report that LGBT campaigners have announced a letter writing campaign to members of General Synod asking them to reject the “take note” motion on the House of Bishops report on marriage and same sex relationships.

## **BBC Earth**

Feature article under the headline, “Religion can make us more environmentally friendly or not”.

<http://www.bbc.com/earth/story/20170206-religion-can-make-us-more-environmentally-friendly-or-not>

## Letters

**Telegraph:** Why blame Welby?

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/opinion/2017/02/08/lettersby-declaring-personal-views-donald-trump-john-bercow/>