



Prayer Diary November 2023

“With thankful hearts offer up your prayers and requests to God”

Philippians 4:6 [CEV]

Wed 1 st	Continue to pray about the situation in the Middle East. Pray that the Israeli hostages will soon be released and for aid to reach those in desperate need in Gaza. Give thanks for those seeking to find ways to bring peace and prevent an escalation of the war and pray that they will be successful.
Thu 2 nd	Pray for Claire Bedford returning to Chad today to resume her work at the Guinebor II Hospital. Pray that she will settle quickly and find new friends to replace those who have recently left Chad. Pray, too, for Cleopas in his leadership role in the pharmacy and the others working with him.
Fri 3 rd	Let us pray concerning the appointment of a families worker: that God will guide our leadership team as they go through the selection process and plan how the role will link in with that of others in the team.
Sat 4 th	Saturday Kitchen opens today. Please pray for a good attendance from families known to us, and also for new families to join us. Pray for God's love to be evident so that positive contacts and relationships are built up. Pray too for the cooks.
Sun 5 th	Let us pray today for the team leading the BRBK session this morning. Pray that the lessons given will encourage all who attend to grow in Christian maturity. Pray, too, for the group of young people who will meet at Marion Richardson's house this afternoon.
Mon 6 th	Give thanks that the 3 Bible Society teams in the Holy Land are coming together to pray for peace and to do what they can to bring hope in a desperate situation. Pray that their efforts in bringing humanitarian aid as well as providing God's word can bring encouragement to many.
Tue 7 th	Please pray for the students in our fellowship as they study for their undergraduate and post-graduate degrees. In their quest for learning and knowledge may they also know God's presence, calm and peace. These days there are many stressors placed on young people and they feel pressure and anxiety. Ask for God's care and grace to be sufficient to meet their needs .
Wed 8 th	Give thanks for the various prayer groups that meet from time to time to pray about specific issues or to pray for one another and pray that all who are part of such groups may be encouraged by seeing prayer answered. Pray for God to bless the on-line church prayer meeting this evening.
Thu 9 th	Pray for the Lunch Club and Craft Club that will meet today. Pray for the cooks, the drivers and all who help in various ways and pray that others will come forward to help on such occasions so that all who want to participate can have the opportunity of doing so.
Fri 10 th	A military coup in Niger has caused the withdrawal of foreign aid to this very poor country. The most vulnerable are suffering greatly. The Leprosy Mission is sending aid to the needy. Please pray that international aid will be reinstated and that the Wagner groups will not get a foothold in the vacuum.
Sat 11 th	Praise God that Cally has at last received the important document that the Eagle Project needed to renew their partnership with the Youth Prison. Pray for the on-going sessions to have a positive effect on all who attend. Pray, too, for Cally's son Ben as he is struggling with mental health issues and other challenges.
Sun 12 th	Give thanks for those who look after babies and small children in the Creche every Sunday and pray that others will come forward to help in this important service to parents who come to church. Thank God for the families who come and pray that they can encourage others to come.
Mon 13 th	Give thanks for all who come regularly to PMA and pray that those who as yet have not responded to the gospel message will do so soon. Pray for David Skipp as he shares with the group this afternoon.
Tue 14 th	Let us pray today for those of our fellowship who are unwell, awaiting surgery or undergoing treatment, that they will be conscious of God's love and care for them. Pray that they will feel supported by family and friends.
Wed 15 th	Justin Welby has said that 'It becomes ever clearer that climate change is the greatest threat we and future generations face. A true horseman of the apocalypse.' Pray for climate refugees, those caught up in climate-related conflicts, those suffering from extreme weather events, and those who face drought and food shortage. Pray for change.

Thu 16 th	Continue to pray for the situation in Ukraine, where hostilities are continuing. Pray that the war might soon come to an end so that there can be restoration and healing. Pray for wisdom, strength and perseverance for President Zelensky.
Fri 17 th	Let us pray today for Christians in the West African states who have recently endured a serious growth of extremist violence. Over 4000 people were killed in the first half of 2023 and many thousands have been displaced. Pray for comfort for those who are suffering and pray that the violence will stop so that all can live in peace. Pray, too, for Christians to remain strong in their faith.
Sat 18 th	Pray for preparations being made for the various special Christmas events next month both in our church and those being planned by Horsham Churches Together. Pray that they will draw many people to hear clearly the true message of Christmas.
Sun 19 th	Pray for all who will be participating in the services this morning, whether up front or behind the scenes and pray that we will all be able worship God from our hearts. Pray that any new to the church will feel welcomed and encouraged to come again.
Mon 20 th	Pray for our members of parliament whose lives are demanding and can be stressful both for themselves and for their families. Pray for God to watch over them and help them to lead with integrity.
Tue 21 st	On World Television Day in a world where darkness and violence seem to dominate our TV screens, give thanks that SAT-7 is broadcasting the light of Jesus into people's homes. Pray that this light of Jesus will bring light into the lives of many in the Middle East and North Africa.
Wed 22 nd	Pray that there will be a good turn out for the Church Meeting this evening. Pray especially for guidance as the election of deacons goes ahead. Give thanks for the deacons who have been serving during this year and pray for strength and wisdom for those continuing to serve and those newly coming on board.
Thu 23 rd	Let us pray today for the Horsham District councillors – that they will be given wisdom in the sometimes difficult decisions they need to make. Pray particularly for David Skipp in his role as Chairman of the Council.
Fri 24 th	Please pray for the Fairtrade and ethical Christmas market which will take place tomorrow 10-4 at St John's Church Hall on Springfield Road. Pray for all the traders and organisers. Pray that the fair will go smoothly and that many people will attend and buy their presents and cards in a way that promotes justice in trading and care for our world.
Sat 25 th	Nepal. Give thanks for an International Award in Berlin to Green Pastures Hospital for the project "Towards Zero Leprosy". The financial part of the award will help the project's work on early recognition of the disease, understanding in the community, self care, physiotherapy treatment etc.
Sun 26 th	Pray for the Horsham Churches Together Worship and Prayer service being held this evening from 6pm, hosted at Kingdom Faith Church in Foundry Lane.
Mon 27 th	Give thanks for those who host Coffee, Cake and Company each week and for the opportunity people have for meeting with others in a welcoming environment. Pray for those who will come this morning - that they will feel God's love and care for them and respond to it.
Tue 28 th	Give thanks for Horsham Matters and for all they are doing to improve the lives of those in and around our town who are struggling. Pray that they will get enough support to meet the increasing needs.
Wed 29 th	Pray for those of our fellowship who work for the NHS or in care homes – that God will give them to strength to carry out their work without it becoming a burden. Pray particularly for those who often work on a Sunday and are not able to regularly meet with God's people.
Thu 30 th	Give thanks for those who help us with catering in various ways – those who serve coffee after church on Sundays, those who cook for lunch club and Saturday Kitchen, those who help provide refreshments for special events etc. Pray that others will come forward to help where extra help is needed.